STAR OF

General Advertiser.

EASTON:—*TUESDAY MORNING*, JUNE 6, 1809.

We this morning complete the publication of the Laws of the Tenth Congress.

LONGIVITY.

The Eastern Shore has been considered as unhealthy—the best criterion by which to judge of the salubrity of a country, is the longivity of its inhabitant. The following instances occurring in a single family, will shew what foundation there is for prevailing opinion, concerning this part of the state—we publish them for the satisfaction of many persons who are desirous to settle among us, but been deterred from so unfounded a report. For although we find persons living to an advanced age in healthy climates, yet we should look there in vain for instances to be compared with these. Those persons reside in Dorchester county, where they were raised, and we are informed enjoy good health:

Jno. Mitchel, (the father) aged 99 years in August next.	
John Mitchel, son,	75
Mary Philips, daughter,	72
Richard Mitchel, son,	68
Aaron Mitchel, son,	66
Reuben Mitchel, son,	60
Zebulon Mitchel, son,	50
Total in one family,	490 y'rs.

On Friday last came on the trial of *Joseph James Harris Caulk*, before the county court in this town, on an indictment for the murder of *John Roberts*, which occupied the day, and until 11 o'clock at night, at which hour the jury retired, who in less that an hour returned their verdict of GUILTY. On Saturday, a little after 11 o'clock, the prisoner was brought into court, when Judge EARLE, pronounced sentence of Death.

It is not a little amusing to observe how arduously the opposition strive to persuade the public, that they are satisfied with the conduct of Mr. Madison since his ingress to the presidential chair. These gentlemen, well knowing the force of the axiom, that federal praise is republican censure, are determined, if possible, to effect by fulsome adulation, what the wrath of their presses have endeavoured for years to accomplish, but in vain. Mr. M. during the eight years of his secretary-ship as well as the preceding years of his life, has given the public the pledge of his political faith; he too well estimates the value of principle, to be diverted from the path of republican rectitude by the nauseous flattery of that party who infamously proclaimed him a *protege* of the emperor of France. The brightening sky which now gilds our political atmosphere, Mr. Madison has himself declared, to be accomplished by the measures of the preceding administration; but, not content with this his candid declaration, the opposition persist in their asseverations, with his message at the opening of the session staring them in the face, that he has diverted from the path trodden, as they say in gloriously, by his predecessor.

Upon weak minds adulation and flattery have their desired effect in due season; but time, which has wrinkled his visage with age, and furrowed his brow with the cares of state, has given us sufficient proofs, that the statesman, whom a free people has elevated to the highest honors in the gift of a free and independent nation, is not so easy to become the victim of false friendship and hollow-hearted professions.

Balt. Amer.

Philadelphia, May 31.

We are happy to be able to state that the schr. Favorite from St Jago de Cuba, contradicts the report, in our paper of yesterday, of a massacre of the French at that place.—Forty passengers came out in the Favorite.

A letter from the Havanna of the 6 h instant states, that the St. Paulo, Man of War, was to sail immediately from La Vera Cruz for Cadiz, with Eleven Millions of Dollars, on account of Fernando Septimo.

Advices from the Canary Islands state that all the regular troops and militia that could be spared, were embarking for Cadiz.

COUNTERFEITS.

We have seen one of the One Dollar Farmers' Bank Notes, some time since noticed by us as having been clumsily altered to a *Ten*. This note is of the *Frederick Branch*, and is easily detected. The paper is inferior; the body of the note, in addition to marks of violence, exhibits the absurd reading of "TEN dollar," the s omitted for want of space in which to place it.

A person was yesterday committed, for attempting to pass *gilt* ten cents pieces for quarter eagles.—[*Fed. Gaz.*]

LETTER.

FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY DEPARTMENT, May 24.

SIR,—I have the honor of transmitting to you herewith, to be laid before the House of Representatives, the enclosed paper marked A, which will afford a general view of the state and disposition, at this time, of the vessels belonging to the navy of the U. States, and of the gun boats.

