

embarrassing the measures of government by committees unknown to our laws, and not recognized by our constitution, but for that of serving the national arm by the only means in their power, and in the only way which presented itself to good citizens, and the friends of good order—to make to the constituted authorities a tender of every thing which could contribute to the safety, honor and welfare of the City of Charleston, and of the State at large.

Courier.

Mr. Fisk, member of Congress from Vermont, left the City for the southward before we had the good fortune to see him. He mentioned to a friend of ours that on Wednesday last the British had made an attack on Plattsburgh; that they were twice repulsed after severe conflicts, but that the third time the enemy were permitted to get entire possession of the Bridge, when it and they were blown up together. Their loss said to be 500 men. Ours inconceivable. Plattsburgh is in an excellent state of defence under Gen. Maccomb, who has sixty pieces of cannon mounted. Major Gen. Izard with a very large reinforcement for Fort Erie was said to have reached within 100 miles of that "wretched stockade."

Democratic Press.

FOR THE STAR.

A hand-bill addressed to the people of Talbot, Caroline and Queen Ann's counties, has stated my vote on the bill for the relief of insolvent debtors, in May, 1787, to be injurious to the poor man—twenty seven years ago. It certainly is an eulogium on my character, that although constantly in the public service, I have given no bad vote for 27 years. I did not vote against the poor man's right to vote; but I did, by my publication, secure the poor man in the right to be appointed to office, without respect to property. My vote in 1787 was supported by the votes of Gov. Johnson and Gov. Pava, and twenty votes on that side, opposed by Sam. Chase, who was long an insolvent, with 29 votes. But when examined, it will be found to include not only tradesmen and labourers, but doctors, lawyers and parsons, and all who gained their livelihood by their avocation; that in 1787 all our dealings were on a year's credit, and that the man who could pay his debts within a year, could not be insolvent, as he complied with his contract—of this, by the bill, the Court was the judge; and if a married man could pay his debts in a year, by the product of his labour, over and beyond his maintenance, they should be secured for the benefit of his creditors. Honesty is the best policy—and the author of this hand-bill expects to please the poor, by advocating so dishonest a practice, as that when a poor man obtains the tools to set up his trade, to be paid for in a year or eighteen months by the products of his trade (which tools were not liable to be given up under the insolvent law) should be discharged and not pay for them agreeably to his contract. The honest mechanic will be disgusted at the suggestion of his cheating his creditors. Suppose an over-seeer indebted ten pounds at March Court, was to apply to be discharged, whose salary was £50 a year, and who, at the end of the year, could pay the £10, and have £40 in his pocket—would he be honest, who would thus cheat, perhaps, his poorer neighbour of his £10? Poor men are honest, and will not justify such knavery. It will be found by that bill the Court, who had no interest, settled the business between the debtor and creditors; and that it is false that any man was to be sold—he was to enter into a contract, such as the Court should direct, for the payment of such parts of the products of his labour as the Court should direct, over and beyond what the Court should allow for his maintenance. But now the poor man cannot be discharged, but by the consent of three fourths of his creditors.

R. WRIGHT.

FOR THE STAR.

It is believed by some people, that the Tories in this county, acting under the advice of their high priest, are handing about a petition, in conformity to the suggestion in the Common Sewer of a recent date, the purport of which is, that the President shall abdicate the presidency. If it is a fact, that such a paper is afloat among us, the people ought to be informed of its character. Those persons here, who were concerned in smuggling Mr. Winder into a niche in the treasury, in full view of sixteen hundred and forty odd dollars, would not be above cheating ignorant people out of their signatures. Some persons have actually signed a paper, without knowing its contents; and if it should prove to be such an one as is recommended in that privy, wherein every Tory may deposit his filth, I think the republicans, who are decidedly the majority in the State, ought to follow the example, and petition Gov. Winder, in a decent manner, to retire from an office he disgraces. If he does not comply with the request of the people, thus respectfully made, they ought to rise in the majesty of their constitutional strength, and force him to withdraw—and that, too, before he empties the treasury of the State, by paying himself for services never performed.

A. B.

Dorchester County.

Easton, September 20, 1814.

Improper use having been made of the subjoined letter, probably for the worst of purposes, we annex a correct copy from the original. To those acquainted with the gentleman, no comment will be necessary; and so far as the accounts go, they are certainly corroborated by other information received in the like manner.

