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form of government, so far as they are contrary to the provisions of this act, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, repealed and annulled on the confirmation hereof.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.

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

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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

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

March Term, 1810.

ON application to Dorchester county court, by *Samuel Smoot*, 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 Samuel Smoot has resided the two preceding years within the state of Maryland—It is thereupon adjudged and ordered by the said court, that the said Samuel Smoot, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in one of the newspapers in the city of Philadelphia, one in the city of Baltimore, and one in the town of Easton, three months before Saturday the third day of November next, 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 the 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 Samuel Smoot then and there complying with the requisites of the said acts of assembly.

H. DICKINSON, Clk.

June 12, 1810. 6

March Term, 1810.

ON application to Dorchester county court by *Edward Wilson*, 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 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 by the said acts directed, being annexed to his petition; and the said court being satisfied by competent testimony, that the said Edward Wilson has resided the two preceding years within the state of Maryland—It is thereupon adjudged and ordered by the said court, that the said Edward Willson, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in one of the newspapers in the City of Baltimore, one in the town of Easton, and one in Dover, or Wilmington, three months before Saturday the third day of November next, 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 the 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 Edward Willson then and there complying with the requisites of the said acts of assembly.

H. DICKINSON, Clk.

June 12, 1810. 6q

April Term, 1810.

ORDERED by Somerset county court, that *John Leatherbury*, sen. a petitioner for relief under the insolvent law, give notice to his creditors by advertisement set up at the court house door, and at one tavern at Princess Ann, and at one tavern at Salisbury three months before the first Saturday in September term, 1810, and publish in one of the newspapers at Easton, three months before the said day of appearance, and continue the same for four successive weeks.

Test, WM. DONE, Clk.
of Somerset county court

Notice is hereby given to my creditors, to meet at Princess Anne, on the day above mentioned, in order to appoint a trustee, and to state interrogatories.

JOHN LEATHERBURY, sen.

Somerset county, June 12, 1810. 4q

In Kent County Court,

March Term, 1810.

ON application of *George Jones*, of Kent county, by petition in writing, praying the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, and the several 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, being annexed to his petition, and the said George Jones having satisfied the court by competent testimony, that he has resided two years within the state of Maryland immediately preceding the time of his application; having also stated in his petition, that he is now in actual confinement, and not on account of any breach of the peace, or for the non-payment of any fine or penalty for the breach of the laws of this state, or of the United States: and having produced the certificate of the sheriff of Kent county to that effect—and having prayed to be discharged from confinement on the terms prescribed in the said acts, and he having also given security for his personal appearance at the next county court, to answer any allegations that may be made against him by his creditors—It is hereby adjudged and ordered by the said court, that the said George Jones be discharged from confinement, and by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in the Easton Star, once a week for four weeks successively, within three months before the first Saturday of September term next, and also by setting up a like notice at the court house door of the county aforesaid, give notice to his creditors to appear before the said county court, at the court house in Chestertown, at twelve o'clock of the said day, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, and shew cause, if any they have, why the said George Jones should not have the benefit of the several acts of assembly for the relief of insolvent debtors.

Attest, BEN. CHAMBERS,
Clerk Kent C C.

June 12, 1810 4

NOTICE.

ON application in writing to the judges of Caroline county court, at March Term, eighteen hundred and ten, of *Ennalls Davis*, an insolvent petitioner, praying the benefit of the act of assembly 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 said petition; & it appearing to the court, that the said Ennalls Davis is in actual confinement in the custody of the sheriff of Caroline county as a debtor, and the said Ennalls Davis having taken the oath directed by the said act, to deliver up all his property for the benefit of his creditors; and having also given bond with security approved by the court, as directed by the said act of assembly. It is ordered and adjudged by the court, that the said Ennalls Davis be discharged from the confinement aforesaid; and it is also further ordered and adjudged by the court, that the said Ennalls Davis give notice to his creditors, by advertisement to be inserted in the Republican Star, printed at Easton, and set up at the court house door of the county aforesaid, that they be and appear before the judges of Caroline county court, on Tuesday, the ninth day of October next, between the hours of ten and one o'clock of the same day, to shew cause why the said Ennalls Davis should not have the relief prayed for, and to examine the said Ennalls Davis on interrogatories, if to them it shall seem proper; and also to recommend a trustee for their benefit as by the said act is directed; and that the notice be given two months at least before the day appointed as aforesaid, and be continued in the said paper once a week for three weeks successively

THOS. RICHARDSON, Clk.
of Caroline County Court.

