APOLLO'S FOUNT.

THE HARMONY OF NATURE.
A BALLAD.

WHILE women like soft music's charms,
So sweetly bliss dispenses,
Some fav'rite part each fair performs
In the concert of the senses.

Love great first fiddle of the band,
Each passion quells and raises,
Exploring, with a master's hand,
Nice modulation's mazes!

Till the wrapt soul, supremely blest,
Beams brightly in each feature,
And lovely woman stands confest,
The Harmony of Nature.

Hark! with the pensive in duet
The sprightly horn it mingles:
The Prude's the fife and the Coquette
The lively harp that tingles.

One boldly sweeps the yielding strings,
While plaintive t'other prates it;
Like Cæsar his to victory springs,
Like Fabius that awaits.

With various gifts to make us blest,
Love skills each charming creature:
Thus lovely woman stands confest
The Harmony of Nature.

Maids are of virginals the type,
Widows the growing tymbal,
Scolds are the shrill and piercing pipe
Flirts the wiry cymbal.

All wives piano fortes are,
The bass, how Old Maids thump it!
The bugle horn are Archers fair,
The Amazon's a trumpet.

With various gifts to make us blest
Love skills his favorite creature,
And thus sweet woman stands confest
The Harmony of Nature.

LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

(BY AUTHORITY.)

AN ACT

In addition to an act, intituled "An act regulating the grants of land and providing for the disposal of the lands of the United States, south of the state of Tennessee."

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That whenever any person who shall have received a pre-emption certificate, from either of the boards of commissioners, appointed for the purpose of ascertaining the rights of persons to lands in the Mississippi territory, shall, by a final judgment or decree of the highest court of laws, or equity, in which a decision could be had, within the said territory, rendered in favor of another person claiming by virtue of a British patent lose the whole or part of the tract of land to which he was entitled by virtue of such certificate, it shall be lawful for the receiver of public monies for the district where the land lies, to repay to such person or his assigns, so much of the purchase money as had been paid by him for the land thus received, by the holder of the British patent.

In all cases where only a part of a tract of land, to which any person may be entitled by virtue of a certificate granted by the commissioners aforesaid, is also claimed by the holder of a British patent, a patent may issue in favor of the owners of such certificate, for so much of such tract of land as is not claimed by virtue of such British patent: *Provided:* That he shall in every other respect have complied with the provisions of the acts of Congress, regulating the grants of land in the Mississippi territory. And the lands contained in British grants, which have been duly recorded in affirmity with the provisions of former laws, and for which certificates have not been granted by the commissioners aforesaid, shall not be disposed of until otherwise directed by Congress.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That persons entitled to a right of pre-emption to lands in the Mississippi territory, by virtue of certificates granted by either of the boards of commissioners aforesaid, shall be allowed till the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seven, to make the first payment of the purchase money of such lands: And if any such person shall neglect to make such first payment, on or before the first day of January, one thousand thousand eight hundred and seven, his right of pre-emption shall cease and become void.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That each of the commissioners appointed to ascertain the claims, to lands in the above mentioned territory, west of Pearl river, shall be allowed at the rate of six dollars for every day he shall atend, subsequent to the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and six: *Provided,* That such additional allowances shall not exceed five hundred dollars, for each commissioner, and the agent appointed on behalf of the United States for the said board shall be allowed an additional compensation of three hundred and fifty dollars for the whole of his services. And the register and receiver of public monies in each districts of the above mentioned territory, shall and they are hereby authorised, in their districts respectively and after the dissolution of the board of commissioners for their district, to regulate the location of any tract of land lying within such district for which a certificate shall have been granted by the commissioners, whenever it shall appear that the location specified in such certificates, interfere with each other or do not include the improvements, by virtue of which such certificates were granted: *Provided,* That the said register and receiver, shall not be authorised to allow any location on land not improved and settled, in the manner provided by the former acts of congress, regulating the grants of land in the above mentioned territory: nor to allow, in any case, a greater quantity of land than had been allowed by the commissioners.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That whenever it shall appear to the satisfaction of the register and receiver of the district, east of Pearl river, that the settlement and occupancy, by virtue of which a pre-emption certificate had been granted by the commissioners had been made and taken place, prior to the 30th day of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety eight, they shall be authorized to grant to the party a donation certificate, in lieu of such pre-emption; And the patent shall issue as in other cases of donation: *Provided,* That application shall be made for such an exchange, and evidence produced of such settlement and occupancy, on or before the 31st day of December next.