“ELKTON, Sept. 15, 1814.

“Dear Sir,

Your letter of yesterday is received, and it affords me much pleasure to communicate the intelligence received at this place, respecting the engagement at Baltimore. Baltimore is yet safe—Both the land and naval forces of the enemy have been beaten, and repulsed with the loss of several hundred men in killed, wounded, &c. including in the former, Gen. Ross—We have lost from 70 to 80 men in killed and wounded. The enemy are all on board their ships in the Patapsco—their next object not known. This information comes partly in a letter of yesterday from Mr. P. Thomas, the aid of Gen. Forman, and partly from Joshua Richardson, our postmaster, who has this moment arrived from Baltimore—No mail from below for us for two days past—There are many rumours about the fight; but I believe I have sent you all that can be depended upon.”

P. S. Gen. Stricker's brigade seems to be the only one engaged. Poor James L. Donaldson, the delegate last year from Baltimore, is killed. The Fort has acquired immortal reputation.”

Since the above, verbal accounts have come to our knowledge, that the enemy lost in the above engagement, most of their surgeons on shore—that flags were sent to the American camp for the body of Gen. Ross, for medical aid, &c. all of which were promptly rendered—that Adm. Cockburn had his shoulder fractured—After leaving the Patapsco, the fleet went up the bay (probably for water)—We have not heard of their landing or committing any depredation on this shore.

On Sunday last 66 sail of the enemy's vessels went down the bay, and were out of sight in the evening. One of their transport ships got aground off Kent Island, with which a 74 and some small vessels remained until Sunday night, and after taking out the men, &c. she was burnt. Details are hourly looked for—they shall be issued without delay—we have not been able to get them for this morning, and prefer waiting their arrival to giving the many incoherent reports now afloat.

Late accounts received at Wilmington mention the capture of the whole of the British fleet on Lake Champlain by Com. McDonough.

The Star will resume its usual size on Tuesday, and expected details attended to.

Advertisements omitted this morning, shall appear in our next.

PUBLIC SALE.

ON THREE MONTHS CREDIT.

ON THURSDAY, the 29th inst. or on the next fair day, the subscriber will dispose of, at public auction, at Oakland, the late dwelling plantation of David Kerr, Jun. deceased—A valuable stock of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, and all kinds of farming utensils; also a seine and a large canoe with sails; also a handsome gig and harness, and the carriage part of a phaeton with a set of harness; also various articles of lumber and things of great use to farmers and others. The sale will begin at 9 o'clock A. M.

JOHN L. KERR, adm'r

with the will annexed, of D. Kerr, jr.

Easton, sept 20 2

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas to me directed, will be sold on WEDNESDAY the 5th day of October next, at the dwelling house of Richard Keene, two hundred acres of Land, part of Edenborough, the property of Richard Keene, sold by virtue of venditioni exponas, at the suit of the State of Maryland, use of Elkin Solomon, asse. of Richard R. Keene, use of William M'Mechin against Richard Keene, executor of Samuel Keene.

Also—Will be sold on the same day and place, two hundred acres of Land, part of Edenborough, the property of Richard Keene—sold by virtue of venditioni exponas, at the suit of the State of Maryland, use of Richard R. Keene, use of William Gwinn against Richard Keene, executor of Samuel Keene.

Also—Will be sold at the same time, two hundred acres of Land, part of Edenborough, the property of the said Keene, sold by virtue of venditioni exponas, at the suit of the State of Maryland, use of Richard Keene, use of William Gwinn against Richard Keene, executor of Samuel Keene; taken as the property of Richard Keene, to satisfy the aforesaid claims—will be sold for cash. Sale to begin at 3 o'clock, and attendance will be given by

JAMES KEENE, Sheriff.

Caroline county, sept. 20 3

Also—Will be sold on THURSDAY the 6th day of October next, on the premises, near Hog Island, all William Alford's undivided right in a tract or parcel of Land, the property of the said Alford—sold by virtue of a venditioni exponas, at the suit of John Bradley & Co.; taken as the property of William Alford, to satisfy the aforesaid claim—will be sold for cash. Sale to begin at 3 o'clock, and attendance given by

JAMES KEENE, Sheriff.

Caroline county, sept. 20 3

PUBLIC SALE.

