sail of French line of battle ships had been seen on the 16th of Dec. in lat. 45, long. 10, steering a course supposed for the West-Indies, his honor thinks it necessary, as a measure of precaution, to acquaint you therewith, for the information of the parish of which you are chief magistrate. The commander in chief directs me to add that he has caused circular letters to be written to the colonels and commanding officers of the militia regiments and troops of horse, throughout the island, to have a general muster of their respective corps immediately, and to report for his excellency's satisfaction the state of their several commands, as it may be necessary to call them into action, suddenly, at no distant period.

I have the honor to be, Sir, your most obedient humble servant,

S. TYRELL, Sec.

Custos or Chief Magistrate of——.

Captain Peile, of the resolution, of Liverpool which vessel arrived on Wednesday at Port-Morant, has favoured us with the following extract from his log-book, from which we have every reason to hope, that a British squadron, of equal force, is closely treading on the heels of the enemy:

"On the 16th December, in lat. 35, 30, long. 11, at day-light, perceived a French fleet, in two divisions, one in the S. E. quarter, and the other in the N. W. About 8 A. M. the Commodore (the Arethusa) made a signal for the fleet to heave to, which was immediately obeyed. At half-past 8 the Commodore stood into the fleet with the signal to disperse, and for an enemy in sight. He then stood to the N. N. W. with about 10 sail, accompanied by the Boadicea frigate and the Wasp sloop. At ten the whole of the enemy's squadron consising of 14 line of battle ships, a frigate, a sloop of war, and a brig pursued the commodore. At 11 stood to the S. E. crossing the hause of the enemy's leading ship almost within gun-shot to the leeward, when, the admiral making a signal, two of the enemy's two deckers stood after us, and chased us till 3 P. M. only the sternmost ships of their fleet being in sight to the N. W.

The two ships then tacked, and joined their fleet: we steered a S. S. E. course till dark and due W. all night. At daylight on the 17th, saw 14 or 15 sail of very large ships astern, some lying to, and others steering different ways, apparently as if they had lost scent of their pursuit, which we conjectured to be the English fleet."

The Ellen is 35 days from Angola, and 8 from Dominica. She has 269 slaves on board, and was bound to New-Providence, but has put in here in distress. At Dominica she learnt, that in consequence of information of 14 sail of the line having escaped from Brest, martial law had been proclaimed, but on the day of the Ellen's departure it was taken off, two frigates having arrived at Prince Rupert's, with an account of the arrival of Sir John T. Duckworth at Barbadoes with five sail of the line and several frigates.

Vice-Admiral Lord Collingwood on the 11th ult. was off Carthagena, blockading the Spanish squadron in that port, with the following ships, viz.

Britannia, 100 guns, Rear Admiral W. Earl of Northesk, Capt. C. Bullen; Queen 98, Vice-Admiral Collingwood, Capt. F. Peader; Dreadnought, 98, Capt. J. Conn; Prince 98, R. Grindall; Minotaur 74, C. J. M. Mansfield; Thunderer 74, Lieut. J. Stockham. (act.) another 74, name unknown; 2 frigates, and 2 sloops of war.

It is supposed that the ships that were off Cadiz would proceed to join Lord Collingwood off Carthagena.

In consequence of information received from capt. Langford, of the Lark sloop of war, of the capture by the Rochefort squadron of the vessels for Africa under his convoy, Sir J. T. Duckworth had sailed in quest of them with the following ships of the line, viz.

Conopus, 80 guns, Rear Admiral T. Louis, capt. F. W. Austin—Donnegal 80, P. Malcolm—Tigre 80, B. Hallowell—Powerful 74, R. Plampin—Spencer 74, hon. R. Stopford—Agamemnon 74, sir E. Berry, knt. and another 74, supposed to be the Ajax, lieut. J. Pilford, (acting).

Wilmington, N. C. Feb. 13.

WILMINGTON AGAIN IN ASHES.

On Tuesday last this truly unfortunate town was once more visited by that worst of all calamities FIRE, which has laid in ruins its most valuable and beautiful parts—about 2 o'clock in the morning of that day, the bake-house occupied by John B. Gamache, on the north side of Market-Street, immediately opposite the printing office, was discovered to be enveloped in flames, and before the alarm became general and the citizens could assemble, communicated to an adjoining two story wooden building, which was so far consumed as to defy all exertion to check the progress of the devouring element to the elegant new brick house of John Lord on the east, and Dr. N. Hill's on the west: from thence it extended northwardly through that whole square, down Market Street to the river, up Front Street on both sides to Princess Street, and thence up that street on both sides to Second Street; and in this extensive range the only buildings which escaped are Mr. John Martin's, corner of Front and Princess Street, a small wooden building of major Walker, corner of Princess and Second Streets, two fire proof ware houses back of Market Street, near the wharf, owned by Messrs. Richard Bradley and Alexander Hostler, and a ware house on Princess Street, belonging to the estate of Peter Mallet. The unfortunate situation of the Court-house (in the centre of the small square formed by the intersection of Market and Front Streets, with a *wooden roof,* exactly calculated to convey the flames to the four quarters of the town) required every exertion at that point, to prevent the fire from crossing Market Street—We rejoice and are grateful for the success of that exertion, by which alone what remains of the town to the southward was saved.

