

COMMODORE PORTER.
The editor of the New York Enquirer has received the following letter from Commodore Porter.
Vers Cruz, Nov. 27th, 1826.
My Dear Sir,—As I had, by identifying myself and interests with the interests of this Republic, and so far as I was officially connected with the executive of the U. S. ceased to exist, it was but fair and reasonable to hope that I should be permitted to pursue undisturbed the new course which I had marked out for myself, particularly as since I have absented myself from the country of my birth, I have ceased to trouble the public with my grievances, being perfectly satisfied with the prevailing sentiment in the United States, with regard to my public conduct, and with the proofs of the estimation in which I was held in the two republics of Mexico and Colombia. But it appears that I am still to be pursued for some unknown offence. I am to be made the subject of animadversion of the friends of the executive of the United States and by the papers in its employ.
The paragraph I sent you taken from the National Journal, commenting on one in Coran's Clamption, does not state facts as they occurred. With respect to my interview with Mr. Adams and General Lafayette. This is the second statement which has appeared endeavouring to throw blame on me, and to excuse the conduct of Mr. Adams in that affair. On the publication of the first I was under great pain and do not contradict it, for fear of having my name struck from the list of the Navy. There is nothing now that should prevent my making the facts known as they occurred, which I shall do as briefly as possible.
I was invited by the son of Gen. La Fayette to call on his father, who he said was very desirous of seeing me. I expressed my doubts of the propriety of my going to the president's house, being then under arrest, and uncertain how I should be received, should I meet the president. He informed me his father had rooms, where I should see him without meeting any of the family. I then told him I should call on him the same evening. Mr. Dupont called on me, on the part of Gen. La Fayette, to know how I would receive any advances on the part of the executive towards a reconciliation. I told him it would afford me the greatest pleasure to be on good terms, but that I would not consent to be released from my arrest, for whatever offence I had committed. I was then told by Mr. Dupont that General La Fayette had set his heart on mending the breach between me and the executive, and as my son was on board the Brandywine, he wanted me to be invited to accompany him to the ship. It was, in fine, arranged that I should call on him at nine o'clock the next morning. About the hour I called with Lieut. Skinner, of the Navy, at the lodgings of Mr. Dupont, and proceeded from thence to the president's house; the carriage was at the door; we ascended the steps, and while in the act of ringing the bell, the president preceded by La Fayette came out. Not knowing whether General La Fayette would recognize me, I waited for an introduction, and in the mean time, pulled off my hat to Mr. Adams, and said distinctly to him, "Good morning, Mr. Adams." He looked me full in the face—his face became very much flushed—he rushed by me in a very scornful manner, and took his stand by the carriage door. It was some time before we got over our embarrassment & surprise. I was at length introduced to the general, who expressed to me great regret at what had happened, but invited me to call another time, which invitation I declined. He then observed, that the president (who manifested great impatience) was waiting for him, and he left us.
The evening after this meeting, General La Fayette informed several of my friends that on going into the carriage, the President informed him that his treatment to me was caused by a letter of mine in reply to an invitation from the citizens of Washington, which had appeared in that morning's paper, a circumstance of which I was entirely ignorant, and for which I was no way responsible. It is within the knowledge of thousands, that some of the very citizens who published the offensive letter, were in a few days afterwards, received with politeness at the house of the president.

This is a plain narrative of facts as they occurred, and for the truth of them I appeal to General La Fayette and the gentlemen who were present. Whether the conduct of Mr. Adams on the occasion was such as became the president of the United States, or any well bred gentleman, I leave the public to determine.
Yours with esteem
David Porter.

ARMY OF THE U. S.
By official documents communicated from the War Department, it appears that the army in November 1826, amounted in the whole to 5,809, including officers. In 1825, the militia of the United States amounted to 1,101,878. Thirty thousand stand of arms were appropriated to the militia 1824 and 1825, under the law of 1803, providing for the arming and equipping of the whole body of the militia.

