PETITIONS

From Sarah Alexander and Jan Rea, for the sale of certain lots Baltimore. A memorial from judges of the orphans court Queen-Anne's, for furnishing office with record books, &c. Fr Henry Hicks, that the state may linquish its right to a certain lot and lot in Annapolis. From Geo Calvert, of P. George's to make lid a deed. Severally referred

Leave given to bring in a supp ment to the act for incorporati the City Bank of Baltimore.

Mr. Bowles delivers the follo ing resolutions:

Resolved, That the legislature the commonwealth of Pennsylva be, and it is hereby requested, interpose its authority in such m ner as its wisdom and justice sh dictate, to prevent the employme or harbouring of runaway serv by the citizens of the said comm wealth, and to facilitate the reg ing them by their real owners.

Resolved, That the governor requested to transmit a copy of foregoing resolution to the Exec tive of the commonwealth of Pen sylvania, with a request that same be laid before the legislat thereof.

Read

The bill from the senate to a thorise Philemon Towson, and S bastian Graff to dispose of cert property, was read the second t passed, and returned to the sena

Mr. Hughes delivers an un vourable report on the petition Nimrod Owings. Mr. R. Dere a report in favour of John S. Be Read

Leave given to bring in a furth supplement to the act to regula and discipline the militia of th state

Mr. Duvall delivers a report the petition of William Ross, a armourer, referring his claim to governor and council. Concurr in

The clerk of senate delivers a for the relief of Samuel M'Clella passed. The bill to authorise t sale of the real estate therein men tioned, and the bill for the bene of the heirs of Benjamin Deford passed with amendments—agre to. The bill to incorporate t President and managers of the C verton Turnpike road—passed wi amendments. Read. And a b for the benefit of Sarah Clarkson passed. Read

Mr. Schnebly delivers a bill i creasing the capital stock in t Hager's-town Bank. Read

Adjourned

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Friday, Jan. 12.

PETITIONS

From Philip Spalding of Princ George's, to be compensated f loss sustained in the burning o house. From Matilda Drury, Calvert, for a divorce. From R bert Stevens, of Queen-Anne's, convey land. From Abner Bassi and others, for compensation f damage of a vessel by the mili during the late war. From Ma Pringle, of Harford, to repeal t act for extending Green-street Baltimore. Referred

Mr. Griffith delivers a report favour of Zadock Harvey. Read

The bill annulling the marriage Augustus Grahame, and wife, w read the second time and will n pass

Mr. Kilgour delivers a bill to corporate a company to make turnpike road from Monoc through Montgomery county, to Poplar Springs. Mr. A. D. Mitch a supplement to the act to ex persons conscientiously scrupul of taking an oath to serve as jur Read. Mr. W. Stewart a supp ment to an act respecting a mo ment or statue to the memory Washington; twice read, and P sed.

Leave given to bring in a supp ment to the act relating to sheri

The bill for the extension Pratt and Lombard streets in t city of Baltimore, was made the der of the day for Friday the 19t

The bill from the senate to al the times of holding the court of peals, and for other purposes, w amended and passed.

The clerk of the senate deliv the bill to authorise the making sewers in the western precincts Baltimore; the bill to lay out make public a road in Cecil coun and the bill supplementary to an to provide for the settlement claims arising from the past or ture employment of the militia, verally passed. The bill for benefit of the heirs of Benja Purnell, and the bill to make vali deed from William K. Clagett

Samuel A. Berry—will not pass. The supplement to the act for the benefit of the widow and children of Thomas Gibson—passed with a endments; agreed to. Also a fur her supplement to the act to estab ish a bank, and incorporate a com pany, under the name of The Elk ton Bank of Maryland—passed.

Mr. Hughes delivers a supplement to the act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road leading to Cumberland, &c. Mr. Stansbury a supplement to the act to extend Lisquith street in the city of Balti more. Read.

Mr. Hughes delivers a report unfavourable to the petition of Lu ther Martin, Esq. Read.

Adjourned.

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Saturday, Jan. 13.

The bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from or near Baltimore city, through Libertytown, to Hager'stown, was read the second time, amended and passed.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill for the benefit of James Lowell, with an amendment; dissented from, and the bill recommitted for amendment. A bill relative to the administration of justice, and a bill to authorise the sale of the real estate therein mentioned—passed—Read. A letter from John Brewer, register of land office for the western shore, relative to fees received in his office. Read.

Also the bill to pay the civil list for the year 1815—will not pass. And the following message:

Sent. of the H. of Del.

The senate have received the bill which passed your house, appropriating money in the treasury for the payment of the civil list, and other expenses of civil government, for the year 1815. Matters being blended with that bill which in their opinion are not necessary to such application upon the true construction of the constitution. The senate have rejected it upon the ground of its being in their opinion a money bill, andthat therefore the incorporation of such unnecessary matter is unconstitutional.

They hope, upon reconsideration you will expunge such objectionable matter; at the same time the senate wish it to be understood by your house, that they are perfectly willing to pass a law enforcing a faithful performance of the duties of the printer to the state. Read

On motion by Mr. Kilgour, the following resolutions were read:

By the House of Delegates,
Jan. 13th, 1816.

Resolved, by the House of Delegates of Maryland, Elected with a view to the present state of public affairs, that the want of firmness, energy & wisdom, which characterised the political conduct of the President of the United States in the progress of the late war, was only equalled by the folly, want of foresight, and disregard of the plainest rights and interests of the people of this country, which marked its commencement, and deserves our severest censure and animadversion; and that the prompt acceptance of a treaty containing a virtual abandonment of all the objects for which the war was professed to be declared, but too plainly shews, that the real causes and objects of it had no connection with our national honour and independence.

Resolved, That the blood and treasure exhausted in the late unhappy conflict, whether for conquest or glory, have left the people of the United States no remunerating benefit; and that, while with becoming patience and submission we bear the additional burden of taxation, thus imposed upon us by a course of policy alike ruinous and wicked, we entertain the liveliest fear and alarm for the future fate of this country, in the continuance in office of those who have betrayed the high trust reposed in them, and who, guided by an ambition selfish and unprincipled, only wait a like occasion to increase the weight of our burden, and to renovate all the miseries, dangers, and sufferings, from which we have lately escaped by the providential dethronement of the Great Tyrant of Europe, who so long banished peace, order and happiness from the world. By order,

LOUIS GASSAWAY, Clk.

PETITIONS.

From Samuel Frazier, of Harford, a revolutionary soldier. From Charity Dent, of Charles, for the sale of a part of the real estate of Henry Dent. From Zacharlah Maccabbin, of Montgomery, for a special act of insolvency. From Ann Wright, of Queen-Anne's, to be compensated for the loss of a tent, loaned to a company of militia. From sundry inhabitants of Cecil, for a road. From Mary M'Clearey, for a road. Referred.

Adjourned.

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Monday, Jan. 15.

PETITIONS

From George Bateman, a revolutionary soldier. From Henry S. Yates, of Charles, to bring slaves into the state. From John Witt, of Allegany, to correct a mistake in a lot. From Elizabeth Piles, of P. George's, for a support. From Negro Cate, of P. George's, to make valid a deed of manumission. From James Forrest, register of wills for St. Mary's, for the repeal of a law. From William Gould and others, of Kent, to sell the real estate of Joseph Woodall. From Sirah Nicholson, for a support. Severally referred.

Mr. Stoddert delivers a report in favour of George Bateman. Mr. Forwood in favour of Samuel Frazier. Read. Mr. M'Mahon in favour of John Witt—twice read and concurred with.

Mr. Duvall delivers the following report:

The Committe on the leave given to bring in a bill, to be entitled, An act for the encouragement of learning, and erecting schools in the several counties of this state, Report—that they have had the subject under consideration, & find, that as no fund has been appropriated for this all important purpose, except the appropriation under the provisions of the act, entitled, a supplement to the act, entitled, an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road leading to Cumberland, and for the extension of the charters of the several Banks in the city of Baltimore, and for other purposes; and as from the report of the treasurer there are no funds in the treasury unappropriated, they are sorry to say, it will, in their opinion, be impossible to organise a system during the present session. Your committee is, however, highly gratified in stating, that a small additional appropriation to the accumulating sum, under the provisions of the before recited act, will at an early period enable the legislature of this state to accomplish this greatest of all national benefits.

