DREADFUL CATASTROPHE AT BRISTOL.

One of those awful visitations that seem to set at defiance all the calculations of human prudence, occurred in this city on Friday night. The story is one of such heart rending woe, such appalling misery, as to render most difficult the task of recording the horrible details. The alarm of fire was first made about half past 11 o'clock; the first notice appeared to be given to the public by Mr. Oxley, at whose premises, in Wine street, it occurred. There were in the house Mr. and Mrs. Oxley, an infant six weeks old, and a child about seven years, who were sleeping in the front room on the first floor; the shop girl and a child about four years old in the attic, and the servant maid with two others in the garret. The fire originated in the bed room on the first floor. It appears that a candle or rush-light was kept constantly burning, and from the smallness of the room it was necessarily near the bed. Mrs. Oxley had awoke with the intention of suckling her infant, and while the child was at the breast she fell asleep. It is feared that in moving the bed clothes she must have put them in contact with the candle. Mr. Oxley was awoke by a sensation of apparent suffocation, and found the bed in flames, and the room filled to the most suffocating degree with smoke! He first attempted to extinguish the flames, but without effect; and his face his hands, and arms, were dreadfully burnt. He then tried to rouse his wife, but if she was awake she must have fainted instantly.

Finding he could not rouse her, and losing his presence of mind from excess of pain, agitation, and suffocation, he ran down stairs naked as he was, and rushed into the street crying out for assistance. The flames in the windows had, by this time, collected some half dozen persons in front of the house: in reply to their questions, the unhappy husband and father could only exclaim, "Oh! for God's sake, save my wife, save my children, there are three at the top of the house!" He attempted to rush back into the house; but the moment he opened the door, the narrow staircase acted like a flue, and put the whole premises in one blaze of liquid fire; the burning element pouring out of every window reaching half across the street. Just previous to this moment the attic window was observed to open, and a young woman with an infant, four years old, both in a state of nudity, presented themselves to the view of the crowd, which was beginning to collect. They begged her to remain a few minutes till a ladder was brought; but so rapidly were the flames gaining on her, that in her despair she threw the child out: it fell on the lead that projects from under the drawing room window; a man rushed across the street to catch it; his arm broke the fall, but it rebounded to the pavement. It was taken up bruised, but not so severely as might be expected; it will recover. In a moment after the child reached the ground, the young woman was seen to throw herself from the window; she also fell upon the leads, and she was then caught by the people below; she is much bruised and cut about the head and legs; but she is doing well. The servant girl had escaped out of the back garret window, through Mr. Batten's house, taking with her one of the children The remaining three children, with the unfortunate mother, fell victims to the devouring element.

London Paper.

A LIVE LIZARD FROM THE STOMACH.

On the 27th November at Zlotoria, in Poland, a boy 8 years old, threw up from his stomach, with the most violent efforts, a live lizard, four inches long and an inch thick.

Notice is hereby given,

That the subscriber has obtained from the orphans court of Anne Arundel county, letters of administration on the personal estate of George Howard, of Brice, late of Anne Arundel county, deceased All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them for settlement, and those indebted are hereby called on to make immediate payment

Roderick Dorsey, Adm'r.
Feb 1. 3w*

The editor of the Baltimore Chronicle will insert the above 3 weeks and send his account to this office for payment.

In the Seminary
OF THE
MISSES DONE,

Baltimore, St. Paul's-street, four doors from Saratoga-street, east side.

Young Ladies are instructed in Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Grammer, Rhetoric, Geography with the use of Globes, Astronomy, Natural and Moral Philosophy, History and Composition The number of pupils is limited to twenty five.

TERMS—Boarding and Tuition, exclusive of Washing, 200 dollars—Day Scholars First Class, 50 dollars—Second Class, 40 dollars—Third Class, 32 dollars—Fourth Class, 20 dollars.

☞ French, Spanish, Italian, Music, Drawing and Dancing, taught by the best Masters—extra charges

REFERENCES.—Rt Rev. Bishop Kemp, D D.—Rev. F. W Waters, D. D. Rev Mr. Bartow—Dr. N Potter and Dr. A. Alexander—Hon Charles Goldsborough—Jos. [illegible]ly, esq.

Feb 1, 1827. 6m*

Public Sale.

By virtue of an order from the orphans court of Anne Arundel county, the subscriber will expose to public sale on Friday the 23d day of February instant, all the personal estate of George Howard, of Brice, deceased consisting of Household and Kitchen Furniture, several valuable Negroes, Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, and all the Farming Utensils A credit of six months will be given on all sums of twenty dollars and upwards, on the purchaser giving note with approved security, all sums under twenty dollars to be cash. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

Roderick Dorsey, Admr.
Feb. 1. 3w*

Sheriff's Sale.

