## In Council.

ANNAPOLIS, May 16, 1805.

ORDERED, That the act to provide for the trial of facts in the several counties of this state, and to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the general court and court of appeals, be published twice in each week, for the space of three months, in the Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis; the American, Telegraphe, and the Federal Gazette, at Baltimore; the National Intelligencer; the Republican Advocate and Bartgis's paper, at Frederick town; Grieves's paper, at Hagar's-town; and in Smith's and Cowan's papers, at Easton.

By order,
NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk.

### AN ACT

*To provide for the trial of facts in the several counties of this state, and to alter, change and abolish, all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the general court and court of appeals.*

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That this state shall be divided into six judicial districts, in manner and form following, to wit: St. Mary's, Charles and Prince George's counties, shall be the first district; Cecil, Kent, Queen Ann's and Talbot counties, shall be the second district; Calvert, Anne Arundle and Montgomery counties, shall be the third district; Caroline, Dorchester Somerset and Worcester counties, shall be the fourth district; Frederick, Washington and Allegany counties, shall be the fifth district; Baltimore and Harford counties, shall be the sixth district; and there shall be appointed for each of the said judicial districts three persons of integrity and sound legal knowledge, residents of the state of Maryland, who shall, previous to and during their acting as judges, reside in the district for which they shall respectively be appointed, one of whom shall be styled in the commission Chief Judge, and the other two Associate Judges, of the district for which they shall be appointed; and the chief judge, together with the two associate judges, shall compose the county courts in each respective district; and each judge shall hold his commission during good behaviour, removable for misbehaviour on conviction in a court of law, or shall be removed by the governor, upon the address of the general assembly, provided that two thirds of all the members of each house concur in such address; and the county courts, so as aforesaid established, shall have, hold and exercise, in the several counties of this state, all and every the powers, authorities and jurisdictions, which the county courts of this state now have, use and exercise, and which shall be hereafter prescribed by law; and the said county courts established by this act shall respectively hold their sessions in the several counties at such times and places as the legislature shall direct and appoint, and the salaries of the said judges shall not be diminished during the period of their continuance in office.

II. *And be it enacted*, That in any suit or action at law hereafter to be commenced or instituted in any county court of this state, the judges thereof, upon suggestion, in writing, by either of the parties thereto, supported by affidavit, or other proper evidence, that a fair and impartial trial cannot be had in the county court of the county where such suit or action is depending, shall and may order and direct the record of their proceedings in such suit or action to be transmitted to the judges of any county court within the district for trial, and the judges of such county court, to whom the said record shall be transmitted shall hear and determine the same in like manner as if such suit or action had been originally instituted therein; provided nevertheless, that such suggestion shall be made as aforesaid before or during the term in which the issue or issues may be joined in such suit or action; and provided also, that such further remedy may be provided by law in the premises as the legislature shall from time to time direct and enact.

III. *And be it enacted*, That if any party presented or indicted in any of the county courts of this state, shall suggest, in writing, to the court in which such prosecution is depending, that a fair and impartial trial cannot be had in such court, it shall and may be lawful for the said court to order and direct the record of their proceedings in the said prosecution to be transmitted to the judges of any adjoining county court for trial, and the judges of such adjoining county court shall hear and determine in the same manner as if such prosecution had been originally instituted therein; provided, that such farther and other remedy may be provided by law in the premises as the legislature may direct and enact.

IV. *And be it enacted*, That if the attorney general, or the prosecutor for the state, shall suggest, in writing, to any county court before whom an indictment is or may be depending, that the state cannot have a fair and impartial trial in such court, it shall and may be lawful for the said court, in their discretion, to order and direct the record of their proceedings in said prosecution to be transmitted to the judges of any adjoining county court for trial, and the judges of such county court shall hear and determine the same as if such prosecution had been originally instituted therein.