It appears proper here to observe, for the information of the House of Representatives, that the frigates Constitution and Chesapeake, the ship Wasp the brigs Hornet and Argus, and the schrs Revenge and Enterprize were in commission prior to the passage of the act, entitled "An act authorising the employment of an additional naval force," passed 31st Jan. 1809; and that the frigates President, U. States and Essex, corvette John Adams, the brigs Siren, Vixen and Nautilus, and the cutter Ferret, have been put in commission since the passing of that law, agreeably to its provisions; that the Frigate U. States and Essex, and the corvette John Adams have had such thorough repair and improvements, that practical gentlemen pronounce them to be, at this time, better and more efficient vessels than they were when originally launched; and that the frigates President is now undergoing a thorough repair which is nearly completed, and being repaired under the advantages afforded by extensive experience, she will be in all respects, greatly superior to what she was when first launched. Respectly submitted.

PAUL HAMILTON.

The Hon. Jos. B. Varnum, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(A.)

EXHIBIT, shewing the state and disposition at this time, of the vessels belonging to the navy of the U. States and of the gun boats.

Frigates Constitution at New York, U. States at Norfolk Chesapeake at Boston, Essex at Norfolk—Officered manned, victualled, and in other respects prepared for service.

Corvette John Adams, at Baltimore—officered, and nearly manned and prepared.

Frigate President at Washington—officered, and nearly manned—will be ready for service, in July.

Ship Wash at Philadelphia; brigs Hornet at Norfolk, Argus at N. York; Siren gone to France, Vixen at Charleston; schooner Revenge at New York—In all respects prepared for service.

Schooner Enterprize at Norfolk—officered, victualled, and completely repaired, and nearly manned.

Brig Nautilus and cutter Ferret, at Washinghton—preparing for service, but recruiting orders not issued.

Frigates Congress, Constellation, N. York, Adams, and Boston, at the Navy Yard Washington—require repairs.

GUN BOATS.—24 gun boats at New Orleans—order given to reduce their crews to the number required for their navigation and safety.

13 gun boats at Charleston, 21 at Norfolk, 10 at Baltimore, 20 at Philadelphia, 52 at New York, 2 at Westerly, R. I. 2 at Norwich, Ct. 4 at Wilmington, N. C. 1 at Boston, 9 at Portland, Maine, 1 on Lake Ontario, 2 on Lake Champlain—In ordinary.

9 gun boats at Washington—in the yard, without expence.

For the Star.

Having seen, Mr. Smith, in looking over the "MONITOR;" the satires of the magnanimous counsellors of "*Tim Twist*," I beg the insertion of a few words in reply:—Although I despair of being able to cope with them, so learned are their essays, and so nicely are arguments distinguished from sentiments. The works of Horace himself will soon become obsolete, provided "Tim" and company continue to make the "Monitor" the depository of their "sharp-toothed ridicule."

Where have those radient geniuses so long slept, that they have never come forward till 1809? Memorable epoch! Why, surely they are some supernatural Beings, just fallen from the clouds, to conduct their party safe to the merited shades of obscurity.

Those luminous productions are very much alike, and I doubt not but they were written by the same hand. But however I shall proceed to treat this Camelion according to his different signatures.——"Guess Who" remarks that "*Old Norval must be very unhappy in Norval, for he is sure they are father and son.*" Ah Guessy! you differ then from your friend "Tim." Nevertheless you guess very well, and I think your father (if you ever had one, which I am disposed to question) must have been very happy in the poetical abilities of his son Guess. What a pity it is that you did not sooner apply yourself to poetry, instead of learning to prescribe bitter draughts to your unfortunate neighbours.

