shall have before us, in one way or
er, documentary information which
enable unprejudiced persons to make
an opinion as to the expediency of
Mission. As yet, we, in common
others, are in the dark on some im-
tant points, which the documents
ld probably shed light upon.
he information has not, however,
n called for, and possibly, may not
until the Senate shall have acted fi-
ty on the subject.—*Nat. Intel.*

RUNAWAY SLAVES.

Delaware in a bad humor.—It will
remembered that a deputation has
n sent from our legislature to the le-
latures of Pennsylvania and Delaware,
n session, to procure from both, the
sage of a law relative to runaway
ves from this state. A law upon this
ject has passed the Delaware legisla-
e, in consequence of which a large
respectable meeting of the inhabi-
ts of Wilmington was held on the
h ult. at which sundry resolutions
re passed, denouncing the said law.—
e quote the language adopted by the
eting, in relation to it:—

1. Because it [the law] authorizes
sons to be arrested on mere suspicion,
l to be carried away from their neigh-
hood, or district, to a distant part of
county, or state, where unknown and
endless, the question of their right to
edom, is to be examined and finally
termined by the decision of a single
lividual.

2. Because it makes no discrimination
ween the unconscious, unintentional
ender, and the guilty who violates the
by design and preconcerted purpose.

3. Because it imposes a heavy penal-
where no overt act is committed, and
ere the only offence is a *supposed in-
tion* to interfere in opposing the exe-
tion of the law.

4. Because its penalties are excessive
d unusual; disproportioned to the of-
ice committed, and greatly beyond
at is necessary for the attainment of
blic justice, or the security of private
hts.

5. Because it exposes our citizens to
xatious prosecutions, on the most flim-
pretences, and to the loss not only of
ir property, but to confinement in jails,
d more especially the numerous and
eful class who navigate our waters;
d it opens, moreover, a wide door to
e cruel and odious practice of kidnap-
g, and thus jeopardizes the liberty of
,000 of the free colored population of
e state.

Resolved, therefore, that a law con-
ning so many objectionable features,
d wholly uncalled for from the people
this state, manifests a degree of subser-
ency, on the part of the legislature, to
e wishes and interest of another re-
blic, altogether incompatible with the
gnity and independence of our own
ate, with the rights of her citizens, and
th the duty which the legislature owed
their constituents.

Resolved, further, that the inhabitants
other parts of the state be, and they
e hereby invited to co-operate with us
the use of all constitutional means,
rescue our common rights and pro-
rty, from the jeopardy into which they
e thus thrown by an imbecile act of le-
slation, and to redeem the character
the state from that degradation which
ch proceedings cannot fail to fix upon
in the eyes of the world.

SOUTH AND NORTH.

In the debate in Congress, on the sub-
ct of appropriation for fortifications,
r. Forsyth of Georgia remarked—
There is a small and scattered popu-
tion in Georgia, and it has in its bosom
e worst of evils. Can it apply to South
arolina in case of danger; she is in the
me situation. Can she ask any aid of
labama? She is similarly situated. In
se of war, they must either do as they
id in the revolutionary war, abandon
eir habitations, or leave their bones on
e soil. They might save their own
onor, but who would save the honor of
e country?

He was answered by Mr. Dwight of
Mass. in the following terms:—
In the event of internal commotion in
Geo. where should its white population
eek a shelter? Not, certainly in this
ttle fort of Savannah. In such an event
and he hoped the day was far distant)
hey would look not to the forts erected
or maritime defence, but to the stout
earts and sympathetic feelings of their
northern brethren; and he did not haz-
ard too much in saying that in such a
ase the north would pour out its blood
ike water to assist the south.

From a late London Paper.

The following disgraceful act took
place on Saturday se'n-night, at Horsham-
market:—A journeyman blacksmith, with
great affrontery, exhibited his wife, a de-
cent-looking woman, with a halter about
her neck, for sale, and actually sold her
for two pounds and five shillings, the pur-
chaser agreeing to take one of their three
children. Information of the circum-
stance was sent to a magistrate, but be-
fore any steps could be taken, the con-
tracting parties had disappeared.

It is confidently stated that half an
ounce of powdered brimstone will in-
stantly extinguish a chimney on fire, by
being thrown upon the burning coals on
the hearth.

Cambridge Chronicle,

AND
Eastern Shore Advertiser.

CAMBRIDGE, SATURDAY, Feb. 11th 1826.