Sec. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That the right of the United States, to all the land lying between the front street of the city of Natchez and the Missisippi river, and bounded on the north by north Fourth street, and the land granted to Stephen Minor, and on the fourth, by the lands annexed to the old fort, and those granted to William Barland, be, and the same hereby is, forever vested in the corporation of said city, so as not to affect the legal or equitable claims of any individuals, or of any body politic, or corporate, if any such there be: *Provided,* That the said land, as above described, be neither cultivated nor occupied by buildings, but that it be planted with trees, and preserved as a common, for the use, comfort, and health of the inhabitants of the city aforesaid, and all other persons who may occasionally resort thither.

Sec. 6. *And be it further enacted,* That whenever the section No. 16, shall fall upon land already granted, by virtue of congress, or claimed by virtue of a British grant, the secretary of the treasury shall locate another section, in lieu thereof, for the use of schools, which location shall be made in the same township, if there be any other vacant section therein, and otherwise in an adjoining township.

Sec. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That Richard Sparks be permitted to enter with the register of the land office, for the district west of Pearl river, his claim to three hundred and twenty acres of land, lying within said district; and that Richard S. Bryan, and George Brewer, senior, be permitted to enter with the register of the land office, for the district east of Pearl river, their certificate of a right of pre-emption for three hundred and twenty acres of land, lying within the district last mentioned: And such entry of the claim of the said Richard Sparks, shall have the same effect, as if it had been made prior to the first day of December, one thousand eight hundred and four, and such entry of the certificate of the said Richard S. Bryan, and George Brewer, senior, shall have the same effect as if it had been made within three months from the time it was issued.

NATHL. MACON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. SMITH,
President of the Senate pro-tempore.
April 21, 1806.—
APPROVED—
TH: JEFFERSON.

AN ACT

To repeal so much of any act or acts as authorise the receipt of evidences of the public debt, in payment for the lands of the United States and for other purposes, relative to the public debt.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That so much of any act or acts as authorise the receipt of evidences of the public debt, in payment for the lands of the United States, from and after the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and six, be repealed: Provided, That the right of all persons who may have purchased public lands previous to the passage of this act, to pay for the same in stock, shall in no wise be affected or impaired: And provided, further, that there shall be allowed on every payment made in money, at or before the same shall fall due, for lands purchased before the thirtieth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and six in addition to the discounts now allowad by law, a deduction equal to the difference at the time of such payment, between the market price of six per cent. stock and the nominal value of its unredeemed amount, which market price shall, from time to time, be stated by the Secretary of the Treasury to the officers of the several land offices.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the commissioners of the sinking fund shall not be authorised to purchase any of the several species of the public debt, at a higher price than at the rates following that is to say: they shall not pay more for three per cent. stocks than sixty per cent. of its nominal value; nor for any other species of the public debt more than the nominal value of its unredeemed amount, the eight per cent. stock only excected; for which they shall be authorised, in addition thereto, to give the rate of one half of one per cent. on the said nominal value, for each quarterly divided which may be payable on such purchased stock, from the time of such purchase to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and nine.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That so much of any act as directs that purchases of the public debt, by the commissioners of the sinking fund, shall be made within the thirty days next ensuing after each day on which a quarterly payment of interest on the debt of the United States, shall become due; and also so much of any act as directs that the said purchases shall be made by open purchase, or by sealed proposals, be, and the same hereby is repealed.—And said commissioners are hereby authorised to make such purchases under the restrictions laid by the preceding section in such manner and at such times and places as they shall deem most eligible, and for that purpose to appoint an agent or agents to whom they may allow a commission not exceeding one fourth of one per cent. on the respective purchases of such agents.

