that had I been in his ſituation with ſuch ſuperior ſtrength, I would have beaten my adverſary, and aſked him why he did not fight? But to this queſtion I could get no anſwer. Frequently on our paſſage we came in ſight of a carriage, and as often as we did, Mr. Ellery gave orders to the ſtage to drive ſlower, for that he did not wiſh to come up with it, leaſt he ſhould have a ſecond engagement.—When we arrived at the middle ferry, we ſaw Mr. Rutledge's carriage at the upper ferry juſt boarding the boat, and Mr. Ellery obſerved, that he did not wiſh to croſs until Mr. Rutledge's boat had got to the oppoſite ſhore. After Mr. Rutledge's boat had landed, and his carriage was out of ſight, we croſſed the Eaſtern Branch, and drove to Tunicliff's tavern, and landed Mr. Ellery and his baggage.

Sworn to the eighth day of January, eighteen hundred and three, before the ſubſcriber, one of the juſtices of the peace, for Prince George's county.

Wm. MARSHALL.

[Here follows a ſecond affidavit to the ſame effect.]

STAR,

OR,

E'n. Shore General Advertiser.

EASTON, Tuesday Morning *January* 25, 1803.

The Waſhington papers, which we have heretofore been in the habit of receiving on *Saturday*, by the way of Haddaway's Ferry, has, from ſome unknown cauſe, been ſent from Annapolis to Centreville whereby we do not receive them before the *Monday night* following—which not only curtails our extracts the following morning, but renders perſonal labour doubly hard—we are unacquainted with Mr. Green's reaſons for ſuch a change.

The merchants and tradeſmen of Waſhington county, in this ſtate, are about making the currency of the Uuited States, of dollars and cents, their future mode of doing buſineſs—to commence on the firſt of April next.

We have received two numbers of the "Republican Advocate," printed at Frederick Town, by Mr. John B. Colvin, of Baltimore. From the complexion of the paper, we have to congratulate Mr. Thompſon, of the Herald, on the unpleaſant ſituation in which he is placed; now reduced to the neceſſity of accounting with his readers for near *ſix months hard lying*, under the inſpection of the *Advocate*—whoſe interrogatories we have no doubt will in a ſhort time bring Mr. Thompſon and his Herald in the important ſtation of "*private life.*"

Some of the eaſtern prints are of opinion that Maryland produces two of the "*ableſt editors*" ſouth of New York, to wit, *Prentiss* of Baltimore, and *Thompſon*, of Frederick Town—who would wiſh to excel thoſe two "*able editors?*—We are well convinced that there is not an editor in Maryland who envy them in their STATION. If the common *blackguard*, and low *Billingsgate effrontery*, compoſes an "able editor," we know of none who wiſh to aſpire to it in Maryland, except *Brown* of Baltimore.

The dwelling houſe of William B. Smith, Eſq. of this county, was conſumed by fire on Friday laſt—we underſtand that Mr. Smith was fortunate enough to ſave the greater part of his furniture.

We are, by the arrival of almoſt every mail, ſhocked with details of deſtruction by FIRE, in various parts of the union; and at the ſame time have to witneſs the helpleſs ſituation of the town of Eaſton, with more than one half of her *public pumps out of order!* Citizens of Eaſton, remember, that when the dreadful ſound of "FIRE" rebounds your ſtreets, it will then be too late to *inſist* on your commiſſioners having the pumps repaired.

EASTON FEMALE CHARITY SCHOOL.

We are informed that a ſchool was opened yeſterday in this town, under the direction of a number of ladies, who have aſſociated themſelves into a ſociety for the purpoſe of educating orphan children, and ſuch as the indigence of their parents will not admit of giving them ſchooling. To the promotion of ſo uſeful and benevolent an inſtitution, we place every reliance on the liberal patronage of the independent farmers of Talbot.

Meſſrs. Pechin & Frailey,

Having obſerved in a Baltimore paper called the Anti-Democrat, of the 22d December laſt, a malicious charge againſt General *Samuel Smith*, to wit. That during the election for preſident by the houſe of repreſentatives, General Smith had offered me a conſiderable bribe to induce me to vote for Colonel Burr.—I have conceived it due to General Smith and to the public, to declare, that no inducement or bribe was offered me by General Smith, but on thr contrary, in every converſation I had with him, he invariably expreſſed an earneſt ſolicitude for the election of Mr. Jefferſon.

JAMES LINN.

Trenton, 10th January, 1803.

[*Balt. Amer.*]

Extract of a letter of the 10th instant, from Lexington, Virg.