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TO A CORRESPONDENT.

Lines composed on the sickly season of 1825, are too lengthy for publication.

KIDNAPPING.

Extract of a letter dated

FEDERALSBURG [Md.] Feb. 6, 1826.

Mr. Luther M. Scott—

SIR—On the 1st day of November last, a coloured boy, named *Martin Hardcastle*, about eight years of age, slender built, the son of Luzana Brown, was taken in her absence from home, and carried away—Said boy has not been heard of since, although diligent search has been made. He lived near the line which divides the State of Maryland from Delaware, in what is called the North West Fork hundred of Sussex county.

On the 21st of January last, not far from the same place, in Sussex county, near the line of the States of Maryland and Delaware, another boy, named *Patrick Williams*, [free born] the son of Joseph Williams, a colored man, was stolen from the employ of Mr. John Hignat, whilst he was cutting in the woods; and has not been heard of since. He is about twelve years of age, slender built, and the third finger on his left hand is a little crooked, occasioned by having been cut with a knife.

FROM ANNAPOLIS.

Extract of a letter to the Editor of the Chronicle, dated

ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 4.

John C. Weems, Esq. is elected by a majority of 309 votes, a Representative to Congress to supply the place of Dr. Kent. The bill for regulating special partnerships has passed the House of Delegates.—*George Maccubbin*, Esq. was on Thursday last, elected Treasurer of the Western Shore, and *Thomas Loockerman*, Esq. Register of the Land office, for the Eastern Shore, in the place of Richard Sherwood, Esq. deceased.—Mr. S. R. Smith has reported a bill for the regulation and improvement of Snow-hill, in Worcester county. Mr. A. E. Jones has presented a petition from Robert Stewart, Collector of Somerset county, praying that the time for collecting the state tax may be prolonged. A letter has been received from John N. Steele, Esq. notifying his acceptance of the appointment of a member of the council to the Governor. The committee to whom was referred the petition of Charles Jones, the late sheriff and collector of Somerset county, have made a favourable report thereon.—Also upon the petition of Robert Stewart, collector of Somerset county. The petition presented by Mr. Mitchell from the parishioners of Worcester county, praying that the parish may be established at Berlin, has been referred to a committee. A bill has been reported, entitled, an act to divorce John T. Shanks and Lydia, his wife, of Dorchester county. A bill reported by Mr. Brohawn, entitled, an act to authorise John McKnight to cut a canal therein mentioned in Dorchester county, has been read the second time by special order. On motion of Mr. Eccleston, the question was put that the following be added—"Provided that nothing contained in this act shall be construed to prevent the owner or owners of the land, through which this canal shall be excavated, from using the said canal"—Determined in the negative.

Extract of a letter to the Editor, dated

ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 6.

Since the election of Mr. Chambers to the U. S. Senate, nothing of a very interesting nature has occurred.—Mr. Eccleston has presented a memorial from Thomas H. Hicks, sheriff of Dorchester county, praying to be relieved from the expense of *advertising in the newspapers*. Mr. Douglass has reported a bill, entitled an act for changing part of the divisional counties. Mr. Eccleston has obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled an act to alter the common law definition of larceny in certain cases. I have already sent you the result of the election for Treasurer of the Western Shore; perhaps your readers will be pleased to see the ballottings—They were as follows:

	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th
George Maccubbin,	20	21	26	35	40
Lewis Duvall,	20	23	23	31	32
Gideon Pearce,	20	21	3	withdrawn	
Daniel Sprigg,	4	3	0	4	do.
Thomas Culbreth,	5	1	.		
Philip Reid,	1				

The committee to whom were referred the resolutions relative to the Congress at Panama, have returned them without amendment, and in their report 'decline interfering with the subject, as it now engages the profound attention of the National Legislature, to which lie open avenues of information in regard to the foreign relations of the country, to which this body has not access'. Mr. Benjamin I. Jones has presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying that a part of the donation granted to Washington academy, in said county, may be given to Salisbury academy. Mr. Mitchell has obtained leave to bring in a bill entitled an act to authorise James C. Milbourne, of Worcester county, to remove a negro girl into this state.

Maryland Treasury.—It appears from Mr. Maxcy's report, that there are now upwards of $100,000 in our state treasury, and that nearly that sum of annual surplus may be fairly calculated upon from existing laws.