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, Edward Priestly & Richard I. Jones, for the use of Adam & John Miller, and John Randall, I have seized and taken in execution, all the right, title, interest, property, claim & demand, of the said George Plains, either at law or in equity, to all that lot of ground lying and being in the city of Annapolis, with the improvements thereon consisting of an excellent Brick House, being the same property whereon the said George Plains now resides, and on Thursday the 22d day of February next 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 11 o'clock

R Welch, of Ben
Shff. A. A. County.

Feb 1. 1827.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two writs of fieri facias issued out of Anne-Arundel county court and to me directed against the goods and chattels, lands and tenements, of James M'Culloch, at suit of John J Donaldson and Ann Somerville, I have seized and taken in execution, one negro man by the name of Simon, one ditto named Joe, ten head cattle, and all that tract or parcel of land whereon the said M'Culloch lately resided called "Mitchell's Choice, Scorton & Burge," containing four hundred and fifty three acres of land, more or less, and on Friday the 23d day of February next, at the premises I shall proceed to sell the said property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to discharge the claim, to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy the debt due as aforesaid. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock.

R. Welch, of Ben.
Shff. A A C.

Feb. 1.

Notice.

The subscriber having obtained from the Orphans' Court of Anne Arundel county, letters of administration on the personal estate of John Brewer, deceased, all persons having claims against the said estate are requested to present them to him, duly authenticated, and all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment.

Nicholas Brewer, Jr. Adm'r.
Feb 15 tf

Runaway.

Was committed to my custody on the 20th of December, as a runaway, a negro man by the name of Bob, five feet five inches high, of yellowish complexion, about 20 years of age, who says he belongs to Robert Dobbin, on the Rappahannoc river, Westmoreland county, state of Virginia. Said fellow has no perceptible flesh marks, his clothing consists of a tarpaulin round a bout jacket, striped lindsey vest, blue cloth trousers, coarse shoes and stockings, and old wool hat. His owner is hereby notified to release him from jail, by proving property, paying charges, &c. he will otherwise be discharged according to law.

R. Welch of Ben.
Shff. A. A. C.

Annapolis, 3d January, 1827.

Miss Mary Cross,

Having taken the house lately occupied by Walter Cross, at the corner of Corn Hill street and Market Space, wishes to take a few female boarders. She will be very moderate in her terms Parents who wish to board their Girls for the purpose of schooling, may be assured that the strictest attention will be paid to them She will be much obliged to any person, who will be so kind as to favour her with the care of their children.

Feb 15. tf

Champagne Wine
AND
Brandy,

Just received, and will be sold at
BALTIMORE PRICES.
Also,
Butter, Whiskey, Raisins, Almonds, Coffee & Candles,
FOR SALE BY
F. S LITTIG.

February 15.

Public Sale.

By virtue of an order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, the subscriber will sell at public sale

On Tuesday the 27th day of February next,

If fair, if not, the next fair day thereafter, part of the

Personal Estate

Of John Duvall, of Marsh, late of said county, deceased, consisting of

Negro Men, Women and Children,

(amongst the number, one very valuable COOK) several work horses, cattle of every description, work oxen, a great number of plantation utensils, and a variety of other articles not necessary to enumerate.

TERMS OF SALE.

Six months credit will be given on all sums of and above twenty dollars, upon the purchasers giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale; for all sums under that amount the cash will be required

Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

THOMAS HODGES, Adm'r.
Feb. 1. ts.

To the Public.

From the very generous support I received from my friends and fellow citizens, at the last election for Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county, I am induced to offer myself a Candidate at the ensuing election, and solicit the suffrage of those friends, and the public, who so zealously and actively, used their exertions towards me Should I be the choice of the people, nothing shall be wanting on my part to give general satisfaction.

RICHARD IGLEHART.
Feb. 1. tf.

Annapolis Lodge.

Members of the Masonic Society, are informed, that the Annapolis Lodge No 71, will hold its meetings every WEDNESDAY EVENING at 6 o'clock, during the Winter season, and that their attendance is respectfully invited.

By order,
D Ridgely, Secretary.

Jan 25, 1827.

Public Sale
Of Personal Property.