"I have now to mention a moſt unfortunate circumſtance: Waſhington academy took fire after ten o'clock laſt night, and is deſtroyed—Nothing remains but the bare walls. This muſt have happened, it is apprehended, from the fire taking from the top of the chimney, or otherwiſe communicated through ſome ſmall opening in the chimney to the roof. The library was chiefly ſaved; there is a conſiderable loſs ſuſtained in the philoſophical apparatus; the ſtewards were all in bed, and moſtly aſleep. The fire was diſcovered by one of them, who gave the alarm in time for all of them to get out ſafe, with the moſt of their property. The academy was fortunately inſured but ſix or eight weeks before the burning. The truſtees have it in proſpect to procure houſes in Lexington to anſwer the purpoſe; till the academy can be repaired, the improvement of the ſtudents will not be obſtructed.

Accounts received by the Bacchus ſtate, that a duel was fought at Leghorn, on the 16th of October laſt between captain M'Knight and heutenant Lawſon, of the United States ſhip Cheſapeake, which proved fatal to the former the firſt fire.

Of all the pretty, high poliſhed and DECENT productions which have been ſeen of late, nothing ſurpaſſes either in beauty and ſublimity of arrangement, or, *chaſtity* of expreſſion, the *heroic* poetry which appeared in gingling array in the laſt number of the immaculate Anti-Democrat:—We would recommend that Mr. Prentiſs print it on ſatin, in order that it may be framed, which would ſecure it a better chance of durability, and thereby be a means of perpetuating it for the benefit of poſterity; no doubt the patrons of that ſheet will duly appreciate its value; for they will certainly evidence the good ſuch pieces will produce in the *female* departments of their families:—they muſt ſurely have the *pleaſing* tendency of ſtrengthening the modeſty of the ladies, in ſuch a manner as to deſtroy that *embarraſſing* ſuſceptibility, which ſo often ſuffuſes the cheek of the delicate female with the glowing bluſh!!! In a word, ſuch compoſitions are calculated to render the *Anti*-Democratic ladies as obdurate to that ſenſibility which conſtitutes modeſty—as the *Anti*-Democratic gentlemen are to all ſenſe of ſhame!

[*Balt. Amer.*]

Extract of a letter from a gentleman of high reſpectability and ſtanding, in the ſtate of Ohio, to one of the members of congreſs, dated at Chilicothe, 24th December, 1802.

HON. SIR,

I received yours of the 2d inſtant, in which you requeſt to know if governor St. Clair did write the addreſs to the convention incloſed in yours. I aſſure you he did—and you may judge of the indignation I felt in hearing it delivered—but I have this day received information of his removal from office, and can aſſure you that the good people of this territory are highly gratified with the preſident's conduct. I think John Adams (meaning the late preſident) did the cauſe of republicaniſm more good by retaining him in office *contrary to the wiſhes of our citizens*, than I could poſſibly have expected, though I expected much from that circumſtance—my expectations are realized in their fulleſt extent. With reſpect to the news of this country I muſt refer you to Col. Worthington, who is ſent by the convention on a ſpecial embaſſy, and which I hope all our good friends in congreſs will patronize. Should he ſucceed in the objects of his miſſion, the affections of our people will be ſo firmly united to the preſent adminiſtration that the ſtate of Ohio will be amongſt the firſt of the ſtates of the united Americans to afford its almoſt unanimous ſupport; you may be certain in calculating on two republican ſenators and one repreſentative to the next congreſs, with three votes to Mr. Jefferſon as preſident at the next preſidential election, and there will be, *I believe*, no oppoſition to the election of a republican governor of any conſequence, as the character held up to view in ſeverol counties, ſtands on ground not to be diſputed.

FOX HUNT.

The hounds will go out at 10 o'clock, on Friday morning next, the 28th inſtant, from Mr. Lowe's tavern, to hunt a bag-fox. January 25, 1803.

Easton Dancing Assembly.

THE ſubſcribers to the Eaſton Dancing Aſſembly are requeſted to meet this day at Mr. Prince's Tavern, at 12 o'clock, in order to chooſe managers and make other arrangements for the ſecond Ball. Eaſton, January 25, 1803.

FOR THE STAR.

ANSWER TO EUGENIUS.