It is also a great misfortune to you Mr. "Careless," that you were born in America, where even the "*sweet scented Adonis*," (as you are pleased to term him) has, with impunity the privilege nay "arrogance" to ask you a literary question;—and where a man cannot cowskin his neighbour without running a great risque of having his "*head wrung off.*" It is much better, I assure you, to use the "goose quill," than this dangerous weapon; especially when hid in the shades of the poplars of "*Point-no-point harbor.*"

As for you, friend "Quiz," I shall pass over with a very few remarks; for you, I imagine, are a well grown "biped," and it will not be safe for me, while in the "gristly state," to provoke you. I have been informed that in vindication of a little quadruped, that with such force do you hurl brick-bats, that innocent and unwary spectators have been in great danger of having their brains knocked out.

I have been told, Mr. Smith, that these pensmen are trying to write as if they did not know how. Amazing! Is it possible for men to write better?—I think myself highly honoured to be taken notice of by such immortal heroes.

I now take my leave of the public, and those diabolical conjurers, assuring the latter, that their future productions shall "pass by me as the idle wind, which I respect not."

It is an established maxim, "to treat a fool according to his folly." This has been my object, though a very disagreeable one. NORVAL.

Q. A. C.

TO THE PUBLIC.

The friends of the late unfortunate *J. Roberts*, having circulated a report that I acted improperly as a Justice of the Peace, with respect to the commitment of *James Caulk*, I beg leave for the information of the public, to subjoin the following certificate, to exculpate my character from so groundless an aspersion.

WM. E. SETH.

Head of Wye, Talbot county, June 2, 1809.

TALBOT COUNTY, TO WIT:

To all whom it may concern. I do hereby certify, that I acted as a Justice of the Peace with Dr. Wm. E. Seth, in the examination of witnesses on the case of *James Caulk*, who was brought before us for the murder of *John Roberts*; and that during the whole of the time, the doctor acted with the strictest impartiality and justice: and as a man of honor; that when captain Weyman was giving in his testimony, he, (Weyman) showed an improper warmth, and left the subject; upon which Jacob Gibson attempted to reply, when Dr. Seth called to order, and insisted peremptorily on order—that he never expressed an opinion to me that the case would admit of bail; and as soon as the room was cleared, he sat down and wrote a mittimus.

Given under my hand, this second day of June, 1809. J. NABB.

BY AUTHORITY.

ELEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES—FIRST SESSION.

AN ACT

Respecting the Ships or Vessels owned by citizens or subjects of foreign nations, with which commercial intercourse is permitted.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That from and after the passing of this act, all ships or vessels owned by citizens or subjects of any foreign nation with which commercial intercourse is permitted by the act, intituled, "an Act to interdict the commercial intercourse between the United States and Great Britain and their dependencies, and for other purposes," be permitted to take on board cargoes of domestic or foreign produce, and to depart with the same for any foreign port or place with which such intercourse is or shall at the time of their departure, respectively, be thus permitted, in the same manner and on the same conditions as is provided by the act aforesaid for vessels owned by citizens of the United States; any thing in the said act, or in the act laying an embargo on all ships and vessels in the ports and harbors of the United States, or in any of the several acts supplementary thereto, to the contrary notwithstanding.

J. B. VARNUM,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
GEO: CLINTON,
Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate.

May 30th, 1809.
Approved: JAMES MADISON.

MRS. CLARKE.

This lady, we understand, has undertaken to suppress her literary work, in consideration of a sum of 7,000 pounds to cover her debts, &c. and annuity of 600 pounds to herself and her children. Ten thousand copies of the work had been worked off, but they were consigned to the flames on Saturday, and all the parties declared upon oath, that no vestige, in print or in manuscript, was preserved, except a single copy, in compliance with the act of parliament, and that is secured under seven seals.

[*Lon. pap.*

"*Verily they have their reward.*"—Sixteen bills of indictment for infractions of the embargo laws have been found by a jury of the circuit court of the United States, in Vermont, held in Windsor. It is said, one million of dollars will not pay the penalties incurred.

This unexpected proceeding has brought confusion into the camp of federalism in that state.

Judge Livingston, who presided at the above court, is now on a visit at Boston. *N. H. Patriot.*

Land for Sale.

