IN COUNCIL,

ANNAPOLIS, MARCH 15, 1810.

ORDERED, That the following acts to wit: An act to alter and abolish that part of the Constitution which permits certain citizens of Annapolis to vote for delegates for Anne-Arundel county, An act to admit persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath to serve as jurors, An act to repeal and abolish the forty-fifth article of the constitution and form of government of this State as relate to voters and qualification of voters, An act to alter all such parts of the declaration of rights, constitution and form of government, as make it lawful to lay an equal and a general tax for the support of the Christian religion, and An act to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as require a property qualification in persons to be appointed or holding offices of profit and trust in this State, and in persons elected members of the Legislature or electors of the Senate—be published once in each week for the space of three months successively, in the Whig, Evening Post, and Federal Gazette, at Baltimore—the Maryland Republican and Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis, and in the Star at Easton.

By order,

NINIAN PINKNEY, Clk.

AN ACT to alter all such parts of the declaration of rights, constitution and form of government, as make it lawful to lay an equal and a general tax for the support of the Christian religion.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That it shall not be lawful for the general assembly of this state to lay an equal and general tax, or any other tax, on the people of this state, for the support of any religion.

2. *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 alteration and amendment of the constitution and form of government therein contained, shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid, as a part of said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes any thing in the said declaration of rights constitution and form of government contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

3. *And be it enacted*, That the several clauses and sections of the declaration of rights, constitution and form of government, so far as they are contrary to the provisions of this act, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, repealed and annulled on the confirmation hereof.

An act to alter such parts of the constitution and form of government of this state as relate to voters and qualification of voters.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That every free white male citizen of this state, above twenty-one years of age, and no other, having resided twelve months within this state, and six months in the county, or in the city of Annapolis or Baltimore, next preceding the election at which he offers to vote, shall have a right of suffrage, and shall vote, by ballot, in the election of such county or city, or either of them, for electors of President & Vice President of the United States, for representatives of this state in the Congress of the United States, for delegates to the general assembly of this state, electors of the senate, and sheriffs.

2. *And be it enacted*, That all and every part of the constitution and form of government of this state repugnant to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this act, shall be and the same are hereby abrogated, annulled and made void.

3. *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 alteration of said constitution contained therein, shall be considered as a part, & shall constitute and be valid as a part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Act to alter and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as require a property qualification in persons to be appointed or holding offices of profit or trust in this state, and in persons elected members of the legislature, or electors of the senate.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That all such parts of the constitution and form of government as require a property qualification in persons to be appointed or holding offices of profit or trust in this state, and in persons elected members of the legislature, or electors of the senate, shall be and the same are hereby repealed and abolished.

2. *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 amendment of the constitution & 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, only thing in the said constitution and form of government contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

AN ACT to abolish all that part of the Constitution which permits certain citizens of Annapolis to vote for delegates for Anne-Arundel county.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That no person residing in the city of Annapolis shall have a vote in the county of Anne-Arundel for delegates for the said county, and all and every part of the constitution which enables persons holding fifty acres of land to vote in said county, be and is hereby abolished; provided nevertheless, 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, according to the constitution and form of government, that in such case this alteration and amendment of the constitution and form of government shall constitute and be valid as part thereof, and every thing therein contained, repugnant to, or inconsistant with, this alteration and amendment, shall be repealed and abolished.

AN ACT to admit persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath to serve as jurors.

WHEREAS persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath are deprived of a full participation of the rights of citizenship, owing to their solemn affirmation not being admitted as a qualification to serve as jurors; therefore

2. BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the people called Quakers, those called Nicolites or New Quakers those called Menonists, Tunkers and others holding it unlawful to take an oath on any occasion, shall be allowed to make their solemn affirmation as a qualification as jurors, except in criminal cases that are capital, and upon petitions for freedom, in the manner that they have been heretofore allowed to affirm, which affirmation shall be of the same avail as an oath to all intents and purposes whatsoever.

3. *And be it enacted*, That before any of the persons aforesaid shall be admitted as a juror in any court of justice in this State, the court shall be satisfied, by such testimony that they may require, that such person is one of those who profess to be conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath.

An Act to repeal and abolish the forty-fifth article of the Constitution & Form of Government.

BE IT ENACTED, *by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the forty-fifth article of the contitution and form government be and the same is hereby repealed and utterly abolished.

2. *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 alteration of the constitution and form of government therein contained, shall be taken and considered, and be valid, as a part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, any thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Centreville Packet.

Captains James & Thomas Dawson,



RETURN their grateful acknowledgments to the public for the encouragement they have heretofore received in running their Packet between Centreville and Baltimore, and now inform them that they have ready for business, an elegant, safe, and commodious new Schooner (called the CORSICA) built of the best materials, and fitted up in a superior stile for the accommodation of Passengers.—Capt. Nicholas Meeds having entered into partnership *jointly* with them, will command the Corsica, and commence running the latter part of this month, starting from Centreville landing on *Wednesday* at 9 o'clock, and will leave Baltimore at the same hour on *Saturday* in every week during the season.