V. *And be it enacted*, That there shall be a court of appeals, and the same shall be composed of the chief judges of the several judicial districts of the state, which said court of appeals shall hold, use and exercise, all and singular the powers, authorities and jurisdictions, heretofore held, used and exercised, by the court of appeals of this state, and also the appellate jurisdiction heretofore used and exercised by the general court; and the said court of appeals hereby established shall sit on the western and eastern shores for transacting and determining the business of the respective shores, at such times and places as the future legislature of this state shall direct and appoint, and any three of the said judges of the court of appeals shall form a quorum to hear and decide in all cases pending in court, and the judges who has given a decision in any case in the county court shall withdraw from the bench upon the deciding of the same case before the court of appeals; and the judges of the court of appeals may appoint the clerks of the said court for the western and eastern shores respectively, who shall hold their appointments during good behaviour, removable only for misbehaviour on conviction in a court of law; and in case of death, resignation, disqualification or removal out of the state, or from the respective shores, of either of the said clerks in the vacation of the said court, the governor, with the advice of the council, may appoint and commission a fit and proper person to such vacant office, to hold the same until the next meeting of the said court; and all laws passed after this act shall take effect shall be recorded in the office of the court of appeals of the western shore.

VI. *And be it enacted*, That all and every part of the constitution and form of government which relates to the court of appeals and the general court, or the judges thereof, or that is in any manner repugnant to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this act, be and the same is hereby repealed, abrogated and annulled, upon the confirmation hereof; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed so as to authorise the removal of the clerks of the respective county courts, being in commission at the time of passing of this act, in any other mode or manner than that prescribed by the constitution and form of government.

VII. *And be it enacted*, That if this act shall be confirmed by the general assembly, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directs, that in such case this act, and the alterations and amendments of the constitution and form of government therein contained, shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid, as a part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, any thing in the said constitution and form of government to the contrary notwithstanding.

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## Talbot County Court,

MAY TERM, 1805.

BENJAMIN WILLMOTT, *an insolvent debtor of Talbot county, having applied by petition in writing to Talbot County Court, praying the benefit of "An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," passed at the last session of the General Assembly of Maryland; and a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, being annexed to the said petition, as by the said act is requested; and he, the said Benjamin Willmott, having produced to the said Court the assent in writing of two thirds of the value of his creditors, as by the said act is required; and having proved to the satisfaction of the said Court that he hath resided in the state of Maryland the two last years preceding the passage of the said act:—It is thereupon adjudged and ordered by the said Court, that the said Benjamin Willmott appear before the said Court, at the Court house in Easton, on the second Monday in August next, to take the oath prescribed by the said act, and to answer such interrogatories as may be proposed to him by his creditors, and to do such other things as are by the said act directed; and that the said day and place be and are hereby appointed the time and place for the said creditors to appear and recommend a trustee for their benefit; and that the said Benjamin Willmott give them notice of the passage of this order, by causing a copy to be inserted in the Republican Star, printed in Easton, and one of the Baltimore papers, once a week for three successive weeks.*

*Test.* JACOB LOOCKERMAN, Clk.
Talbot County Court.

July 16. 3

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## Twenty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber, living in Talbot county, state of Maryland, a negro man, who calls himself WILL HOPPER, formerly the property of Mr John Singleton of said county, aged about 25 years, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, his clothing unknown. Whoever takes up said negro and secures him in any goal in this state so that the owner gets him again, shall receive the above reward, paid by

ROBERT SPEDDIN.

April 13, 1805. tf

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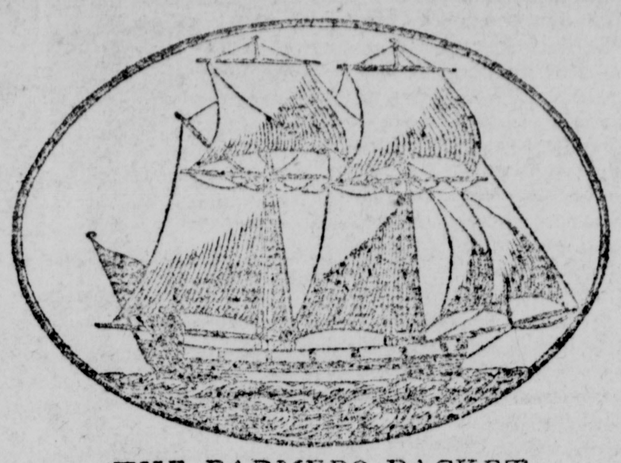
## Easton and Baltimore Packet, and Grain Boats.