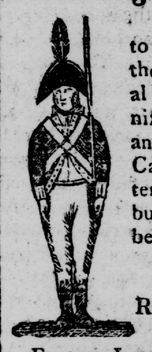
Will be offered at public sale, at the Trappe, on SATURDAY, *the 22d day of July, by the subscriber, agreeably to the last will and testament of Levin Stevens, dec'd.*

ALL his LANDS, supposed to contain about four hundred acres, adjoining the Trappe, in Talbot county; the repairs all in good order, to be sold on a credit of five years, bond and approved security, to be paid in four equal annual instalments, the first payment to be in one year after the sale, with interest on the whole, and so on till the whole is paid, with interest on the sum due. Possession will be given to the purchaser the first day of January next. Attendance given by

JOHN STEVENS, Ex'or of Levin Stevens, dec'd.

June 6, 1809. 7

Easton Light Infantry Blues.



*** YOU are ordered to meet on *FRIDAY* next, the 9th instant, at the usual time and place, with uniform and arms complete, and six rounds of blank Cartridges.—Punctual attendance is requested as business of importance will be laid before you,

By Order of the Lieut. Command't.
ROBERT SPENCER, *Sec'ry.*

Easton, June 6, 1809.

The Subscriber

HAS just received from Philadelphia, (of the latest importations,)

A HANDSOME ASSORTMENT OF

SEASONABLE GOODS,

CONSISTING OF

SUPERFINE cloths and cassimeres,
Superior cambric and corded dimities,
Black, white, pink, blue, buff, purple and lilac ginghams,
4-4 and 6-4 blue, buff and lilac corded do.
Dark and light ground fancy calicoes,
Black and white cambric muslins,
British, book and India jaconet do.
Plain and sprigg'd mull mull do.
Laced, seeded and fancy waved do. do.
Chambray muslins,
Buff and lilac Bengal,
White and coloured marseilles,
Royal-Rib waistcoating,
Patent-Buff and India nankeens,
Cotton cassimeres and grandurells,
Plad and coloured lutestrings,
Black silk florentine,
Black India mantuas,
Figured India Sarcenet,
Black and scarlet bombazetts,
Boston bedticking,
Cotton and linen check,
7-4 huckaback,
6-4 and 8-4 table diaper,
Unbleached cotton hose,
White and coloured do.
Black and white silk do.
Gentlemens' best beaver and buckskin do.
Ladies' York, tann'd and silk do.
Laced sleeves,
Netted suspenders,
Chintz shawls,
India black fringed do.
Cashamire do.
Serged silk do.
Damask do.
India striped and white muslins,
6-4 English striped cotton,
Lutestring, sattin, china and embossed ribbons,
Madras, bandanna and cotton handkerchiefs,
Morocco and leather slippers,
Green and plad parasols,
Silk and cotton umbrellas,
Whips,
Flowered paper,
Queen's ware,
China,
Glass, &c. &c.

ALSO, on hand, an assortment of

Hardware and Groceries.

All of which he will sell at the most reduced prices for cash.

LAMBERT W. SPENCER

Easton, June 6, 1809. tf

WILLIAM HARPER,

Takes this method to inform his Friends and the Public in general, that he has just received from Philadelphia,

A handsome and general assortment of

SPRING GOODS;

Which he offers for sale at the most reduced prices for Cash, or exchange for Country Produce,

—*AMONGST WHICH ARE*—

STAMPED cottons,
Ginghams,
Cambrick muslins coloured and white
Plain and figured leno muslins,
Leno shawls,
Coarse muslins,
Furniture chintz,
Silk, cambric and Madras handkerchiefs,
Gentlemen and Ladies' cotton hose,
Cotton shirting,
Seersuckers,
Cotton cassimeres
Yellow and blue nankeens,
Bombazett,
Cotton and linen checks,
Dimities,
Mull muslins,
Children's clothing,
Figured silk shawls,
White and coloured sewing cotton,
Sewing silk—India and English,
Ladies' kid and silk gloves,
Superfine cloths,
Boots and shoes,
Ladies' morocco and leather slippers,
Queen's ware,
China, and
Glass.