They have also taken that large commodious granary at Corsica landing, formerly the property of Henry Pratt Esq. which is repaired and fitted up in the most substantial manner, for the reception and storage of grain, where the Schooner EXPERIMENT, commanded by Captain Thomas Dawson, will attend for the conveyance of it to market—and will also attend at any place on Chester River or Corsica Creek, for the same purpose, at the shortest notice.

As the Packet will be furnished with the best Liquors and accommodations the market can afford, and every attention paid by Captain Meeds to render general satisfaction, they hope to obtain the patronage of a generous public.

JAMES DAWSON,
NICHOLAS MEEDS,
THOMAS DAWSON.

Centreville, February 20, 1810. m

For sale,

YOUNG MERINO RAMS, yeaned this spring. Those disposed to purchase are invited to call on the subscriber and make choice immediately. The price will be low, *provided* they are taken away by the first of July.

WM. R. STUART.

Kent county, April 24, 1810. m

NOTICE.

THE subscriber intends to make application to the Judges of Dorchester county court at their October term, next ensuing, for the benefit of the acts of assembly for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, 1805, and the supplements thereto, to relieve him from debts which he is unable to pay. *HENRY DELEHAY.*

Dorchester county, April 10, 1810 8

Land for sale.

THE subscriber offers to sell all that valuable tract of *LAND* whereon he now resides, containing about 800 acres, lying on the head of St. Michael's River, and about six miles from Easton. This property is well improved, contains an equal proportion of arable and heavy timbered land; is well adapted to the growth of Indian corn, wheat, rye and tobacco, and has on it a large quantity and variety of good fruit trees—a two story dwelling house of brick; as also every other out house requisite for a farm, with several tenements suited for mechanics, all of which are in good repair.

The above property will be sold in a body, or divided into three lots, (as may best suit purchasers) one of which will contain about four hundred acres, and the other two about two hundred each. The terms will be made easy and convenient, which may be known by application to

CHAS. GOLDSBOROUGH.

Pleasant Valley, Talbot county, April 3, 1810. } m

MARCH TERM, 1810.

ON application to the Judges of Dorchester county court, by *William B. Smith*, of the county aforesaid, by petition in writing, praying the benefit of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session eighteen hundred and five, and the several supplementary acts 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 acts, being annexed to his petition—and the said court being satisfied by competent testimony that the said William B. Smith has resided the two preceding years within the State of Maryland: It is therefore ordered and adjudged that the said William B. Smith, by causing a copy of this said order to be inserted in one of the newspapers of the city of Baltimore, and in Philadelphia, one in New-York, one in Norfolk, and in one in Easton, three months before Saturday the third day of November, and to be continued in the said papers for six successive weeks;—and also by setting up like notice at the court house door three months before the said day, give notice to his creditors to appear before the said county court, at the court house in said county, on the said day, for the purpose of recommending a Trustee for their benefit, and to answer interrogatories which his creditors may propose to him, the said William B. Smith then and there complying with the requisites of the said Act of Assembly.

H. DICKINSON, Clk.

May 15, 1810. 6

Somerset county, st.

ON application of *Thomas Noble*, of Somerset county, by 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 acts of assembly for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session eighteen hundred and five, 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 at present ascertain them, as directed by the said act, being annexed to his petition, and being satisfied by competent testimony that he hath resided in the state of Maryland the two preceding years prior to his application; and it being stated to me that the said Thomas Noble is committed to the custody of the constable of Salisbury hundred, on an execution against the body of the said Thomas Noble—I do hereby order and direct, that he the said Thomas Noble be discharged from imprisonment, and that he appear before the county court, to be held at Princess Anne on the 15th day of September next, to answer such allegations and interrogatories as may be proposed 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 Thomas Noble give them notice, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in the Easton Star, once in each week for the space of one month successively, three months previous to the said 15th day of September next, and also by setting up advertisements at the public taverns in Salisbury, three months before the said 15th day of September next. Given under my hand this 16th day of March, 1810. 4

WILLIAM POLK.

Worcester county court,

November Term, 1809.

ON application to Worcester county court, by petition in writing of *Rackliff Morris*, of Worcester county, for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five, and the several supplements thereto, on the terms mentioned therein, a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, being annexed to his petition, and the court being satisfied by competent testimony that the said Rackliff Morris, has resided the two years immediately preceding the time of his application, in the State of Maryland.—It is thereupon ordered and adjudged that the said Rackliff Morris, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in one of the newspapers printed at Easton, and also by setting up a like notice at one of the Taverns in Snow Hill and Salisbury, three months before the first Saturday of May Term next, give notice to his creditors to appear before the court, at the court House in Snow Hill Town, in Worcester County, on the first Saturday of May Term next, for the purpose of recommending a Trustee for their benefit, and shew cause, if any they have, why the said Rackliff Morris should not have the benefit of the acts of Assembly aforesaid, as prayed.