THE FARMERS PACKET

WILL sail from Easton every *Wednesday morning* between the hours of nine and ten o'clock; and leave Baltimore every *Saturday morning* about the same hour.—The above mentioned Packet is new, sails fast, and in nice order for the reception of Freight or Passage. The subscriber has two other BOATS in good order, which will run with Wheat, Corn, and other Freights that may offer either from Choptank or Miles River, by a line or orders being left at his Packet-Office, Easton Point. Experienced and skilful Skippers are employed for the Grain Boats; and every attention shall be paid to the orders of his friends, and the public in general; and personal attention given to the Packet, by

The Public's humble servant,
*SAMUEL THOMAS.*

Easton Point, July 23, 1805. tf

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## Talbot County Court,

MAY TERM, 1805.

JAMES ROPER *an insolvent debtor of Talbot county, having applied by petition in writing to Talbot county court, praying the benefit of "An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," passed at the last session of the General Assembly of Maryland; and a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, being annexed to the said petition, as by the said act is requested; and he the said Jas. Roper having produced to the said court the assent in writing of two thirds in value of his creditors, as by the said act is required; and having proved to the satisfaction of the said court that he hath resided in the state of Maryland the two last years preceding the passage of the said act:—It is thereupon ordered and adjudged by the said court that the said James Roper appear before the said court, at the Court-house in Easton on the second Monday in August next to take the oath prescribed by the said act, and to answer such interrogatories as may be proposed to him by his creditors, and to do such other things as are by the said act directed; and that the said day and place be and are hereby appointed the time and place for the said creditors to appear and recommend a trustee for their benefit; and that the said James Roper give them notice of the passage of this order, by causing a copy to be inserted in the Republican Star, printed in Easton, and one of the Baltimore papers, once a week for three successive weeks.*

*Test.* JACOB LOOCKERMAN, Clk.
Talbot county court.

July 16. 3

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## Talbot County Court,

MAY TERM, 1805.

WILLIAM STEVENS, *an insolvent debtor of Talbot county, having applied by petition in writing to Talbot county court, praying the benefit of the "Act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," passed at the last session of the General Assembly of Maryland; and a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, on oath, being annexed to the said petition, as by the said act is requested; and he, the said William Stevens, having produced to the said court the assent in writing of two thirds of the value of his creditors, as is by the said act required; and having proved to the satisfaction of the said court, that he hath resided in the state of Maryland the last two years preceding the passage of the said act:—It is thereupon adjudged and ordered by the said court, that the said William Stevens appear before the said court, at the Court house in Easton, the second Monday in August next, to take the oath prescribed by the act of Assembly, and to answer such interrogatories as may be proposed to him by his creditors, and to do such other things as are by the said act directed; and that the said day and place be, and are hereby appointed, the time and place for the said creditors to appear and recommend a Trustee for their benefit; and that the said William Stevens give them notice of the passage of this order, by causing a copy to be inserted in the Republican Star, at Easton, and one of the Baltimore papers, once a week for three successive weeks.*

*Test.* JACOB LOOCKERMAN, Clk.
Talbot County Court.

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## The Subscriber

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends and the public, that he has taken a room in Mr. *Spalding's* Warehouse, No. 13, Cheapside, Baltimore, where he intends to give due attendance to receive and execute orders in the COMMISSION LINE OF BUSINESS, on customary terms. Gentlemen who will favor him with their business in that line, may be assured of the most punctual attention being paid to all orders they may be pleased to charge him with. He has the advantage of having the use of very extensive and secure granaries and warehouses under the same roof of his Counting room, for the deposit of all kinds of merchandise or country produce, (if markets should not justify a sale immediately on their arrival) which circumstance will enable him to attend more immediately to the preserving them in merchantable condition. Having for many years been in the habit of dealing in merchandise, (as also the different kinds of country produce on his own account) he flatters himself that merchants and others at a distance, will find an interest in favoring him with their orders when temporary supplies of goods are wanted, or in relying on his judgment and management in the sale of their produce.