MONSTERS OF THE SEA.
The following was communicated to the editor of the New-York Post by an acquaintance, who will vouch for its authenticity: Extract from the journal of the surgeon of a vessel recently returned from the East-Indies.
On our voyage out, in lat. 40. south, longitude about 20. east, we were surrounded for several hours by a number of sea monsters, of a description which neither the captain (who had been to sea for twenty years, and 7 or 8 voyages to India) nor any one on board was acquainted with, or had ever seen. They were a species of serpent, & carried their heads three or four feet out of water; their bodies appeared of an irregular shape, resembling a sunken rock, and were covered with barnacles; their tails were forked like a fish's and very large. We had a very distinct view of two of them, which approached us from a direction abeam of us, & without apparently taking care to keep the vessel off, being fearful of injuring her copper. They appeared to be thirty or forty feet in length, and at times moved through the water with great celerity. Some of them at a short distance off exactly resembled the representation, & their appearance generally was similar to the description I have seen of the sea serpent, which appeared on our coast some time since. They were eight or ten of them, and they continued around us from noon, when they were first seen, until dark.

Rollins' Ancient History
AND
Baine's History of the French Revolution (Quarto.)
The above works were some time since loaned to Persons, whom the Subscriber cannot recollect. Who ever may have them, will please notify him.
Jan 11, 1827
Jonas Green.

RESTORATEUR.
Charles Hanson,
PRINCE-GEORGE'S-STREET.
Begs leave respectfully to inform the citizens of Annapolis, that he has opened, and will keep an
Oyster House
DURING THE PRESENT SEASON at his dwelling in PRINCE-GEORGE'S ST next door to Mrs. Lucy Smith's; where individuals, or private parties can be handsomely accommodated with roast, stewed, fried, and raw oysters, also terrapins and wild fowl in season, sausage and beef steaks. All of which shall be served up at the shortest notice, and in the best style. He solicits a share of public patronage, and trusts that his assiduous attention to please the taste of his visitors, will entitle him to their consideration.
FOR SALE,
The best Philadelphia Porter, Ale and Beer
Jan 4
3w.

NEGROES.
Several healthy Negroes are wanted on hire by the year, from 18 to 25 years of age, to be employed in our Chemical Factory, in the neighbourhood of Baltimore. We shall expect them to be delivered to us in Baltimore, in good condition. None need be offered to us but healthy, able bodied men. Application to be made to us by letter
M. Kim, Sims, & Co.
No. 151 N. Baltimore.
January 4, 1827. 1f

Wanted to Hire,
A NEGRO WOMAN,
That can sew and cook. Apply at his Office.
S. H. Hall, Reg. Will.
A. A. County.

Lottery Office.
The subscriber having commenced the Lottery business in this City, pledges himself to dispose of Tickets and Shares on as reasonable terms as any office in this State, therefore respectfully solicits a share of public patronage.
THOMAS SWANN.
Annapolis, Dec. 9th 1826

DRAWINGS ANNOUNCED.
Swann's Office
Annapolis, Dec. 9th, 1826

HIGHEST PRIZE
\$10,000

THIRD CLASS OF THE
Grand State Lottery
Of Virginia.
To take place in the city of Richmond, on Wednesday, 24th of next month.
The Whole in One Day.

SCHEME.
1 prize of \$10,000 is \$10,000
1 prize of 5,000 is 5,000
4 prizes of 1,000 is 4,000
20 prizes of 100 is 2,000
20 prizes of 50 is 1,000
200 prizes of 10 is 2,000
200 prizes of 5 is 1,000
6,000 prizes of 4 is 24,000
6,446 prizes amounting to \$49,000
13,551 blank.
20,000 Tickets \$19,000
Whole Tickets \$3.00
Halves 1.50
Quarters .75
Eighths .37
To be had in the greatest variety of numbers at
SWANN'S OFFICE
Orders from any part of the United States, either by mail, post paid, or private conveyance, enclosing the cash or prize tickets in any of the lotteries, will meet the same prompt and punctual attention as if on personal application—address to
THOMAS SWANN,
Annapolis
Dec 11