NATL. MACON.
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
S. SMITH.
President of the Senate pro-tempore.
April 18, 1806—APPROVED—
TH: JEFFERSON.

Public Sale.

WILL be sold on Tuesday the 29th day of July next, if fair, if not the next fair day, on the premises at Easton Point Landing, on a credit of eighteen months for two-thirds of the purchase money, with bond and approved security, on the payment of one third down, the HOUSE and LOT of GROUND at present occupied by the subscriber, together with the SHIP-YARD, WHARF and other improvements on the said Lot, all new and convenient—the lot of ground fronts on the Landing road 50 feet, running back 222 feet, and fronting on the water 63 feet, at the end of the Wharf the water is from 5 to 7 feet deep, with the convenience of two public alleys leading to the Ship-Yard. This property will be sold in fee simple, and an undoubted title given, on the payment of the whole of the purchase money, with interest from the day of sale on two-thirds of it. Possession may be had by the 1st of October next of the whole, and of the Ship-Yard immediately after the sale.—The subscriber, will treat with any person wishing to purchase, at any time previous to the above day, and shew the premises.

On the same Day for Cash,

A VARIETY of *Household and Kitchen Furniture,* consisting of beds, tables, chairs, &c.—bacon, lard, pork, corn, and a variety of other articles—also, a complete set of carpenter's and ship-builder's tools, sets of blocks for taking in masts, &c. The sale of this property will continue from day to day, until all is sold.

☞ The above sale will commence at 11 o'clock, A. M.

JAMES STOKES.
Easton Point, June 24, 1806. 6

Land for Sale.

THE subscriber offers to sell a tract of LAND in Caroline county, containing about 250 acres, situate about two miles from Greensborough, and one mile from Whiteleysburg. About 200 acres of this land are in wood, and abounds with the finest timber for staves, ship plank, &c.

The terms of payment will be made easy to the purchaser, The subscriber also offers to rent his farm in Tuckahoe Neck, within a mile of Hillsborough. Application may be made to *Joshua Driver,* Esq. in Caroline county; or to the subscriber, in Wilmington, Delaware.

JAMES M. BROOM.
June 24, 1806. 6q

For Sale,

A LARGE convenient two story brick dwelling house, at present occupied by the subscriber as a Tavern, well calculated for the business, and being the only one kept in this place; three rooms on a floor, fire places in each, and cellars under the whole; a brick cook house adjoining, smoke house, &c. with stables, carriage houses, gardens, yards, &c.; a pump of excellent water at the door; the whole in good repair. This property is pleasantly situated, and stands immediately on the post road leading from Philadelphia through Wilmington, Dover, Milford, Snow-Hill, &c, to Norfolk. The terms of payment will be made easy to the purchaser, and possession may be had on the first of January next, or sooner if required.

SAMUEL WHITE.
Frederica, Del. May 6, 1806. 3m

SCHOOL BOOKS
FOR SALE
AT THE STAR-OFFICE.

For Sale,

A FARM containing upwards of 300 acres of land, 11 miles below Easton, and near the road from thence to Saunders' (formerly Akers') Ferry. About one half of this farm is arrable land, the residue in wood. A stream runs thro' the whole, which would be an excellent mill-seat; and a considerable quantity of meadow might be made at a small expence. A further description is deemed unnecessary, as it is presumed any person wishing to purchase would view the premises. Application may be made to John Ardry, who resides on the farm; or to the subscriber, who will shew the same and make the terms known.

WILLIAM THOMAS.
June 24, 1806. 3q—tf

To be Rented,

AND possession given on the 1st day of January next, or sooner, if required, that valuable and well-known STAND for public business, in Chester Town, Md. known by the name of the *Eagle Tavern,* fronting the Court-House and other public buildings. It is very convenient for business, with good stables and carriage-house. There are also on the premises, a handsome new store house, in good order, 20 feet by 30. The store house will be rented with the tavern, or not, as may suit. This stand has been occupied as a tavern for a number of years and has at this time a handsome run of business. There are three stages attending twice a week. No person need to apply, that is not acquainted with the business, and can give good security for the performance of his contract. For terms and other particulars, apply to the subscriber.