*JAMES CLAYLAND.*

July 23, 1805. 8

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## Talbot County Court,

MAY TERM, 1805

JOHN VICKERS *an insolvent debtor of Talbot county, having applied by petition in writing to Talbot county court, praying the benefit of "An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," passed at the last session of the General Assembly of Maryland; and a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, being annexed to the said petition, as by the said act is requested; and he the said John Vickers having produced to the said court the assent of two thirds in value of his creditors, as by the said act is required; and having proved to the satisfaction of the said court that he hath resided in the state of Maryland the two last years preceding the passage of the said act:—It is thereupon adjudged and ordered by the said court, that the said John Vickers appear before the said court at the court house in Easton, on the second Monday in August next, to take the oath prescribed by the said act, and to answer such interrogatories as may be proposed to him by his creditors, and to do such other things as are by the said act directed; and that the said day and place be and are hereby appointed the time and place for the said creditors to appear and recommend a trustee for their benefit; and that the said John Vickers give them notice of the passage of this order, by causing a copy to be inserted in the Republican Star and one of the Baltimore papers once a week for three successive weeks.*

*Test.* JACOB LOOCKERMAN, Clk.
Talbot county court.

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## One Hundred Dollars Reward.

RUNAWAY from the subscriber on Monday the 8th inst. a negro man called PERRY, about 24 years of age, of a black complexion, and about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, stout and well made, and is of an obedient, humble disposition when spoken to. His clothing were a round over jacket and pantaletts of white country kersey, but am informed that he had and took with him some other clothing, and may change his dress and name, and may want to pass for a free man, as I am of the opinion that he has obtained a pass from some person or other. Whoever will take up the said negro and secure him in any goal and give me information so that I get him again, shall receive the above reward and all reasonable charges paid if brought home, by *THOMAS CECILL.*

Head of Wye, Queen Ann's county, April 16, 1805. } 3qifor6m

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## Fifty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the plantation of Mr. John Browne, in the neighborhood of Centreville, Queen Ann's county on Saturday the 25th ult. negro ISAAC, the property of the subscriber, living near Queen's-town, in said county.—Isaac is a remarkable short, stout fellow, very black, with thick lips and down look, about the age of 27 or 28 years; is thought to have gone to the city of Baltimore, where he has been several times; the clothing taken with him are chiefly linen of country manufacture. The subscriber will give 20 dollars for taking up and bringing home said runaway if found within the county, thirty dollars if out of the county and within the state of Maryland, if secured in jail so that his owner gets him again, and the above reward if apprehended and secured as aforesaid if found out of the state of Maryland.

*ELEANOR TILGHMAN.*

July 2 1805. 2m

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## One hundred Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY on the 21st day of June last from the subscriber's Farm on Wye river, a negro man named JIM WYE, or Jim Smith, aged about 32 years; he is a very black, smart, active, well-made fellow, about 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, with a broad face and fat about the cheek bones, but full towards the lower parts of his cheeks; I am told that he has a scar in his face, but as I never observed it, I cannot say that it is certainly the case. He is a good humoured, cheerful fellow, and complaisant when spoken to. If the above mentioned negro is taken up in this state, and safely lodged in the jail at Easton or Centreville, thirty dollars will be paid, and if taken up out of the state and secured in the jail of either of the above mentioned places, so that I get him again, the above reward shall be paid by

EDWARD COURSEY.

Wye River, Queen Ann's county, Md. July 23, 1805. } tf

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## Ten Dollars Reward,

FOR apprehending a man who calls himself WILLIAM BROWN, who borrowed a horse, bridle, and saddle of me to go to Oxford on the 15th instant, to see if (as he said) his trunks had arrived from Baltimore. He is about 22 years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, well made, and says he was born in London, short black hair, grey coat, buckskin breeches, and long boots; a dark brown surtout coat, with pockets at the breast.—The horse a very dark brown, four years old last spring, with short tail, and few grey hairs at the root of it and in his forehead—a scar on the front of his right hind foot—the saddle about half worn, with a hole in the seat of it. Whoever will take up said Brown, and horse, and secure them so that I get them, shall receive the above reward if in the county, with all reasonable expences, and fifteen dollars if out of the county.