The amount of loss sustained cannot be computed at less than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. The number of dwelling houses, ware houses and stores destroyed, is about 70, and the loss in goods no doubt very great. There were upwards of 70 bales of cotton, (purchased on account of a house in New-York) and a number of other valuable articles, consumed in the new brick store of Wilkings, Scott & Co.

The friendly and prompt assistance rendered at this distressing time, by the strangers, captains of vessels and their crews, will be remembered by the citizens of Wilmington, with gratitude.

While the editor bewails this sad catastrophe and laments its consequences to many of his fellow-citizens, he has cause to rejoice and be thankful, that he is not among the number of unfortunate sufferers. The only injury he sustained was the derangement of his printing apparatus in the hurry of moving, which will necessarily preclude the publication of the Wilmington Gazettee next week.

FOR SALE,

A COUPLE OF HORSES,

Suitable for a Hack or Family use—Apply at *MRS. WILSON's at the Six Buildings.*

Feb. 26—1t

ATTENTION.

A good HOUSE in a central and convenient part of George Town, completely furnished or without the furniture, may be had on reasonable terms (for seven or nine months). *For further information, apply to the printer hereof.*

Feb 26—3t

By order of the Orphan's Court

of Prince George's county, the subscriber will offer at public vendue on Tuesday the 26th March next at MILL TOWN near Magruder's Ferry on a credit of 12 months, all the personal estate of Wm. Wilson deceased, consisting of stock, household furniture, &c the purchaser to give bond with good security.

ALEXANDER GIBBONS.

Prince George's county }
Feb. 26—3t }

Painful it is for me to give the following NOTICE,

But absolute NECESSITY compels me.

IN September last, I gave public notice to all those who stood indebted to me, that my books were posted and proved; and that no further credit would be given even to my best friends; but contrary to my firm determination, that resolution lasted but a few days, and with concern I say it, since that period my book debts have increased nearly

NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

For a person with my small capital having so much money out, it is impossible for me to support my credit, with that punctuality, which is so much my wish. I am therefore resolved to leave this town on the 10th day of July next; and retire to some peaceful abode where Honor and Honesty reigns, and where the Upright and Good Man will have justice done him over the Rogue and Swindler—for such are the Laws of this Territory, though the capital of America, (and with shame I say it) there is no distinction made between the Man of Honor, who, though Poor, will pay his debts, and the Rogue and Swindler, who retires to, and resides in this Territory, well knowing it to be an ASYLUM for VILLAINY—the former will call and pay you when able; the latter will have the audacity to shew you Ten fold the amount in cash that he owes you, and bid you defiance to sue him; for, says he, "I have no property"—though at the same time, through some employment or other, he enjoys an income of from 5 to 800 DOLLARS per year—this is a "Liberty" indeed, the boast of our country! but no Justice. As my stay in this place will be but short, and as I do not wish to leave it one cent in debt, I earnestly entreat those who stand indebted to me to make immediate payment; by which, they will avoid such a measure being taken, as they are little aware of. For if I cannot have Justice done me, I have this consolation, that I have a Resort yet left, which, if they have any SHAME, or one spark of HONOR for their characters, they will avoid my putting in force, for a galled horse will wince.

GEORGE PITT.

N. B. A person authorised by me will call on them in a few days, when it is hoped they will be prepared to settle their respective balances.

☞ To avoid the necessity of a refusal, I request no one will ask for credit, except those to whom I stand indebted. G. P.

George Town, Ter. of Col }
Feb. 8——2awtf }

Twenty Dollars Reward.

WILL be given for apprehending and securing in jail, negroe WALLACE—he ran off in the month of November last, & has since been seen in Washington city, where I suppose he is still lurking, as he is acquainted with Mr. Thos. Washington's Negroes of that place. He is about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, not exceeding 23 years of age, very likely, well made, bright mulatto, with black eyes, and stutters when abruptly spoken to. He carried of a good suit of clothes with him, having at some times acted in the capacity of ostler.

If he is delivered to me at my residence, in King George County, Virginia, I will give 20 DOLLS. besides what the law allows.

TOWNSHEND DADE.

Albion, 26——5t.

GARDENING.