ISAAC CANNELL.
Chester-Town, Md. July 1, 1806. 4

N. B. All persons indebted to the subscriber, on bond, note or book account, are requested to make immediate payment. I. C.

List of Letters

Remaining in the Post-Office, Easton, Md. July 1, 1806.

JOHN ARMSTRONG; Thomas Abbot; Aaron Atkinson; Benjamin Anderson; Margaret Allen; Isaac Atkinson: Thomas Atkinson; Sarah Anderson, 2; Parker Adams, 2; Ann Aikers. B—Charles Brown: Mark Benton; Wm. Berry; Lewis Branchi; Mary Browning; John Berry; Tristram Bowdle; Perregrine Blake; Fanny Bordley; Thomas Bullen; Isaac Bailey; Francis Morling; William Brinsfield, 2; Rev. Francis Barclay; Rosannah Blades. C—Wright Callahan; James H. Caulk; Samuel Chamberlain; James Chambers; Thomas Cook; Severn Cocks. E—John Edmondson; Joseph Ervine; Adam Edgar. F—William Fountain; John Fisher; George Frick: William Frazier: Miss Henrietta M. Foreman, 2. G—James Goldsborough: Mary E. Goldsborough: Charles Gibson: Robert Hy. Goldsborough: Mathew Greentree, 2: J. Goldsborough: Nathaniel Gray: James Garnett: Henny Gerner. H—Elizabeth Hemsley: Wilson Hunt: George Hayward: M—— Harper: James Homer; Bryant Hooper, 2: Patrick Hayward. J Wm. Jenkins: Dr. S. T. Johnsen: Samuel Jackson: Perry Jackson. K—Edmund P. Kennaday: Rev. Dr. Keene: Cowell Kirby: Isaah Knowlton: Margarat Kirby. L—Wm. Lowrey, 2: Wm. Lowe: Alexander Larimore: J. Loockerman: Wrightson Lowe: Thos. Lloyd: Nicholas Loveday. M—Frances Mansfield: Josiah Millis: captain William Mackey. N—William Needles: Mrs. Nicolls: Matilda Nicols. P—Edward Price: Elisha Pelham: George W. Perrie: James Price: James Pursley: Abner Parrott: William Potter. R—John Roberts: Rev. Parson Rankin. S—Jas. Sherwood: William Scott: Rufus Smith: Stinson Williams: William Sherwood: Samuel Sherwood: Sheriff of Talbot county: John Surewond: Levin T. Speddin. T—Anna Maria Tilghman: Dr. Tristram Thomas: Alexander Talton: Richard Tomplin. V—James Veitch, 2: Samuel Vickars. W—Mary Webb: Thomas Wing: William Willsen: John Webley: Nancy Weaver; Abraham Willis: John Willis.

☞ Letters that are not taken up within the quarter, will be forwarded to the General Post-Office.

MARYLAND.
QUEEN ANN'S COUNTY ORPHANS' COURT.
June Term, 1806.

ORDERED, That *Robert Stevens,* executor of *Joseph McConnikin,* deceased, cause to be inserted in the Star, at Easton, for 4 weeks successively, the following advertisement:

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Queen Ann's county, letters testamentary on the personal estate of *Joseph McConnikin,* late of Queen Ann's county, deceased.—All persons having claims against the said estate, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 1st day of September next; they may otherwise by law, be excluded from the benefit of said estate. Given under my hand, this 20th day of June, 1806.

ROBERT STEVENS, *Executor of J. McConnikin, dec'd.*
July 1, 1806. 5

Notice.

THE *Centreville Jockey Club* is requested to attend at Centreville on the 19th July, for the purpose of fixing on the time of running, the sums to be run for, and particularly for the admission of members.

By authority of the Club.
June 24, 1806. 4

Baking & Porter Selling.

THE subscribers take the liberty of informing their friends and the public in general, that in addition to their *BAKING,* which they carry on in all its branches, on Washington-street, opposite the Bank, they have opened a *PORTER CELLAR,* next door to their residence, where gentlemen can be accommodated with Porter, Strong-Beer and Small Beer, on moderate terms.