June 12, 1810 3q

Somerset County, to wit:

April Term, 1810.

WHEREAS *Benjamin Wailes*, of Somerset county, by his petition to the honorable the judges of Somerset county court, hath set forth, that he is unable to pay his debts, and was then under execution, and was willing and desirous to deliver up for the use and benefit of his creditors, all his property, real, personal and mixed, on the terms prescribed by law, and that he had thereunto annexed a schedule of all his property, on oath, &c. Whereupon it is ordered by the said court, that the said Benjamin Wailes give notice by advertisement set up at the court house door, and at one tavern at Princess Anne, and one at Salisbury, and published in one of the newspapers at Easton, three months before the first Saturday of September term next, and continue the same four successive weeks. Test,

WM. DONE, *Clk. Som. C. C.*

June 5, 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.) 6

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber, of Worcester county, hath obtained from the orphan's court of Worcester county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *John Ayres*, late of said 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 first day of December next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.—Given under my hand this first day of June, anno domini 1810.

JACOB TEAGUE, *Adm'r*
3q of John Ayres, dec'd

Notice.

WHEREAS my wife *Jane Hussey* has (without any just cause or provocation) eloped from my bed and board; this is therefore to forewarn all persons from harbouring or trusting her on my account, as I am determined from this date to pay no debts of her contracting.

ROBERT HUSSEY.

June 12, 1810. 3q

Dorchester County, st.

ON application made to me the subscriber one of the associate Judges of the fourth Judicial District of Maryland, in the recess of Dorchester county court, by *James Smith*, of the said county, being in actual imprisonment for Debt, praying the benefit of the act of Assembly 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 the same, being annexed to his petition, I being satisfied by competent testimony, that he has resided for two years last past in the state of Maryland; and he having given sufficient security for his appearance in Dorchester county court, before the judges thereof, in the town of Cambridge, on the Saturday next after the fourth Monday of October next, and at such other time or times as the said court shall appoint, to answer such allegations as may be made against him relative to his said application; and he having taken the oath directed by the act of assembly, entitled, "an act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," passed at November session eighteen hundred and five—I do therefore order and adjudge that the said James Smith be discharged from his imprisonment aforesaid, and that by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in one of the newspapers in the town of Easton, three months before the day appointed, and continued four successive weeks, and also by causing a copy thereof to be set up at the court house door and at the door of one of the taverns in Cambridge, three months before the said day, he give notice to his creditors to appear before the said county court, at the time and place aforesaid, between the hours of ten in the morning and two in the afternoon of the same day, for the purpose of recommending a Trustee for their benefit, or to shew cause, if any they have, why the said James Smith should not have the benefit of the said acts. Given under my hand this tenth day of May, Anno Domini 1810.

JOHN DONE.

True copy,
H. DICKINSON, Clk.

May 29, 1810. 4—75 q

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 Baque, 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

A runaway.

COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro man by the name of *Miel*, who says he was sold by Mr. *Henry T. Compton*, Prince George's county, to a Mr. *Broomfield*, living in New Orleans He appears to be about 45 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, yellow complexion, and stout made; his clothing, a pair of country cotton trowsers, oznab ig shirt, a wool hat, and a pair of old shoes. His owner is desired to take him away, or he will be sold for his prison fees and other expences, according to law.

JOHN IRELAND, *Sheriff*
Calvert county.

May 27, (June 12) 1810. 6—3q

Two hundred dollars reward.

ABSCONDED from the subscriber, a few days since, negro *Joseph Cofter*—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 28, 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