JUST PUBLISHED, by BERNARD M'MAHON, *at his Grass and Garden Seed Warehouse, No. 129, Chesnut street, Philadelphia,*

A NEW & EXTENSIVE TREATISE ON AMERICAN GARDENING;

Price full bound and lettered, 3 dollars 50 cents.

The title, as in the following Copy Right, viz.

DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA, to wit:

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on the twenty-eighth day of January, in the thirtieth year of the independence of the United States of America, A. D. 1806, BERNARD M'MAHON, of the said district, hath deposited in this office, the title of a book, the right whereof he claims as author, in the words following to wit:

"THE AMERICAN GARDENER'S CALENDER, adapted to the climates, and seasons of the United States; containing a complete account of all the work necessary to be done in the kitchen garden, fruit garden, orchard, vineyard, nursery, pleasure ground, flower garden, green-house, hot house, and forcing frames for every month in the year; with ample practical directions for performing the same. Also general as well as minute instructions, for laying out or erecting, each and every of the above departments, according to modern taste, and the most approved plans; the ornamental planting of pleasure grounds, in the ancient and modern stile; the cultivation of thorn quicks, and other plants suitable for live hedges, with the best method of making them, &c. To which are annexed, extensive catalogues of the different kinds of plants which may be cultivated either for use or ornament in the several departments, or in rural economy; divided into eighteen alphabetical classes, according to their habits, duration and mode of culture; with explanatory introductions, marginal marks, and their true Linnean or botanical as well as English names, together with a copious index to the body of the work, by BERNARD M'MAHON, nursery, seedsman, and florist."

In conformity to the act of the Congress of the U. S intituled, "an Act for the encouragement of learning, by securing the copies of maps, charts, and books, to the authors and proprietors of such copies during the times therein mentioned." And also to the act, entitled, "an Act, supplementary to an act, entitled "act for the encouragement of learning by securing the copies of maps, charts and books, to the authors and proprietors of such copies during the times therein mentioned," and extending the benefits thereof to the arts of designing, engraving, and etching historical and other prints."

D. CALDWELL,

(L. S.) Clerk of the Dist. C. of *Pennsylvania.*

M'MAHON, is constantly supplied with a general assortment of fresh GARDEN SEEDS suitable for cultivation in the U. S. and in the West Indies; grass seeds of various kinds, such as read and white clover, lucern, trefoil, field, burnet, sainfoin, timothy, herd, orchard and ray grass, lentils, spring vetches, &c. & an immense variety of tree, shrub, and flower seeds and roots, procured from various parts of Europe, Asia, Africa and America; spades, shovels, rakes, hoes, reels, lines, trowels, edging-irons garden shears, watering pots pruning, budding and grafting knives, &c. Bulb-glasses, bass mats, glass suitable for hot-bed lights and other forcing departments, hemp, rape, millet, canary and maw seeds for bird feeding, &c. Split and whole peas, for boiling, best English flour of mustard, and every other article appertaining to his line of business, ALL of which he disposes of, wholesale and retail, on the most moderate terms.

The more effectually to accommodate his customers he has connected with the seed trade, a botanical, agricultural and horticultural book store, where a great variety of the most valuable publications on those subjects, may now be had. This with, with the seed business, he is determined to extend to the utmost of his abilities; and he flatters himself, that by his assiduous endeavors to procure every kind of seed or plant, which may add to, or improve our present variety of important vegetable productions, or that may indulge the curious, gratify the naturalist, or increase the number of our ornamental plants, he will with the patronage of a patriotic public, be enabled to render this establishment, not only useful to himself, but of considerable advantage to the community at large.

He again earnestly invites the admirers of plants in every nation or country, as well as in every state or territory of the union, to an exchange of mutual services; that is to say; he is desirous of procuring from them, the seeds of such trees, shrubs grasses, herbaceous flowering & esculent plants, as grow wild or are indigenous in their respective countries or neighborhoods; for which he will make ample remuneration in any other kinds that may be desired, and in his power to give. He does not consider it absolutely necessary that the persons who may collect those seeds for an exchange with him should know the botanical or even the common names of the plants producing them; but if they do either, particularly the former, should be written on each package; if not he would thank them to number each parcel, and to send him such corresponding descriptions as may be found convenient; remarking the kind of soil and situation in which each sort has been found to grow most luxuriantly. The sooner after being collected and sufficiently dried, that they could be forwarded to him the better.

Feb 26—w3t

To be Sold,

Or EXCHANGED for other property in the CITY, or its vicinity.

TWO valuable and contiguous TRACTS of LAND in the state of Kentucky, the one containing 6880 acres, and the other 6231 acres, by late resurvey. They are under old and indisputable titles of more than twenty years, and situate in a populous county, adjoining flourishing settlements. All taxes thereon have been duly paid. Apply to the subscriber,

JOHN BECKLEY.