Your committee beg leave to submit the following order: Ordered, That the committee on the leave to bring in a bill to be entitled, An act for the encouragement of learning, and erecting schools in the several counties of this state, be discharged. By order

JNO. N. WATKINS, Clk.

Which was read.

The bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the Frederick and Baltimore turnpike road, to Harper's ferry, was passed and sent to senate.

The bill to make a turnpike road from the Baltimore and Frederick turnpike to the Potomac river near M'Shan's ferry, was passed and sent to senate.

The house proceeded to the second reading of the report of the committee on the order of the house of delegates relative to the printing and distribution of the laws and votes and proceedings of the last session of assembly, and after filling the blank with $ 1200. the same was agreed to—yeas 39, nays 23.

The bill for regulating divorces was referred to the first day of July next.

The clerk of the senate delivers the bill to lay out and open a road to Hughe's cowling ground; the supplement to an act to make a turnpike road through Emmitsburgh to Troup's tavern, the bill to open a road in Washington county, and the supplement to an act to lay out and make public a road in Baltimore county—passed. The bill to incorporate a company to make a turnpike from the village of Libertytown to intersect the Baltimore and Reister's-town turnpike at or near the west end of the town of Westminster, the bill for introducing a copious supply of water into the town of Emmitsburg—passed with amendments—agreed to by the house. The supplement to an act to lay out and make public a road in Queen Anne's county—passed with an amendment—read. The resolution relative to transmitting a copy of an act to incorporate a company to make an artificial road therein mentioned—assented to.

Mr. E. K. Wilson delivers an additional supplement to an act relating to negroes, and to repeal the acts of assembly therein mentioned. Read. Adjourned.

Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Mr. Vanhorn delivers a memorial from the president and Directors of the Washington and Baltimore turnpike road company, against the passage of the bill to make a straight turnpike from Washington to Baltimore. Read

The bill respecting last wills and testaments, was read the second time and will not pass.

PETITIONS

From the heirs of Martin Fisher, for the state to release its right in certain lands. From Benjamin M. Hodges and Wm. M. Lansdale, of the city of Baltimore, that a sum of money may be levied on Prince George's county, for tobacco shipped from houses belonging to them. From Thomas R. Hodges and Benj. Lee, to be compensated for attending a wounded militia-man. From sundry inhabitants of P. George's that Mary and Ann O'Neale may be supported. Referred

Mr. A. D. Mitchell delivers a report in favour of Abner Bassitt. Read

Mr. W. Stewart delivers a bill to widen a part of Bridge-street in the city of Baltimore. Read

The house proceeded to the second reading of the bill to make a straight turnpike from the city of Washington to the city of Baltimore—On motion, the same was referred to the next general assembly.

The clerk of the senate delivers the supplement to an act for the benefit of the heirs of William Ringgold—passed. The bill to lay out and open a road in Frederick county; passed with an amendment, agreed to. The bill to give validity to a deed of conveyance from the heirs of John Black to Benjamin Morton—will not pass.

Adjourned

TAX ON SHOEMAKERS.

Of all classes of the community, who complain, I look upon the Shooemkers, as being eminently and conspicuously singled out. It has not been attempted to be concealed, that the law regards them as a denomination of men disposed to cheat the government of the revenue levied upon their trade; its provisions are calculated accordingly. Every Shoemaker is compelled to expose to the eye of the collector, once in three months, the whole of his private business; to tell the names of his customers; how many he has; how many boots and shoes they wear; how much he charges a pair, &c. &c. and this minute and trivial species of intelligence he is not only to give, but to be at the expense of recording it all in a regular book, kept for that purpose, and to pay fees to the collector, besides. But this is not the worst of it: if he is unfortunate enough to have customers who fail, he must not only lose the whole of his property with which he has trusted them but he must pay the collector every cent of his tax upon the articles thus lost. Now this is not only *taking from him that hath not, that which he hath,* (by the bye, I never could understand this) it is not only executing a tax from the shoemakers, without rhyme or reason, but subjects them to the most insufferable servitude in recording every thing they do, in the course of their business, and then to the most degrading and humiliating task of shewing it all to the collector as proof that they are honest men and no cheats. If a Federal administration had dared to pass such a law, individuals who supported it, instead of meeting liberty polls erected here and there, would have been pelted with shoemaker's lasts wherever they went. *N. Y. E. Post.*