Poor Eugenius, thy fate is doom'd,
Not one ray of comfort can I aſſume,
Could I think that from your heart your paſſion ſlow'd,
I then ſhould in my anſwer, ſome comfort beſtow'd.
Your borrow'd lines is in metaphorical confuſion thrown,
At an object which will never be your own.
When expectation fills the mind,
Of ſomething which is far behind,
What hopes and fears alternate riſe,
Fear of a blank, hope of a prize.
Though hope, moſt often has the beſt,
And fills with coming joy the breaſt,
But ah! how fatal oft the ſcene,
When diſappointment ſteps between:
Each fancied bliſs, each hope is croſs'd,
And all is in confuſion loſt.

JOB'S COMFORTER.

MARRIED—On Sunday evening laſt, captain *Freeborn Banning*, to Miſs *Harriet Thomas*. both of this county.

[Nothing can be more painful to the editor of the Star, than that of productions, whereby private character is implicated, and has in numerous inſtances refuſed their inſertion; but the following he is induced to give a place, not from any knowledge of the parties, but from a firm deſire to appeaſe the wrongs (ſhould it be the caſe) of an injured female.]

To Charles S. Sewell, of Queen Ann's County.

TO addreſs you as a gentleman would be an act injurious to ſociety; and whoever may be credulous enough to ſuppoſe you one, will eventually find themſelves miſtaken: On the contrary, that you are the moſt *infernal* and *hideous villain* that ever diſgraced human nature, I will pledge myſelf to prove. The baſe ingratitude you have been guilty of towards your mother and me, has ſunk you ſo far in baſeneſs, that were you to be plunged into perdition, the devils themſelves would not aſſociate with you. What was your helliſh motive nearly two years paſt in endeavoring to allienate the affections of my wife, and promiſing to ſupport her if ſhe would ſeparate herſelf from me? This propoſition, you know, was at that time rejected with *contempt*. It is not difficult to develope the motives from which you have acted, and the principles by which you were governed. It is evident that nothing prompted you to that *hellish* act but a proſpect of poſſeſſing yourſelf of her property: You reaſon thus, "ſeparate my mother and her huſband, and I of courſe will be benefited by it." This at length you have effected, with the aſſiſtance of a female aſſociate of yours at Wilmington, who, it is *well* known, is an index to vice, the epitome of infamy, corruption and licentiouſneſs. It may be a conſolation to you, thus far, that you have been able to become a *villain* with *impunity*, under the protection of a voluptuous *ſcoundrel* of the law of Wilmington, for whoſe invidious conduct and unſolicited interference in my family concerns, I have long ſince publiſhed him as a *liar* and a *ſcoundrel*. This fann'd the flame of the fire that was kindled to deſtroy me, and a plan was formed by *him*, and executed by *you*, to confine me in New Caſtle priſon, where at *your* inſtance I was committed and remained for *thirteen weeks* in *cloſe confinement*, in the warmeſt and moſt ſultry ſeaſon of the year, the *yellow fever* raging in the town, and *involuntarily* ſeparated from that connexion, which in all the viciſſitudes, miſfortunes and evils, attendant on human life, is the only ſource from whence we ought to expect a hope for conſolation.—In vain you may aſſert your innocence, in vain attempt to juſtify your atrocious conduct—in vain attempt to deny the *ſlander* you circulated reſpecting my *wife* in order to effect our *ſeparation*. If you *dare* attempt to aſſert that I cannot prove thoſe facts upon you, I will publiſh certificates now in my poſſeſſion that will ſubſtantiate the charges beyond a poſſibility of doubt. Depraved muſt be your mind, and hell-hardened your heart, when you claim it as your only conſolation, that your property may be benefitted by it.——A gloomy and chearleſs futurity muſt be preſented to your view: the inſidious part you have acted will admit of no palliation: the infamous party you joined with will ever be execrated, and along with yourſelf ſink into eternal diſgrace, while *you* muſt ever be conſidered as a *blotch upon creation* and a *curſe upon ſociety*. And the virtuous part of the female ſex muſt ever behold you with abhorrence. You may be aſſured the time is not far diſtant when you will have cauſe to *curſe the hour* you commenced this *execrable career* againſt my domeſtic peace and happineſs—And for your refuſing to give me that ſatisfaction that an *injured huſband's wrongs* required, I proclaim you to the world a vile, infamous *ſcoundrel*, a *liar*, and a *COWARD*.

JOHN SOTHEREN.

Wilmington, January 21, 1803.