Thomas G. Waters,
Begs leave to inform his friends & the public, that having enlarged his store he has received an additional supply of
Groceries, Fruits, &c.
Also a variety of
China & Stone Ware.
He has now and intends keeping on hand
Shorts, Oats, Meal,
Best Family Flour & Roll Butter.
His present supply of Butter, in quality, is not surpassed by any in this city.
He invites the attention of his friends to his assortment, and confidently believes he can sell as low as others for cash.
N B Groceries given in exchange for grain.
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Next door below Mrs. Robinson's Boarding House, Church Street.
The lovers of good things are respectfully informed, that Seguin will furnish them with all the delicacies of the season, prepared in the best style, and on the most moderate terms. Gentlemen may be accommodated with a single plate of Oysters, &c at any hour, and PRIVATE PARTIES can be accommodated at the shortest notice. His dishes will be served up in the neatest style, and dressed in any manner his customers may require. Confident that he can give satisfaction, and that those who favour him with one visit, will be tempted to pay him a second and a third, he respectfully invites, Citizens and Strangers, to try his *Suprior Cookery*, and judge for themselves.
Dec 28 4 if

December Term,
Anne Arundel County, Orphans Court, January 8th, 1827.
Ordered, That Thomas J. Hall administrator of Jesse Leitch, late of Anne Arundel county, deceased, give notice, by advertisements to be inserted in the Maryland Gazette and Baltimore Gazette, once in each of six successive weeks, to the legal representatives of the said Jesse Leitch, that distribution of the estate will be made under the court's direction on the second Tuesday in April next. In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy taken from the proceedings of the orphans court, I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of my office, this 8th day of January, eighteen hundred & twenty seven.
Thos. H. Hall, Reg. Will.
A. A. County. 2

Sheriffalty.
John Knighton,
Respectfully notifies his Fellow-Citizens of Anne Arundel county, and the City of Annapolis, that he is a Candidate for the office of Sheriff, at the election to be held in 1827; and solicits their suffrages
April 27. 1f

SHERIFFALTY.
Joseph Allein,
Respectfully informs his friends and fellow citizens of Anne Arundel and Annapolis, that at the solicitation of many voters, he is induced to offer himself as a Candidate for the Office of Sheriff at the election in 1827.
July 20

NOTICE.
ADAM & JOHN MILLER,
Respectfully tender their thanks to their friends and the public in general for past favours, and particularly request their attention to their large and extensive assortment of
Dry Goods, Groceries, Queen's Ware, Glass Ware and LUMBERS
all of which they will sell on the most accommodating terms, for as they are compelled to call on all those that are in any way indebted to them, for a payment of their accounts, on or before the 15th of September next, otherwise they shall bring suits on all accounts that have been standing over twelve months without any discrimination. They therefore hope this notice will be attended to, and relieve them from the disagreeable necessity of doing what is very unpleasant.
June 8 3w

Hirelings Wanted.
Wanted at the Alam and Coppertown Works, on the Magotho River, for the year 1827, TWELVE good HANDS, for whom liberal wages will be given payable half yearly. Apply at the Works, or to Mr. Joseph Sands, at Annapolis.
Nov. 2. 12 1f

Cabinet Making.
The subscriber, at his shop in Francis Street, one door above Mr. N. J. Watkins, and just below Mrs. Gambrell's Boarding House, respectfully tenders his thanks for the patronage afforded him. Having laid in a large assortment of Mahogany, and procured good workmen, he is prepared to execute work in the best and most fashionable style. He solicits a share of public favour.
He will likewise furnish and superintend

FUNERALS.
On the shortest notice, and most reasonable terms
He will also attend to the business of
UPHOLSTERER.
Jonathan Weedon
Jan. 12.