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12.

FIRE.

About 2 o'clock yesterday morning, a fire broke out in a part of the back buildings belonging to the Mint of the United States; the cause totally unknown. The machinery employed in preparing the Gold and Silver bullion for coinage, has suffered considerable injury; but little or no loss, either in the bullion or coins of the precious metals, will be sustained.

The front part of the buildings, containing the coining presses, the books and clerk's office, with the engraver's, and assayer's apartments, is uninjured.

The Director and other Officers of the establishment, tender their warmest thanks to the *Fire and Hose Companies* and other *vigilant citizens,* for their prompt and successful exertions, in extinguishing this alarming fire.

RICHMOND, Jan. 9.

MELANCHOLY CATASTROPHE.

On the night of the 1st inst. the dwelling house of Mr. Henry H. Burwell, of Mecklenburg county, was consumed by fire, and lamentable to relate, six of the family perished in the flames, viz. Miss Mary Burwell, the eldest daughter of John S. Burwell, Esq. of Franklin, then on a visit; the infant child of Mr. Peyton R. Burwell, who with his lady, are now in Gloucester; and four servant maids. Mrs. Burwell died on the next day and Mr. Burwell the day after, of the burns they received in escaping through the devouring element.

The fire was discovered about midnight, which seems to have commenced at the stair-case, and had made such progress as almost to cut off the possibility of escaping that way. Mr. Burwell did succeed in passing through the flames with his wife, but they were so severely burnt, as to sink under the affliction. The family were sleeping in the second story.—Miss Martha Burwell saved herself by jumping out of an up-stair window, and was caught by a servant woman—she fortunately received but little injury. Mr. M. Hepburn, also escaped in the same way and was much bruised. Fortunately Mrs. Burwell the elder and Miss Jane were from home, Mr. H. H. Burwell was in the 25th year of his age and had been married only three months.

London, Nov. 14.

CURIOUS FOX HUNT.

On Saturday last the hounds belonging to the Newry Hunt started a fox at Tamary. After a short chase, Reynard disappeared, having cunningly mounted a turf stack, on the top of which he lay down flat. Finding himself at last perceived by one of the hounds, he left his retreat, closely pursued by the pack. Being again hard pressed, he ran up a stone ditch, from which he sprang on the roof of an adjoining cabin, and mounted up to the chimney top. From that elevated situation he looked all around him, as if carefully reconnoitering the coming enemy. A cunning old hound approached, and having gained the summit of the roof, had already seized the fox in imagination, when lo! Reynard dropped down the chimney. The dog looked wistfully down the dark opening, but dared not pursue the fugitive. Meantime, whilst the hound was eagerly inspecting the smoaky orifice of the chimney, Reynard half enrobed in soot, had fallen into the lap of an old woman, who surrounded by a number of children, was gravely smoking her pipe, not at all expecting the entrance of this abrupt visitor. "*Emiladh deouil!*" said the affrighted female, as she threw from her the black red quadruped. Reynard grined, growled, and shewed his fangs; and when the sportsmen, who had secured the door, entered, they found him in possession of the kitchen, the old woman and the children having retired, in terror of the invader, to an obscure part of the room. The fox was taken alive.

State of Maryland, sc.

Anne-Arundel County, Orphans Court, January 9, 1816.

On application by petition of Sarah Aisquith, Administratrix of Edward Aisquith, 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 and Political Intelligencer, and one of the Baltimore papers.