Wanted Immediately,

At the *STAR-OFFICE* an Apprentice *To the Printing Business.*

Chester Town Primary-School AND *Kent County Academy.*

THE Reverend JOSEPH DOUGLAS having purchaſed the houſe in Cheſter Town, in which the late Mr. MANSELL kept her Boarding School, on purpoſe to accommodate the ſchools he has in view, takes the liberty to inform the enlightened citizens of the State of Maryland, that a *Seminary* for the *Education of Youth* will be opened there on the firſt day of March next, by himſelf and his brother Samuel Douglas; and one or two aſſiſtants ſhall be employed as ſoon as neceſſary. The Syſtem of Education that ſhall be adopted in this Inſtitution is upon a plan, new in practice, upon the Eaſtern Shore at leaſt; that plan is perhaps beſt deſcribed by the name given to it above. The Gentlemen who will conduct it have the fulleſt confidence in the excellence of its regulations, and that their courſe of inſtruction is conciſe and expeditious, yet complete. But they readily acknowledge that they are entitled to claim only a ſmall portion of its merit. Their Inſtitution is *part* of a *plan* of an *uniform ſyſtem* of *National Education*, the outlines of which have been drawn by the Rev. Samuel Knox, of Frederick Town, in his ingenius "Eſſay on the beſt Syſtem of Liberal Education adapted to the genius of the Government of the United States." His excellent production obtained the *premium* of the enlightened and patriotic *American Philoſophical Society*. And the *General Aſſembly of Maryland*, at their ſeſſion of 1801, honored his academy, *conducted* upon *this plan*, with a *ſubſtantial proof* of their approbation.

The conductors of the *Cheſter Town Inſtitution*, relying upon their characters as men, and chriſtians; and encouraged by the very flattering approbation they have received in this county as teachers, the one for *two* and the other for *three years*; indulging, moreover the pleaſing hope that their humble endeavors will aſſiſt in carrying into effect a "ſyſtem of National Education" that muſt one day, and (it is to be hoped) will ſhortly attract the attention and obtain the ſanction of the enlightened Legiſlature of the United States; and not doubting but that the patriotic citizens of Maryland will be among the firſt to patronize an Inſtitution undertaken with ſuch views; humbly propoſe the following plan, viz.

The Seminary ſhall conſiſt of two Schools, an under, or Primary School, and an upper or Country Academy.

In the Primary School, Pupils of both ſexes ſhall be taught *Spelling* and *Reading* at three dollars per quarter; *Writing*, *Arithmetic*, and *Engliſh Grammer*, four dollars; and the *practical branches* of the *Mathematics*, eight dollars each.

According to the ſyſtem of Education alluded to above, their ought to be about ten other Primary Schools in this County, all uſing the ſame books, ſubject to the ſame regulations, and all of them, as alſo the County Academy, under the direction of a *County Rector*, or *Superintendant*.

In the Academy ſhall be taught the *Roman Languages*, in little longer than the one half of the time ulually waſted in a dull, uniform and tedious courſe.—And, beſides, as it ought to be the grand object of every teacher of youth to refreſh the faculties and enliven the genius, by gratifying the taſte for variety, which may be called the mental appetite, two hours every day ſhall be devoted to the learning of *Ancient History*, *Grecian* and *Roman Antiquities*; the *Element of Euclid*, *plain* and *ſpherical Trigonometry*, and *Algebra*, *Geograghy*, the *uſe of the Globes*, and *Aſtronomy*. And when boys are not prepared for theſe branches, they ſhall be indulged with two hours in the lower School, if required. The ſalary for the full courſe in the Academy ſhall be ſeven pounds ten ſhillings per year, and if Latin and Greek only are required, ſix pounds.

Four years are conſidered to be ſufficient to accompliſh the courſe in the Primary School, and as many as that in the Academy.

After finiſhing the latter courſe the Pupil will be fully prepared for college. In which (if it deſerves the name) he ſhould acquire a critical knowledge of the Latin and Grecian Claſſicks; learn French, Rhetorick, and Belles Letters, Logic and Metaphyſicks, Moral and Natural Philoſophy; the latter illuſtrated by a courſe of experiments, and its principles mathematically demonſtrated.

The man of ſcience ſhould complete his courſe in the Univerſity of the United States, in which a ſufficient courſe will yet remain to be taught: There lectures on the ſciences will admit of great minuteneſs. The experiments on Natural Philoſophy, and obſervation on Aſtronomy, will be ſuited to the magnificence of the National Apparatus, and the Mathematical Typo may follow his ſolutions in projectiles, fluxions, conic ſections, &c. through the trackleſs highways of the mental kingdom. This ſhort, imperfect ſketch being ſufficient, as a *hint to the public*, we return to the ſubject of our Advertiſement. Both Schools ſhall be called in at the ſame hours by the ringing of a bell, and ſhall be daily opened and cloſed with prayer, without preſuming to interfere with the creed of any church; each Pupil ſhall be taught the tenets of his own, and ſuch moral and religious inſtructions and rebukes ſhall, from time to time be given, as are approved of by all chriſtian denominations.