Also on hand, a complete assortment of

GROCERIES,

AND VARIOUS OTHER ARTICLES.

Centreville, June 6, 1809. 3

Notice.

WILL be sold at public sale on WEDNESDAY, the 28th June next, at the house of Joseph Ewing, in Tully's Neck, Queen-Ann's county, all the estate of *William L. Bewley*, an insolvent debtor, consisting of one Copper Still, one Wheat Fan, one Wainut Desk, one Cutting Box, one Scythe and Cradle, one Cow, and a life estate in and unto fourteen acres of land, the sale to commence at 10 o'clock, and sold for cash only. by

ROBERT OLDSON, *Trustee.*

June 6. 1809. 3

Joseph and William Haskins,

HAVE just received from Philadelphia, AND ARE NOW OPENING, A HANDSOME ASSORTMENT OF

GOODS,

Well adapted to the season, which they will sell at the most reduced prices, for cash.

June 6, 1809. tf

Ancient York Masonry

☞ ALL ANCIENT YORK MASONS *and particularly those of St. Thomas's Lodge, No. 37, at Easton, Talbot county, are requested to meet at the LODGE ROOM, in the town of Easton, on* Saturday, *10th June next, on business of serious importance to the cause of Masonry in general, and particularly to the Members of St. Thomas's Lodge.* 2

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber of Dorchester county, hath obtained from the orphan's court of Dorchester county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Henry Trippe*, late of Dorchester county, deceased—All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at or before the 10th day of December next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 10th day of June, anno domini 1809.

NICHOLAS HARRISON, *adm'r.* of Henry Trippe.

June 6, 1809. 3q

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber, of Worcester county, in Maryland, hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of Worcester county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Caleb Powell*, late of Worcester county, dec'd.—All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at or before the 15th day of December next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 6th day of June, A. D. 1809. 3q

STIRLING JONES, Adm'r.

Notice is hereby given,

TO all the creditors of *William L. Bewley*, an insolvent debtor, to meet at the house of Mr. BENJAMIN HATCHESON, in Centreville, on Thursday, the 23d December next, with their claims legally authenticated, at which time a distribution will be made among the creditors.

ROBERT OLDSON, *Trustee*

June 6, 1809. 3

Notice is hereby given,

THAT the subscriber of Talbot county, hath obtained from the orphan's court of Queen Ann's county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of ROBERT DAWSON, late of Queen Ann's county, deceased—All persons having claims against the said estate, are hereby warned to exhibit them to the subscriber, with the vouchers thereof, on or before the first day of January next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 6th day of June 1809.

EDWARD TURNER, Adm'r of Robert Dawson, dec'd.

June 6, 1809. 6

Somerset County, to wit:

ON application of *John Hobbs*, of Somerset county, by his petition in writing to me in the recess of the court, as Chief Judge of the Fourth Judicial District of the state of Maryland, praying the benefit of the act of assembly for the relief of insolvent debtors, passed at November session, 1805, and the supplements thereto, on the terms mentioned in the said acts; a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, as directed by the said act being annexed to his petition, and being satisfied by competent testimony that he has resided within the state of Maryland the two preceding years prior to his application, and having been brought before me by the sheriff of Somerset county upon an executien against the body of the said John Hobbs—I do hereby order and direct that the body of the said John Hobbs be discharged from imprisonment, and that he be and appear before the county court, to be held at Princess-Anne, in Somerset county, on the sixteenth day of September next, to answer such interrogatories as may be proposed to him by his creditors; and the said day is hereby appointed for his creditors to appear and recommend a trustee for their benefit; and I do further order that the said John Hobbs, give them notice by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in the Easton Star, once every three weeks for three months successively before the said sixteenth day of September next. Given under my hand this 23d day of May, anno domini 1809.

WILLIAM POLK.