WILLIAM MASON & SON.
Easton, June 24, 1806. 3

Notice.

THE subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Queen Ann's county, letters of administration on the estate of the late *Miller Starkey,* deceased. All persons indebted to the said estate, are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber; and all persons having claims against the said estate, are requested to bring them forward duly authenticated for settlement.

FRANCIS SKIRVEN, *adm'or.*
Chester-town, June 24, 1806. 3

To be rented,

The FARM in Dorchester County,

WHERE *Richard Martin,* formerly lived, near Cambridge, containing three shifts well improved, under a good enclosure—the improvements are convenient and in good repair. Possession may be had the 1st of December next. For terms apply to the subscriber, living in Talbot county.

THOMAS MARTIN, junr.
June 10, 1806. tf

To Rent,

FOR the ensuing year, the Dwelling House, out houses, garden and the lot adjoining the same, belonging to the estate of *Mrs. Dickinson.*—Apply to WILLIAM FRAZIER in Caroline, or to DAVID KERR, junr in Easton.

December 24, 1805. tf

Wanted to Purchase

A FEW likely YOUNG NEGROES of both sexes, for which a liberal price in cash will be given, if immediate application is made at Mr. WALTERS' Tavern, in Easton.

WILLIAM McGEHEE.
July 1, 1806. 3q

Wanted

A MARRIED MAN to superintend a large farm:—To whom a liberal salary will be given. None need apply without the best and most undoubted recommendations.

ROBT. HY. GOLDSBOROUGH.
Myrtle Grove, July 1, 1806. tf

One hundred dollars reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber, about the 26th of May 1803, a young negro man, 21 years of age, named *DANIEL,* about 5 feet 8 inches high. He stammers very much when spoken to.—When he walks he carries his head back uncommonly—His complexion is very black. Fifty dollars will be given to any person who will take him up within the state where the subscriber resides, and the above reward if he is secured out of the state so that the owner may get him. All reasonable charges will be paid, and every extra expence, to any person who will bring him home.

THOMAS HARDCASTLE, jun.
Talbot county, E. S. Maryland, June 24, 1806. 3q

Eighty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber, living in the city of Baltimore, on the 31st day of January last, a negro man named *FRANK,* alias, *FRANK BRICE,* aged about 25 years, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high; two of his upper front teeth out; a well-looking, smart, well-spoken fellow; rather slim made; has a variety of clothing, particularly a dark red coatee—he plays well on the fiddle. He was accompanied by his wife—she is a remarkable short, fat, likely woman—she says she is free, but is owned by *Archey Smith* of Baltimore. They stole and took with them some kitchen furniture, clothing, blankets, &c. Frank can saw with a whip saw, plough very well, and otherwise is an excellent labourer. Whoever takes up said negro man Frank, and secures him in any jail in the United States, shall be paid thirty dollars; or, for bringing and lodging him in Baltimore jail, so that his master may get him again without any additional expence, the above reward.

CHRISTOPHER HUGHES.

N. B. I purchased Frank of Mr. James Brice, residing in Early Hundred, Kent county, Maryland. He may be skulking in Kent or the next county—he was some time since seen near Choptank Bridge.

May 13, 1806. 2m

Twenty Dollars Reward,

RANAWAY from the subscriber, living in Dorchester county, Maryland, on Tuesday night the 18th of February last, a negro girl called *ALL,* but calls herself *ALLY WOOLFORD,* after the name of the gentleman who owns her father. She is about 19 years of age, 5 feet two inches high; a dark mulatto, well made, with very large breasts to her age; has a scar on her breast about two inches long; had on when she went away a dark striped kersey; but it is expected she will change her dress as she took other clothes with her. Whoever will take up said girl and deliver her to the subscriber or secures her in jail so that he may get her, shall receive if taken in the county ten dollars, if out of the county fifteen dollars, and if out of the state the above reward, with all reasonable expences.

JOHN MITCHELL.
April 15, 1806. tf