Test,

JOHN C. HANDY, Clk. W. C. C.

February 27, 1810. 3mo.

February 2d, 1810.

JAMES PATTON, of Talbot county, having made application in writing to me the subscriber, Chief Judge of the Second Judicial District of Maryland, in the recess of the Talbot county court, for the benefit of the act of assembly, passed at November session, in the year 1805, entitled, "an act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," and of the supplements thereto, and a schedule of his property, real, personal and mixed, (the necessary wearing apparel and bedding of himself and family excepted) on oath, and a list of his creditors, as far as he can ascertain or recollect, on oath, being annexed to his petition, and being satisfied by competent testimony, that the said petitioner is a citizen of the state of Maryland, and that he resided therein two years next before the passage of the act of assembly aforesaid, and that he has ever since resided in the said state; and being also satisfied that the said James Patton is now in actual confinement in Talbot county gaol for debt, and for no other cause; I do therefore hereby order, that the said James Patton be discharged from his imprisonment, and that the first Saturday of the next Talbot county court, to be holden at Easton, in the said county, on the fourth Monday of May next, be appointed for the personal appearance of the said James Patton in the said court, to answer such interrogatories as his creditors may then propound to him; and also to deliver up his property to a trustee for the benefit of his creditors—I do therefore further order, that the said James Patton cause a copy of this order to be inserted in the Easton newspaper called the Republican Star, once a week for three months successively, before the said first Saturday of May Term next, of the county court aforesaid, and thereby give notice to his creditors to appear before the Judges of Talbot county court, on the first Saturday aforesaid, to propound interrogatories as aforesaid, and to recommend a Trustee for their benefit. Given under my hand this 2d day of February, Anno Domini 1810.

R. T. EARLE.

February 27, 1810. 3mo

Queen-Ann's County, to wit:

ON application to me in writing, as Chief Judge of the Second Judicial District of the State of Maryland, by *Nathan Ireland*, of Queen-Ann's county in the recess of Queen-Ann's county court, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five, entitled "An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," and the supplements thereto a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, being annexed to his petition—and being satisfied by competent testimony that he has resided within the State of Maryland the two years preceding his application: And being also satisfied that the said Nathan Ireland is in actual confinement for debt only—I do hereby order that the body of the said Nathan Ireland be discharged from imprisonment, and that he appear before Queen Ann's county court on the first Saturday of October Term next, to answer such interrogatories as may be propounded to him by his creditors, and also to deliver up his property to a trustee for the benefit of his creditors. And I do further order that the said Nathan Ireland, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in the Easton Star, once a week for four weeks successively, give three months previous notice to his creditors to appear before Queen-Ann's county court, on the first Saturday of October Term next, for the purpose of recommending a Trustee for their benefit.—Given under my hand this 27th day of April, 1810.

RD. T. EARLE.

May 1, 1810. 4

Queen Ann's County, to wit:

ON application to me in writing, as Chief Judge of the Second Judicial District of the state of Maryland, by *George Godwin*, of Queen Ann's county, in the recess of Queen Ann's county court, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five, entitled, "an act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," and the supplements thereto; a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can at present ascertain them, being annexed to his petition; and being satisfied by competent testimony, that he has resided within the state of Maryland the two years preceding his application—and being also satisfied that the said George Godwin is in actual confinement for debt only: I do hereby order that the body of the said George Godwin be discharged from imprisonment, and that he appear before Queen Ann's county court, on the first Saturday of October term next, to answer such interrogatories as may be propounded to him by his creditors; and also to deliver up his property to a trustee for the benefit of his creditors. And I do further order that the said George Godwin, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in the Easton Star, once a week for four weeks successively, give three months previous notice to his creditors to appear before Queen Ann's county court, on the first Saturday of October term next, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit. Given under my hand this 28th day of April, eighteen hundred and ten.

RD. T. EARLE.

May 8, 1810. 4

Two dollars reward.

RAN away from the subscriber on the 23d of April last, an apprentice negro boy named CALEB BOYER, about nineteen years old, black complexion, tall and well grown to his age—Had on when he went away, a blue cloth coat and cloth pantalets, ruffled shirt and new fur hat. Whoever will take up the said apprentice boy, and secure him so that I get him again, shall receive the above reward, but no charges paid.

HENRY MATTHEWS.