By order of the orphans court of Anne Arundel county, the subscriber, as administrator of John Brewer, will sell at public sale on THURSDAY, the first day of March next, at 10 o'clock, A. M at the dwelling house of the deceased, all his

Personal Property,

consisting of five valuable young Negroes, four of them boys, a great variety of household and kitchen furniture, an extensive collection of books, among which are a complete set of Rees' Encyclopedia, and Niles' Weekly Register, an elegant patent lever Gold Watch, and several leasehold Lots in this city. The terms of sale are—cash for all sums under twenty dollars, and for all sums over twenty dollars, a credit of six months, the purchaser giving bond with approved sureties, bearing interest from the day of sale.

NICHOLAS BREWER. Jr.
Feb 14. ts. Adm'r.

In Chancery,

12th Feb. 1827.

Ordered, That the sale made and reported by Louis Gassaway, trustee. for the sale of the property in the cause of John Beard against Thomas Elliott, and Susannah his wife, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause be shewn to the contrary before the 20th day of March next, provided a copy of this order be inserted once in each of three successive weeks in one of the Annapolis newspapers, before the 12th day of March next.

The report states the amount of sales to be $414 00.

True copy,
Test. Ramsay Waters,
Reg. Cur. Can.

David Asher,
DENTIST,

Having met with much encouragement during his short stay in Annapolis, will remain there a few days longer; he may be found at Williamson's Hotel, or will wait upon those who desire it at their lodgings. During the ensuing summer he intends visiting other parts of Maryland, and can refer to different Members of the Legislature as to his skill in Dentistry.

Annapolis, Feb. 8

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. tf.

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
LUMBER,

all of which they will sell on the most accommodating terms, for CASH. 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 Alum and Copperas Works, on the Magothy 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. 7. ts.

Cabinet Making.

The subscriber, at his shop in Francis Street, one door above Mr. N J. Watkins, and just below Mrs. Gambrill'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

Oysters, Terrapins, &c.

SEGUIN'S RESTORATEUR.
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 *Superior Cookery*, and judge for themselves.

Dec 28 tf

JOHN T. DISNEY,
Woollen Draper, Taylor, and Habit Maker,

Returns his acknowledgments to his friends and the public, for the liberal support he has received, and respectfully acquaints them that he still continues 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 tf

Notice.

All persons indebted to the late firm of FLEURY & DUBOIS, will please to call and settle their accounts with the subscriber, who is authorised to settle the same; otherwise suits will be instituted at the ensuing April term, without regard to persons. The subscriber can always be found by persons applying at Mrs. Robinson's boarding house.

Edward Dubois.
Feb. 8 3w

Notice.

The Justices of the Levy Court of Anne Arundel County, will meet at the Court House in the city of Annapolis, on the third Monday in March next, being the 19th day of the said month, for the purpose of ascertaining and levying the expenses of the county for the year 1826.

By order,
William S. Green, Clk.
Feb. 8 R

Notice is hereby given,

That the subscriber has obtained from the orphans court of Anne Arundel county, short letters of administration on the personal estate of Rispah Gott, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate, are requested to produce them, properly authenticated, and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment.

Lewis Tydings, adm'r.
Feb. 8w

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 te.

GEORGE-TOWN,
WASHINGTON & ANNAPOLIS
Mail Stage.

The Proprietors respectfully inform the public, that they have procured new Post Coaches, and commenced running the route with three sets of horses, instead of two sets as heretofore, by which the stage will arrive in three hours less time than formerly.

The stage will start from the office, next door to the Union Tavern, in Georgetown, at six, and from the office next door to Brown's Hotel, in Washington city, at half past six o'clock, A. M. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays—Breakfast at Centreville, and passing through the town of Upper Marlborough and Queen Anne, arrive at Annapolis to dinner at three o'clock. Returning leave Williamson's Hotel in Annapolis at 6 o'clock, on Tuesdays Thursdays and Saturdays—Breakfast at Queen Anne, and arrive at Washington to dinner at 3 o'clock.

In announcing this arrangement, the proprietors assure the public it is their determination to keep comfortable stages, good horses, skilful, sober and attentive drivers, and to make every possible exertion to promote the comfort and convenience of passengers, and to render this line worthy of their patronage and support.

Fare through $4. All Baggage at the risk of the owners thereof.

James Williamson, & Co.
Jan 18 tf

RAGS.

Clean Linen and Cotton Rags, will be purchased at the Store of the subscriber. G. SHAW.

Jan. 4, 1827.

PRINTING

Of every description executed at this Office with neatness and despatch.

Coach and Harness Making.

JONATHAN HUTTON,

At his shop in West Street, just above the Farmers' Bank, still continues the above business His carriages will be made of the best materials, and every attention paid, in their construction, to unite in them durability and neatness. He respectfully solicits public patronage.