Miss Cunningham.—Another person, suspected of being the murderer of Miss Cunningham, has been apprehended in New Jersey. He calls himself *Edward Anderson*—is apparently about 40 years of age, about the height stated in the description published at the time—and has with him such a knapsack or budget as is described, and a dark green surtout much worn. He had been lurking in the mountains for some time.

Murder.—An atrocious murder was committed in the city of Baltimore, a few days since. The victim was an honest, industrious drayman, of the name of RILEY. The object was a small sum of money he had with him; intending to deposit it in the savings bank. A person by the name of *Edward Riley*, strongly suspected of the crime, was pursued to Washington and arrested.

A letter from Harrisburg, dated 1st inst. says—"Last evening Colonel CHAMBERS, Mr. GOLDSBOROUGH, and Mr. LEE, commissioners from Maryland arrived here. The mission is for the purpose of obtaining some measure from our Legislature to prevent their runaway slaves from finding an asylum and protection in Pennsylvania from their owners. The commissioners are highly respectable gentlemen, and seem well qualified to conciliate the good will of the authorities of Pennsylvania.

Intolerance.—We were not aware, says the Baltimore Patriot, till informed of the fact by the Catawba Journal, printed in Charlotte, N. C. that the Constitution of North Carolina contained an article equally, if not more intolerant than that recently expunged from our constitution. By the constitution of North Carolina, no person who shall deny the truth of the *protestant* religion, or the divine authority of either the Old or New Testament, can hold any office, or place of trust or profit, in the civil department within that state; consequently, both Jews and Roman Catholics are disfranchised there.

It seems the British government have laid claim to about ten thousand square miles, of the territory heretofore considered a part of the state of Maine—at which the governor of that state grows somewhat warm, as well he may. The subject is in a train of discussion between the United states and Great Britain.

Influenza.—An efficacious remedy is used for the influenza, which is drinking very plentifully of barley water, sweetened with brown sugar, and strongly impregnated with acid, [vinegar, lime or lemon juice] and observing a strict diet.

We have been favored by a friend with the perusal of a letter from a gentleman formerly of this town, who has lately visited the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal—We make the following extract.

"I found a very strong force engaged on the work, and every prospect of its being completed in a short time. The tide lock at the Delaware river is finished, and three or four sections of the canal excavated. The "Deep Cut" at the Buck tavern, is really wonderful to behold; it is now *forty five* feet deep, and requires a depth of *thirty five* feet more to make it on a level with the survey below. The dirt is thrown up mountain high, and lies in masses as far as the eye can reach. There are 2500 men constantly at work, Irish, Dutch, Welch, French, Swiss, and Negroes. The Irish and Negroes are kept separate from each other, for fear of serious consequences.—An abutment for a stone bridge over the canal, at the Buck, has just been laid, to be sprung by one arch, ninety feet from the water. The mode in which the dirt is taken up, is by *excavators*, worked by horse power—the mill is built something similar to a bark mill, and attached to it are two large cylinders, each of which takes a yard of earth every five minutes; it would be impossible for carts to take it up."

NUMBER OF METHODISTS IN 1825.

We copy the following table from the annual pamphlet of the Methodist Episcopal Church, just printed:—

	Whites.	Col'd.	Total.
Ohio conference,	38153	86	38239
Kentucky do.	21791	3303	26094
Missouri do.	12159	420	12579
Tennessee do.	11828	1749	13577
Holstein do.	13443	1491	14934
Mississippi do.	8024	2000	10024
S. Carolina do.	27756	15293	43049
Virginia do.	21623	7376	28999
Baltimore do.	22976	9340	32316
Philadelphia do.	28997	7658	36655
New York do.	28507	341	28848
N. England do.	15802	253	16055
Maine do.	6957	3	6960
Genesee do.	26836	104	26940
Canada do.*	6755	16	6875
Total,	221607	49433	341144

*There are 104 Indians belonging to this conference.

Increase this year, 19672. The travelling preachers are 1231, giving an increase of 42; and there are 83 superannuated preachers.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION & FAIR.

At a meeting of the Board of the "Dorchester Agricultural Society" held at the residence of Dr. Joseph E. Muse, in Cambridge, on the 6th of February, 1826; Present,

Joseph E. Muse, President.