Caroline county, Md. May 15, 1810.—3

One hundred dollars reward

RANAWAY from the subscriber on the 25th January 1810, a dark mulatto man named *George Hawkins*, sometimes calls himself George Lloyd—He is rather more than six feet high, has a small scar across his nose, one on his forehead between his eye-brow and hair, he has one on the back of his leg occasioned by the cut of a scythe: has holes in his ears for hobs, and when he absconded had oval gold hobs in them. His clothes was a light brown cloth coat, two striped linsey jackets, one red and white, and the other blue and white—deep blue stockings with red clocks: it is unnecessary to say more of his clothing, as he is a great trafficker and may change them; he is a tolerable good fiddler and took one with him, also a gun, which he may sell to purchase drink, as he is very fond of it, and when disguised with it, is very fond of talking, and a great laugher, and very noisey.—He is a very strait well made person, and thought handsome: he borrowed a pair of boots which he wore away—he is very artful and active, and unless sharply watched and well confined (if taken) will certainly get away. I will give 50 dollars if taken in this county, 40 dollars if taken in the next county, and 50 dollars if any further distance, and all reasonable charges I will pay if he is brought to Easton, and safely delivered to Captain John Meredith, or confined in goal.

MARY DAWSON.

January 30, 1810. m

Two hundred dollars reward.

ABSCONDED from the subscriber, a few days since, negro *Joseph Cottier*—He is about five feet ten inches high, tolerably black, with rather small eyes, and a very long under lip; his feet are large, and remarkably full and round on the inner side of the instep above the hollow of the foot. He moves clumsily in his common walk, and has a loud and rather hoarse voice. The above reward will be given for delivering him to the subscriber, if taken out of the state—fifty dollars if taken out of the county—and thirty if taken in the county.

EDWARD LLOYD.

May 23, 1809 m

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150 Dollars reward.

RAN *away from the subscriber, living on Bennett's Point, Queen-Ann's county, Maryland, on Saturday, the 2d instant, a negro man named* Charles, *but calls himself* Charles Dolly, *about 28 or 30 years of age, five feet 10 or 11 inches high, very black, a little pock marked, with large mouth and teeth, stout and well made; wears large whiskers; polite when spoken to, but has not much to say.—Had on a grey cloth jacket, and country linen trowsers and shirt, and took with him other clothes, not recollected. Said negro was raised on the farm near Smyrna, on the line between Queen-Ann's and Delaware, now the property of John Cummins, Esq. of that town, and lately taken home, where he has a wife, and probably may be now lurking—The above reward will be paid to any person delivering said negro to the subscriber, or securing him so that he gets him again.*

JOHN LLOYD TILGHMAN.

Bennett's Point, Queen-Ann's county, Sept 12, 1809 } m

Seventy dollars reward.

RAN away from the subscriber living in Talbot county, near the Trappe, on Saturday night, the thirteenth day of December last, a negro boy about 17 or 18 years of age, by the name of ISAIAH, slender made, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, black, with a good set of teeth, flat nose, lively and free spoken; down look when sharp spoken to, and hangs his lip—Had on a blue jacket and new furr'd hat; his other cloathing unknown. Twenty dollars will be given if taken in the county and secured in any jail, or the above reward if taken out of the state & returned to the subscriber. JOHN HIGGINS.

Talbot County, Md. Feb 20, 1810. m

Twenty dollars reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, living on the western shore, Maryland, a stout black woman named *Mary*, aged about 35 years—she has several scars and burns on both arms, and has a small lump of flesh on her right jaw, and on the right side of her neck, also on her breast. She has lost her teeth before, and is very fond of smoking. Whoever will take up the said negro woman and secures her in any jail so that I get her again, shall receive the above reward, and all reasonable charges paid.

JANE MARRIOT.

May 8, 1810. 4

NOTICE.

WAS committed to the gaol of Frederick county, Maryland, on the 15th inst. as a runaway, a negro man who calls himself *Simond Adams*: He appears to be about 26 years of age, about five feet ten inches high, pleasant countenance and very black, his fore teeth in the upper jaw somewhat defective; his clothing when committed as follows: a thickset pair of pantaloons, a dark grey cloth roundabout, a spotted calico vest, a good pair of shoes, and woollen stockings, a cotton homespun shirt, an old fur hat; wears his hair platted over his forehead, and says he is free born, and served his time with one Joseph Carter, of Charles county, about ten miles from Nottingham. The owner (if any) is requested to come and release him, otherwise he will be sold for his prison fees, agreeably to law.

EZRA MANTZ, *Sheriff.*

30th April, 1810.—(May 8.) 8

NOTICE.

WAS committed to the goal of Frederick county, Maryland, on the 3d ult. as a runaway, a mulatto woman who calls herself *POLL*, about 27 years of age, 4 feet 10 inches high, stout made, with large breasts—says she belongs to a Miss Bacus, of the city of Baltimore. The owner is hereby requested to come and release her, otherwise she will be sold for her prison fees as the law directs. EZRA MANTZ, *Sheriff.*

Frederick county, Maryland.

May 1, 1810. 8