Sheriffalty.
The subscriber notifies his fellow citizens of Anne Arundel county and the city of Annapolis, that he is again a candidate for the office of Sheriff, and respectfully solicits their suffrages.
Benjamin T. Pindle.
Sept. 15, 1825. R

State of Maryland, Sc.
Anne Arundel County, Orphans Court
Dec 12, 1826.
On application by petition of Mortimer Dorsey, administrator of Richard Dorsey, late of Anne Arundel county, deceased, it is ordered, that he 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.
Thos. H. Hall,
Reg. of Wills, A. A. C.

Notice is hereby given,
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 Richard Dorsey, 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 19th day of August next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 12th day of December, 1826.
Mortimer Dorsey, Adm'r.
Dec. 16.

RAGS.
Clean Ekipen and Cotton Rags, will be purchased at the Store of the subscriber
C. SHAW.
Jan. 4, 1827.

ROBIN T. DISSNEY,
Woolen Draper, Tailor, and Habit Maker,
Returns his acknowledgements to his friends and the public, for the liberal support he has received, and respectfully acquits them, that he will continue to carry on the above business in all its various branches, at his stand immediately opposite Williamson's Hotel, where he invites those disposed to patronize him to come and examine his Stock of
GOODS
being assured they will not find them inferior to any in the City. He has just received the Winter Fashions (in print.) from Philadelphia, which can be seen by calling at his shop. A share of the public patronage is solicited.
Dec 28 4 if

Take Notice,
That I hereby forewarn all persons from hunting, with either dog or gun, on my premises, or crossing them with either cattle or horses, in any other way than the main road.
James Moss.
Dec. 29

Sheriffalty.
To the Voters of Anne Arundel County and the City of Annapolis
The subscriber having been solicited by many of his Friends, offers himself as a Candidate at the election for Sheriff in 1827, and respectfully solicits their suffrages. Should he be honoured with their support, he pledges himself no exertions shall be wanting on his part to give satisfaction in the execution of the duties of that office.
Thos. W. Turner.
Oct. 27

100 Dollars Reward.
Ranaway from the 30th of July 1826, from the subscriber, residing on Greenberry's Point, near the city of Annapolis, Anne Arundel county, and state of Maryland, a negro woman named MARY, about five feet 4 or 5 inches high, a dark mulatto. She has a wildish look when spoken to, and answers quick; the outside fingers and one of her hands, are somewhat drawn in, occasioned by sore. She has a large welt between her shoulder and her neck, which is about twelve months old. The above woman it is supposed has gone to Baltimore, having a mother, a free woman, residing in that place. The above reward will be given to any person who will deliver her, and her child, to me, if taken out of the county aforesaid and twenty-five dollars if taken in the county.
John W. Williams.
August 17, 1826.

The Editors of the Gazette and America, Baltimore, will insert the above once a week four weeks and transmit their accounts to this office.

150 Dollars Reward
Ranaway from the Subscriber, living on Kent Island, Queen Anne's County, on the 7th inst. the following Negroes, to wit:
SOPHIA ROBERTS, about five feet 4 inches high, and thirty-five years of age—She has a flat full face, with thick lips and small eyes; she stoops very much in walking, and is a little lame.
NICKEY MURRAY, about five feet 3 or 4 inches high, and 21 years of age—She has a round full face, with thick lips and sore eyes, one or both of them having been operated upon, and having the appearance of a fellow growing over them, looks down when spoken to, but answers with confidence.
MILLEY MURRAY, sister of Nickey, about 18 or 19 years of age, five feet 6 or 7 inches high—She has a round full face and bright eyes, and is an uncommonly intelligent likely girl, with a good person.
The above described negroes, had on suits of Linsey, of a blue and white stripes, but took other clothing with them. The above reward will be given, if taken out of the State of Maryland—and if taken in the State, and off the Island, 90 Dollars for the three or 30 Dollars for each—if secured on that spot again. If taken on the Island, 50 Dollars for each.
Kent Island, Nov 18 1826.