John Gassaway, Reg. Wills,
A. A. County.

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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 Aisquith, 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 Samuel I. Donaldson in the city of Baltimore, at or before the ninth day of December next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 9th day of January, 1816.

Sarah Aisquith, Adm'x.

Jan. 18.

By His Excellency Charles Ridgely of Hampton, Esq. Governor of Maryland.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been represented to me by Arnold T. Windsor Esq. sheriff of Montgomery county, that on the night of the 21st of Nov. last, Charles Farthing who had been found guilty by the verdict of a jury of Montgomery county of stealing a bright bay gelding the property of Benjamin Stewart, and a certain negro man named George, the property of Thomas Johnson, convicted of a rape on Ann Keeth, broke the public gaol of said county, and made their escape. And whereas it is the duty of the executive in the execution of the laws, to bring all malefactors to justice, I have therefore thought proper to issue this my proclamation, and do by and with the advice and consent of the council, offer a reward of two hundred dollars to any person or persons who shall apprehend and deliver to the sheriff of Montgomery county either of the said persons and four hundred dollars for both. Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Maryland, at the city of Annapolis, this third day of January, eighteen hundred and sixteen.

C. RIDGELY, of Hampton.

By his excellency's command,
NINIAN PINKNEY,
Clerk of the Council.

Description

Negro George is between 20 and 25 years old, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, tolerably black. Charles Farthing is about twenty five years of age, six feet high, handsome, strong and active,

Ordered, That the foregoing proclamation be published eight times in the Maryland Gazette, Federal Gazette, Telegraph, Federal Republican, the Herald at Fredericktown, and the Easton Monitor.

By order,
NINIAN PINKNEY,
Clerk of the Council.

Jan. 12.

Forty Dollars Reward,

Runaway from the farm of the subscriber, on South river, in Anne-Arundel county, about the 21st of April last, a negro woman named Milly, of a dark complexion, about five feet six or seven inches high, stout and strong in her make, has large and thick lips, slow in speech, and mild and placid in her manner of conversing. She is 38 or 39 years of age. She has a brother by the name of Josh, formerly the property of Judge Chase, and at present I am informed in the possession of Mr. Philip Thomas, living on Thomas's point near Annapolis, by whom I have reasons to believe she is either harboured, or has been furnished with a pass, having understood that Josh can read and write. She has also near relations belonging to the estate of the late Daniel Clarke, of Prince Georges county. I will give the above reward if the said woman be apprehended in Anne-Arundel or Prince George's county, and $ 50 if elsewhere, so that I get her again,

Joseph Howard.

Jan. 18, 1816 tf.

Chancery Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the chancery court of Maryland, passed in the cause of Absalom Ridgely and Sarah Woodfield against George W. Higgins, will be exposed to public sale, at the residence of said Higgins, on Friday the 9th day of February next,

A tract or parcel of land called Duvall's Range, containing 281 acres more or less, lying and being in Anne-Arundel county. It is deemed unnecessary to give a further description of the said land, as it is presumed those who wish to purchase will view the same previous to the sale. Also will be sold at the same time a number of sheep and cattle, and two valuable negro men, one a carpenter and joiner, the other a cooper and sawyer.

Terms of Sale.

The purchaser of the land to give bond, with good security, to the trustee, for payment of the purchase money within twelve months from the day of sale, with interest thereon. The purchaser of the personal property to pay cash on the day of sale, or on the ratification thereof by the chancellor. On payment of the whole purchase money, the subscriber is authorised to give a deed for the same. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock.

Louis Gassaway, Trustee,

Jan. 18, 1816. ts

This is to give Notice,

That the subscriber of Worcester county, has obtained from the orphans court of said county, letters testamentary on the personal estate of Abisha Davis, late of Worcester county, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate, are requested to bring in the same, legally authenticted, and those in any manner indebted to make payment on or before the first day of December, 1816.

Jan. 11. *Mitchell Gray, Exr.*

To be Rented,

That commodious and spacious building on Church Street, formerly occupied by the late Mrs. Davidson as a boarding house. For terms apply at this office.