By order of the orphans' court of Talbot county, will be offered at public sale, on THURSDAY, the 13th day of October, next, at the late dwelling of William Watts, dec'd. the following negroes, to wit: 1 woman for a term, four likely boys of about 8 years old and under.

The terms of sale will be a credit of 9 months, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock, and attendance given by

N. WATTS, adm'r

of W. Watts, dec'd.

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FORGE AND MILLS FOR SALE.

The subscriber intending to leave the State of Delaware, offers for sale, at public auction, on THURSDAY, the 3d day of November next, the following property, viz:

One Forge with two fires; one Saw-Mill and Grist-Mill; one small cotton carding and spinning Machine—all on an excellent stream of water. There are also sufficient improvements, such as dwelling houses, cook house, kitchen, carriage house, and good stables and other houses of convenience, all new and in good repair; together with 400 acres of Land, situated on Gravelly Branch, in Nanticoke Hundred, Sussex county, State of Delaware, and on the main road leading from Milford to Laurel Town. Wood for coal, and iron ore can be had for the use of the Forge, convenient, plentiful, and on good terms. The seat is eligible for any kind of machinery, being convenient to water carriage.

The terms of payment will be made easy with the purchaser—Persons wishing to view the property, will apply to the subscriber, living on the premises.

SHADRACH ELLIOTT.

sept. 20 3q

ENGLISH EDUCATION.

The Professors of Easton Academy deem it incumbent on them to inform the gentlemen of Easton and its vicinity, that in the English department of the Academy two classes have been opened, which are to be confined solely to the elements of Reading, Writing, Grammar, Arithmetic and Geography with the use of the Globes and Maps, all simplified to the capacities of children.

As emulation and application increase in proportion to the number in a class, therefore the same Lecture given on any of these branches, not being as instructive to four, as it would be to sixteen pupils, induced them to publish this: and they are, through their exertions and care, persuaded, that a boy of moderate abilities must, by being one year in such a class, lay the foundation of a solid English education.

P. QUIN & T. M'CONNELL.

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N. B. Genteel boarding may be had for students, in my house, under my care, and that of the other Professor.

P. QUIN.

EASTON JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

Will be run for, over a beautiful course, on WEDNESDAY the 2d day of November, the Jockey Club purse of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars—the four mile heats, agreeably to the rules of the Club.

On THURSDAY the 3d day of November, the Jockey Club colts' purse of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars—the two mile heats, agreeably to the rules of the Jockey Club.

On FRIDAY the 4th day of November, will be run for, all the booth, gate and subscription money, except what pays the rent of the field.—The three-mile heats.

N. B. The Jockey Club purses will be composed of the ten dollars subscribed by each member, by which they will be regulated. The members are requested to attend at the "Easton Hotel," on TUESDAY previous to the Races aforesaid.

THOMAS HENRIX, Secretary to the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Delaware Jockey Club.

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N. B. The state of the war has made this late day necessary.

Those members who have not paid their subscription for the last year, are requested to take notice that payment for all arrears of subscriptions due, will be expected.

T. H.

PAINTING.

House, sign, and ornamental painting, and paper hanging; Chimney boards, window and bed cornices and military standards, neatly executed with correctness and dispatch; Fancy-pieces, designed for young ladies to work; and Likenesses correctly taken in miniature—price from two to ten dollars—by

WILLIAM FOSTER, Near the Easton Hotel.

N. B. All orders addressed to the subscriber from a distance, will be punctually attended to.

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W. F.

BY ORDER OF THE ORPHANS COURT OF QUEEN ANN'S COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT all persons having claims against the estate of Major John W. Hackett, deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 20th day of December next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand, this 9th day of September, 1814.

ARTHUR HOLT, adm'r of maj J. W. Hackett, dec'd.

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TO ALL WHOM IT DOTHS CONCERN.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT a petition will be preferred to the next General Assembly, praying a law to extend the time of condemnation of so much of the mill seat at present occupied by the subscriber, as is necessary for the practical operation of the mill.

JOHN LUCAS, 3d.

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THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE,

THAT I intend petitioning the next session of the Legislature of the State of Maryland, for a bill of divorce from my husband John Meeds—and likewise to be empowered to keep, support and educate my infant son William Meeds.

ELIZABETH MEEDS.

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