He has on hand a Fashionable

CARRYALL,
with
HARNESS,

To go with one or two horses—low for cash. Orders from the country will be faithfully and promptly attended to.

Feb. 8. 3w

Bridge at Hammond's Ferry,
On the Road leading from Baltimore to Annapolis.

The Subscriber has lately rented the Tavern and Farm, at the above mentioned place, situated about five miles from Baltimore, on the best road to Annapolis, and is now prepared to receive and entertain travellers on the most reasonable terms.

The bridge lately erected is firm and substantial, and the tolls moderate. The road is in good order and communicating with the lower counties of the Western Shore of this state, offers facilities to travellers hitherto unknown on this route. Persons disposed to travel this road will meet with every attention necessary to their comfort at this place, from the subscriber.

CHAS. STEVENS.
Feb 1 3w*

Sale of Land for Cash.

To be sold for CASH, at Public Sale, on Saturday the third day of March next,

TWO TRACTS OF LAND

lying on Severn River, five miles from the city of Annapolis, and contiguous to each other. The one called Fradsurn and the other Anglia Discovery, the two tracts contain three hundred and twenty acres or thereabout. John Camden, who lives on the land, will shew it to any person inclined to purchase. The sale to be at Mr. Hunter's Hotel. Mr. Richard J Crabb will attend the sale, and is authorised to receive the cash and will receive in payment good negotiable Notes, with two indorsers, payable and discountable at the Farmers Bank of Maryland. The sale to commence at seven o'clock.

Jan 18 Jeremiah T. Chase.

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 Wills
A. A. County.

DECISIONS
OF THE
Court of Appeals of Maryland
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By Subscription.

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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 1805. It is proposed to publish the Decisions in a Series of Numbers, each to contain not less 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.

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MR. CLAY.

The extract from Mr. Clay's speech in Congress on the subject of the direct tax, which we publish to-day's paper, will serve to show to our readers, the estimation in which Gen. Jackson was held by the Hon. Speaker, at that time.—His speech was made after the conclusion of the war. Strange, that with no additional lights to guide him, he should since, on a more important occasion, have denounced him as a "Military Chieftain, and dangerous to liberty."

St. Louis Enquirer.

The following is the extract referred to.

Extract from the Speech of Mr. Clay on the Direct Tax.

"Have we gained nothing by the war? Let any man look at the degraded condition of this country before the war. The scorn of the universe, the contempt of ourselves; tell me if we have gained nothing by the war? What is our present situation? Respectability and character abroad—security and confidence at home. If we have not obtained, in the opinion of some, the full measure of retribution, our character and constitution are placed on a solid basis never to be shaken. The glory acquired by our gallant tars—by our Jackson's and our Brown's on the land,—is that nothing? True we had our vicissitudes—that there were humiliating events which the patriot could not review without deep regret. But the great account, when it came to be balanced, thank God, would be found vastly in our favour. Is there a man, he asked, who would have obliterated from the proud pages of our history the brilliant achievements of Jackson, Brown, Scott, and the host of heroes on land and sea whom he could enumerate? Is there a man who could not desire a participation in the national glory acquired by the war? Yes, national glory, which however the expressions may be condemned by some, must be cherished by every genuine patriot. What do I mean by national glory? Glory such as Hull of the Constitution, Jackson, Lawrence, Perry, have acquired. And are gentlemen insensible to their deeds—to the value of them in animating the country in the hour of peril hereafter? Did the battle of Thermopylæ preserve Greece, but once? Whilst the Mississippi continues to bear the tributes of the Iron mountains, and the Allegany to her Delta and to the Gulf of Mexico, the 8th of January shall be remembered, and the glory of that day shall stimulate future patriots, and nerve the arms of unborn freemen in driving the presumptuous invader from our country's soil!"

JACKSON PAPERS.

New Paper.—We have received the first number of the Pennsylvania Argus, published at Easton. It is in favour of ANDREW JACKSON for the next President.

Another.—A paper has been started at Plattsburgh, called the "Times," conducted by Mr. Averill. It declares its preference for GENERAL JACKSON, for the Presidency.—N. Y. Enquirer.

MECHANISM.

Exquisite mechanism.—A watchmaker of Bayreuth has manufactured a cage filled with birds, to the number of sixty, representing parrots, sparrows, swallows, &c. each of which has the peculiar note given by nature. The cage is made of brass, and the wheels which make them move, and produce the sound are silver, the plumage is real. A person of distinction, it appears, offered the watchmaker $2,000 for it, but he will not take less than 60,000.—Lon. Monthly Magazine.