Thos. Woolford, } Vice Presidents.
Levin Lake, }

William Hughlett, }
William V. Murray, } CURATORS.
John R. Pitt, }
John R. Steele, }
Thomas Hayward, }

After the transaction of the ordinary business, a member moved the following resolution which was adopted and ordered to be published:—

Resolved—That the following communication be published three weeks in the Cambridge Chronicle.

The Board of Curators of the Dorchester Agricultural Society, tender their acknowledgements to those farmers of Dorchester who by their zealous co-operative exertions have exhibited at the Cattle Show of last year, in Cambridge, the most unequivocal indications of a successful issue to the enterprise, and most satisfactorily solved the fastidious problem of the practicability of county cattle shows.

The Board earnestly invite those who have contributed to this useful institution, to continue their liberal exertions for its promotion; and they take this occasion to say, that they shall consider the membership of all those who do not notify the Secretary by the first day of April next, of their wish to withdraw, *as continued for the present year;* the necessity of which measure is too obvious to require explanation; and those, who from want of confidence in the experiment, have withheld their patronage, they hope are now convinced by the ample demonstrations submitted on November, 10th ult. that their apprehensions, though perhaps prudent, were not well founded—The Board invite such, generously to acknowledge their conviction of the success and obvious utility of this association, and to attest it by their prompt membership, and future exertions in its behalf.

The following scheme of premiums was then submitted to the Board, and adopted, for the next Cattle Show.

CROPS.

For the best five contiguous acres of Wheat, to be not less than 30 bushels per acre	$8
For the best five contiguous acres of Indian Corn, to be not less than 60 bushels per acre	8
For the best five contiguous acres of Hay, to be not less than ten ton	8
For the best entire acre of Potatoes, to be not less than 250 bushels,	8
For the best acre of Carrots, not less than 400 bushels	8
For the best acre of Mangel Wurtzel not less than 800 bushels	8
For the best Stallion	10
For the best Mare	8

NEAT CATTLE.

For the best Bull over 2 years	10
For the best Bull under 2 years	8
For the best milch Cow	8
For the best Heifer not over 2 years	8
For the best pair of well broke Oxen	8
For the best fatted Beef	6

SWINE.

For the best Boar, over one year	5
For the best Boar, under one year	5
For the best breeding Sow, litter of pigs to accompany her	5
For the best sow Pig, under ten months old	5

SHEEP.

For the best Ram	5
2d best Ram	3
For the best Ewe	5
2d best Ewe	3
For the best lot of Weathers, not less than 6 in number	6

DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES.

For the best bolt of Flannel, not less than 10 yards	4
For the best piece of Kersey not less than 20 yards	4
For the best Lindsey, not less than 10 yards	4
For the best Carpeting, not less than 20 yards	5
For the second best Carpeting,	4
For the best Hearth Rug	4
For the second best Hearth Rug	3
For the best Counterpane	4
For the best Linen Sheeting, not less than 10 yards	4
For the best Linen Diaper, for table cloths	4
For the best Towelling Linen Diaper Do	4
For the best pair knit Woollen Stockings	3
For the best pair knit Cotton Stockings	3

IMPLEMENTS OF HUSBANDRY.

For the best Agricultural Implement that may be considered new and worthy of patronage	5

BUTTER.

For the best fresh Butter, not less than five pounds	4
For the 2d best Do Do	3
For the best Potted Butter, not less than three months old, nor less than ten pounds	4
For the 2d best Do	3

FERMENTED LIQUORS.

For a sample of the best barrel of Cider of any age	4

PLOUGHING MATCHES.

For the best Ploughing by 2 Horses	6
2d best Do	5
To each successful Ploughman	3—6

JOSESH E. MUSE, President.
JOHN H. HOOPER, Secretary.

☞ The Orphan's Court of Dorchester county will sit on MONDAY next, the 13th of February.—Regular Court on TUESDAY th 14th.

MARRIED,

In this town, on Thursday evening last, by the Rev Mr. Smith, Mr. *John Parvin*, to Miss *Jane Flint*.

On Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Judd, Mr. *William Mills*, to Miss *Maria Byus*, both of this county.

NOTICE.

I intend to take the Depositions of Nelly Wright, Jonathan Becks and wife, and Rebecca Medford, on SATURDAY the 18th of February next, at the house of Bell & Lucas, at Hunting Creek, between the hours of 12 and 4 o'clock, respecting the age of Nancy Shannahan.

ALGERNON THOMAS.

Jan 11 2w

Caution.