NOTICE.
Persons having BOOKS with the signature *Richd. Ridgely*, or *Edwd. D. Ridgely*, are requested to leave them at the Office of Wm. Kilty, esq. Dec 7 3w

An Overseer Wanted.
Wanted as an Overseer, a Single Man who has been accustomed to Farming, and can come well recommended for his honesty, sobriety, and industry. Apply to the subscriber, on the North side of Bayard, six miles from Annapolis.
James Mackintosh.
Sept. 25.

A bargain for Cash,
Valuable Woodland
FOR SALE.
The subscriber will sell at private sale, part of a tract of land called "Bartlett's Allotment," containing 217 acres, lying in Anne Arundel county, three miles from the Head of Severn River, and 18 from the city of Baltimore; 177 acres part of the above property, are thickly covered with wood, principally oak and hickory. The improvements are a log Dwelling House and kitchen, and a framed barn. The above property will be sold for cash, or on a short credit. Persons wishing to view the land can be shown by applying to Mr. Reynard, living on the premises, or to
WILLIAM GLASCO,
Annapolis, Nov. 30.

Sheriff's Sales.
By virtue of sundry writs of fieri facias, issued out of Anne Arundel county court, and court of appeals, and to me directed, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements, of George Plains, at suit of George Barber, surviving partner of John T. Barber, and Edward Pringle. I have seized and taken in execution, all the right, title, interest, property, claim and demand, of the said George Plains, either at law or in equity, in all that lot of ground lying in the city of Annapolis, with the improvements thereon, consisting of an excellent brick house, being the same property whereof the said George Plains now resides, and on Wednesday the 23rd day of January inst. at the premises, I shall proceed to sell the said property to the highest bidder, for cash, to satisfy the debt due as aforesaid. Sale to commence at eleven o'clock.
B. Welch, of Ben. Sheriff A. A. County, January 3.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of Anne Arundel county court, and to me directed, against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements, of Benjamin Owens, surviving partner of John Welch, at suit of Benjamin M'Conney, I have seized and taken in execution, all the right, title, interest, property, claim and demand, either at law, or in equity, of the said Benjamin Owens, in and to all that tract of land called "Roney lead," containing three hundred and fifty acres of land, more or less, also sixteen Valuable Slaves, consisting of Men, Women and Boys, ten head of Cattle, ten head Horses, Sheep and Hogs, one Ox Cart, one Gig, and Harnes one Waggon, and a quantity of Indian Corn, and on Thursday the 25th day of January inst, at the premises, I shall proceed to sell the said property to the highest bidder, for cash, to satisfy the debt due as aforesaid. Sale to commence at eleven o'clock.
R. Welch, of Ben Sheriff A. A. county.
Jan 3

Notice.
The quarterly examination of the Students in St. John's College will commence on the 10th instant. The senior class, prior to graduation, will be examined on the 11th, 12th and 15th instant, the examination to begin each day at 10 o'clock A. M.
The Governors and Visitors of the College, the Parents and Guardians of the Students, and all interested in the prosperity of the Institution, are invited to attend.
January 3d, 1827.

DECISIONS
OF THE
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THE DECISIONS OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND,
To be Reported by **Thomas Harris, Esquire, Clerk of the Court of Appeals, and Reverdy Johnson, Esquire, Attorney at Law.**
These Decisions will form a continuation of the first volume of Reports already published by Messrs Harris and Johnson, which closes with the year 1825. It is proposed to publish the Decisions in series of Numbers, each to contain not more than one hundred and twenty five pages, and four numbers to constitute a volume. The last number of each volume will contain a full and complete index. This mode of publication, it is conceived possesses advantages which give it a decided preference to that of publishing the Reports in bulky volumes. It ensures the earlier publication of the Reports, and as not more than four numbers will be published in a year, the expense will not be so sensibly felt.
TERMS.
The price for each number of the Reports will be \$1.25 payable on delivery.
Subscribers to the above Reports, may receive GEORGE HAWES'S Reports of the Court of Appeals, and the Reports of the Office of the Clerks of the Court of Appeals.
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