N. B. As circumſtances prevented the Rev. J. Douglas from examining his preſent School in December laſt, an *Examination* will be held on the *laſt Tuesday of February next*, when thoſe who wiſh for further information as to this Seminary, may be better ſatisfied.

☞ A genteel family calculated to accommodate Borders, will find a *houſe ready to be rented*, and *good encouragement* by applying within a month at the Academy.

Boarders are accommodated in town from thirty to forty pounds per annum.

Cheſter Town, (Md.) }
Jan. 25, 1803. }

☞ *The editors of newſpapers, throughout the United States, who may be diſpoſed to promote ſuch a plan of National Education, are requeſted to inſert the above.*

For Sale,

FOR a term of years, a healthy negro lad about 14 years old.—He is remarkably ſtout and ſtrong of his age, and would probably be very uſeful to a farmer. For particulars apply to the printer.

Jan. 25, 1803. 4

Notice.

ALL perſons indebted to the eſtate of *James Roſe*, late of Talbot county, deceaſed, are requeſted to make immediate payment; and all thoſe who have claims againſt ſaid eſtate are deſired to exhibit the ſame, properly authenticated, to the ſubſcriber for payment.

WILLIAM ROSE, Adm'or,
of J. Roſe, deceaſed.

Talbot county, Jan. 25, 1803. 3

Thirty Dollars Reward.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber living in Caroline county, ſtate of Maryland, on Saturday the 15th inſtant, a ſtout, well made negro man named ADAM, about twenty-three years old, five feet ſix or ſeven inches high, of a dark complexion—Had on when he went off a lead coloured ſailors jacket of a milled kerſey, lined with red flannel; dark mixed trowſers, red waiſtcoat, yarn ſtockings, and wool hat—Has taken no other clothes with him that is known; he has been employed as a ſailor for about twelve months, and will probably make for Baltimore or Philadelphia, having two brothers living in the latter place—No doubt he will be cautious in his rout, as he was affrighted off in my abſence by ſome malicious perſon through fear of being ſold. Any perſon apprehending the ſaid negro and ſecures him ſo that I get him again, ſhall receive the above reward.

WM. Y. BOURKE.

Denton, Jan. 25, 1803.

In Worceſter County, Orphan's Court, December Term, Anno Domini 802.

Eleanor Stevens, by George Roſſe, Eſq. Adm'r. de bonis non. } ORDERED, That the adminiſtrator advertiſe in the Federal Ark, at Dover, Delaware, and the Star, at Eaſton, for ſix ſucceſſive weeks, notifying the creditors of deceaſed, to attend and produce their claims, at ſome place in this county, within ſix months, for the ſettlement of their claims agreeable to law.

Teſt,

JAS. B. ROBBINS, Reg'r.

Iſſued 11th January, 1803.

Snow Hill Town, Worceſter County, Maryland }

PURSUANT to above order, notice is hereby and thereby given, that the creditors of Mrs. Eleanor Stevens, deceaſed, will conſider Snow Hill, in Maryland, as the place of my attendance for their production, to me, of their reſpective claims; and on pain of excluſion, they will not neglect or refuſe to comply in time.

Any perſon indebted to the eſtate of Mrs. E. Stevens, or having any of the eſtate in their (his or her) poſſeſſion, are hereby called on for the ſame; as I wiſh to cloſe my adminiſtration as ſoon as poſſible, and ſhall give no indulgence.

GEORGE ROSSE, Adm'r.
de bonis non of Mrs. E. Stevens, deceaſed.

January 25, 1803. 6

THE ſubſcriber having obtained letters of adminiſtration on the eſtate of *William Dimond*, late of Queen Ann's county, deceaſed, will expoſe to public ſale, at his late dwelling, near Centreville, on Tuesday the twenty-ſecond day of February next, all the houſehold property of the ſaid William Dimond, a very valuable brood mare, in foal by the celebrated horſe Bloſſom, and ſeveral very elegant blooded horſes. He will ſell the ſaid property on a credit of ſix months, but will make the terms of vendue more fully known on the day of ſale.

All perſons having claims againſt the ſaid deceaſed, are requeſted to produce them, legally atteſted; and all thoſe who are indebted to him, are deſired to make immediate payment, to

WM. MURPHEY, Adm'or.

January 25, 1803. 3

A quantity of Writing Paper,

For Sale at the Star Office.