MORDICA SKINNER.

*Talbot county, Md. July 23, 1805.* 3

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## Runaway Negro.

WAS committed to the jail of Frederick county, as a runaway, on the 28th day of last June, a negro man who says his name is BEN JOHNSON. He is about 30 years old; is 6 feet one inch high; and has a scar above his left eye. His clothes are one check and two linen shirts; one red cassimere and one striped jacket; one pair of blue, one pair of nankeen, and one pair of Osnaburg overalls; two pair of stockings; one brown cloth coat; two round about jackets with sleeves; and one fur hat. His owner is desired to release him, or he will be sold for his jail fees agreeably to law.

*GEORGE CREAGER*, Sheriff
of Frederick county.

July 23, 1805. 8

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## Runaway Negro.

WAS committed to the jail of Frederick county, Maryland, on the 19th day of May last past, as a runaway, a negro man named JIM, who says he is the property of a certain *John Chew Thomas*. He is about 23 years of age, five feet three inches high; has thick lips and long wool; his left hand and wrist have been considerably injured by a waggon. His clothes are, a striped gingham sailor jacket, a swansdown waistcoat, white cassimere small clothes, woollen stockings, an old fur hat, and a muslin shirt. His owner is desired to release him, or he will be sold for his jail fees agreeably to law.

*GEORGE CREAGER*, Sheriff
*of Frederick County.*

June 18, 1805. 8w

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## Ten Dollars Reward.

THE *above reward will be paid to any person who will deliver or return unto the subscriber* a BAY MARE *that was stolen out of his pasture on Saturday night the 22d June last—She is about 14 years old, fourteen hands and an inch or two high, with a full broad chest, and generally very stout and well built; walks, paces and trots pleasantly, and moves her limbs uncommonly straight and neat; has a very prominent and handsome eye, with a small star in her forehead; main bushy and tail pretty long, with black legs; she goes well and safe in a carriage, but unless curbed carries her head low, and has the hair rubbed off her sides by the harness; without shoes when stolen, and her withers very sear.*

*As the subscriber generally rode her under the saddle or drove her in the carriage in his journeys through the E. Shore of Maryland and Delaware for some years past, it is presumed many citizens have noticed and known her—They will much oblige by giving information, or securing her so that she may be returned to*

*ALEXANDER STUART.*

Kent county, Maryland, July 16 1805. } 3

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## Eight Dollars Reward.

STRAYED or stolen from the subscriber the 27th of June last, a large bright bay MARE, very broad across the breast, a short black mane and tail, two white spots under the saddle, a star in her forehead, and a small white stripe down her nose; she paces, trots and canters well, and is accustomed to going in the carriage. The above reward will be paid on the delivery of said mare, and all other reasonable charges by me

MARGARET RINGGOLD.

*Queen Ann's county, near Church Hill, July 16, 1805* } 3q

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## Cook Wanted.

A MIDDLE AGED woman of good character, who understands cooking and house-work in general, that can come well recommended, is wanted for the remainder of the year. Apply at the Star-Office, Easton.

July 9, 1805. 3

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## NEW STORE.

### *John & Thomas Meredith,*

HAVE commenced the Mercantile Business in this place, opposite the *Court House*, where they are now opening a well chosen assortment of

### Dry Goods,

suitable for the season, among which are

Superfine Cloths and Cassimeers,
Laced Cambrick Muslin,
do. do. Shawls,
Chambery Muslin,
7 8 and 9 8 Fancy Calicoes,
9 8 and 6 4 Cambrick Muslin,
Blens and Wowens Silk and Cotton Hosiery,
Irish Linnens,
German do. of all kinds, &c. &c.

With a general assortment of Groceries and Hardware, which goods being purchased for cash, will be sold at reduced prices for cash or produce.

Easton, May 21, 1805. tf

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Writing and Printing Paper
*Just received, and for Sale at the Star*