My wife ANN having left my bed and board, all persons are hereby cautioned against crediting her on my account, as I am determined to pay no debts of her contracting, after this date.

JOHN EASHAM.

Feb 11 3w

Billiards.

The subscriber respectfully informs his old customers and the public generally, that he has taken the BILLIARD TABLE attached to Mr. Flint's tavern. It is in excellent order, and not surpassed by any on the Eastern Shore. He will be constantly in attendance, and persons visiting the table, may rest assured, that nothing shall be wanting on his part, to render every thing as comfortable and convenient, as possible. He confidently hopes for a share of the patronage of the public. WM. C. MILLINGTON.

N. B. Gentlemen can at all times be furnished with the choicest liquors at the bar. W. C. M.

Feb 11 tf

Stop the Runaway.

Ranaway from the subscriber, on the 27th of September last, a negro boy named EPHRAIM FOSTER—he is 5 feet 5 or 8 inches high, well made, yellow complexion, with the appearance of having the scald head—His clothing not recollected. He formerly belonged to Mrs. Ann Tyler.—If taken in this state a reward of twenty five dollars will be given; if out of the state, fifty dollars.

BENJAMIN SLACUM,
Living near John McKnight's, Esq.
Dorchester county.

Feb 11 tf

MARYLAND.

Dorchester County Orphan's Court, February 6, 1826.

On application of *Stephen Andrews*, Exec'r. of *Robert Medford*, of N. late of Dorchester county, deceased, it is ordered, that she give the notice required by law for the creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks, in the newspaper printed in the town of Cambridge.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of Dorchester county Orphan's Court, I have hereunto set my Hand and the Seal of my office affixed, this 6th day of February, in the year of our Lord 1826.

(SEAL.)

WM. W. ECCLESTON,
Reg'r of Wills for Dorchester c'ty.

IN obedience to the law and the order of the honourable Orphans' Court of Dorchester county, this is to give notice, that the subscriber of Dorchester county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Robt. Medford*, of *N.* late of said county, dec. All persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the proper vouchers thereof to the subscriber, on or before the 9th day of August, 1826, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 6th day of February, anno domini, 1826.

STEPHEN ANDREWS, Ex'r.
of Robt. Medford, of N. dec'd.

☞ All persons indebted to the above estate are requested to make immediate payment. Feb 11 3w*

MARYLAND.

Dorchester County Orphan's Court, February 6, 1826.

On application of *Stephen Andrews*, administrator d. b. n. of *Charles Lowe*, late of Dorchester county, deceased, it is ordered, that he give the notice required by law for the creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of *three successive weeks*, in the newspaper printed in the town of Cambridge.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of Dorchester county Orphan's Court, I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of my office affixed, this 9th day of August, in the year of our Lord, 1826.

(SEAL.)

WM. W. ECCLESTON,
Reg'r of Wills for Dorchester c'ty.

IN obedience to the law and the order of the honorable Orphans' Court of Dorchester county, this is to give notice, that the subscriber of Dorchester county, hath obtained from the Orphans' court of said county; in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Charles Lowe*, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 9th day of Aug. 1826, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 6th day of February, anno domini, 1826.

STEPHEN ANDREWS, Admr. d. b. n.
of Charles Lowe, dec'd.

☞ All persons indebted to the above estate are requested to make immediate payment. Feb 11 3w

MARYLAND.

Dorchester County Orphans' Court, February 6, 1826.

On application of *Solomon Kirwan*, administrator of *Thomas Creighton*, late of Dorchester county, deceased, it is ordered, that they give the notice required by law for the creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of *three successive weeks*, in the newspaper printed in the town of Cambridge.

In testimony that the foregoing is truly copied from the minutes of the proceedings of Dorchester county Orphan's Court, I have hereunto set my hand and the Seal of my office affixed, this 6th day of February, in the year of our Lord, 1826.

(SEAL.)

M. W. ECCLESTON,
Reg'r of Wills for Dorchester c'ty

IN obedience to the law and the order of the honorable Orphans' Court of Dorchester county, this is to give notice, that the subscribers of Dorchester county have obtained from the Orphan's court of said county in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Thomas Creighton*, late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, on or before the 9th day of August, 1826, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 6th day of February, anno domini, 1826.

SOLOMON KIRWAN, Admr.
of Thomas Creighton, dec'd.

☞ All persons indebted to the above estate are requested to make immediate payment. Feb 11 3w

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