City of Washington, }
November 6—wtf }

DR. MAGRUDER,

HAS for sale, an extensive assortment of drugs and medicine, patent medicines, shop furniture, confectionary, perfumes, spices, die stuffs, oil, paints, window glass, glaziers diamonds, books and stationary paper hangings, &c.—among them are the best yellow and red bark, salt petre, Glaubers salts, calomel, jalap, tartar emetic, magnesia, sago, tapioca, arrow root, pearl barley, aqua fortis, oil of vitriol, Hooper's, Anderson's, and Whitehead's essence of mustard, Lee's New London and Windham bilious pills, British oil, essence peppermint, Solomon's anti impetigines or balm of gilead, Godfrey's cordial, Bateman's and Jesuit's drops, Daffy's elixer, Ching's and Hamilton's worm destroying lozenges, essential salt of lemons, Harlem's oil, Church's cough drops, Turlington's balsam, quinta essentia, solis or gold tincture, essence worm seed, Steer's opodeldoc, court plaister, tooth powder, and brushes, Napies and Windsor soap, pomatum, essence of burgamot, lemons and oranges, eau de luce, nutmegs, cinnamon, ginger, cloves, mace, white mustard seed, long pepper, surgeons pocket instruments, cupping and amputating instruments in cases, spring trusses, pearl ashes, logwood, fustic, red wood, madder, alum copperas, Spanish indigo, powdered and fig blue, red and yellow arnotto, gold beater skins, best winter strained lamp oil, about six hundred gallons of linseed oil which he will sell cheap by the cask; white lead, yellow ochre, Spanish brown, dry and ground in oil, red lead, venetian red, vermillion, Prussian blue, patent green and yellow, blue verditor yellow orpement, drop lake, Dutch and rose pink lamp and ivory black, rotten and pumice stone, black lead, red and white chalk, water colors in boxes, flake white, turpentine, japan, copal and spirit varnish, camel's hair pencils, painters brushes, silver and gold leaf, Dutch metal, American and Russian glue, maccaboy snuff, orange flower water, tamarinds and every article of medicine and paint that is necessary to compose a compleat assortment, which he is determined to sell at the most reduced prices, especially to those that deal largely—8 by 10, 10 by 12, 12 by 14, 15, 16 and 18, 13 by 18, 14 by 19 15 by 20 and 17 by 22 window glass; the domestic encyclopædea, Denon's travels in Egypt, Hume's history of England, Lorenzo de Medici, Mosheims church history, Miller's retrospect detailing the many improvements in science, arts and literature of the eighteenth century, Millot's general history, Plutarch's lives, Kottebue's plays, Johnson's lives of the English poets quarto bibles with elegant engravings, a variety of religious books and sermons; a compleat assortment of English, Latin, Greek and French school books, almanacs, copy and cyphering books, copper plate copies, playing cards, pocket books, timothy and red clover seed, rosin by the barrel, &c.

January 8——3t&w6t

On the first day of April next, or (if not fair) on the next fair day at noon, will be offered at

PUBLIC SALE

To the highest bidder, for ready money, that very desireable and well known estate formerly the property of James Wormeley, esq.

Called THE ROCKS;

Situated upon the river Shenandoah, in the county of Jefferson, Virginia. It consists of 900 acres of Land (by estimation) more than one third in woods, and has upon it a variety of the most useful improvements with a large scope of river bottom and other distinguished natural advantages. The upland is remarkably adapted to the use of plaister & very productive. It will be sold either in one body, or in the convenient divisions of—the farm—the mills—the distillery—and the Ferry with a small tavern for the accommodation of travellers; to each of which a suitable quantity of Land will be attached, by a division to be made previous to the sale.

This farm of about 760 acres with plenty of wood and water, including 80 acres of the richest river bottom, and the rest of the arable Land of an excellent quality, with a large and commodious dwelling, the necessary out houses, two barns, &c. &c may be had at a price which deserves the attention of any gentlemen who wishes a farm detached from the mill property, &c.

Also at the same time, on the same terms, a handsome little tract of 300 acres within two miles of the Rocks called

THE MEADOW FARM,

About 2-3ds in wood, with fine meadow ground——arable Land, well adapted to the use of plaister, a good mill seat with a constant stream, constant springs of water, and comfortable farm houses.

Also, a little farm of only 115 acres 3 4ths still uncleared, adjacent to the Meadow Farm.

The object in this sale being to raise as much money as may be necessary to release the only incumbrance that exists on the above property; if the several purchasers produce the sum required, they will respectively be allowed a credit of part of the purchase money, as an inducement to them to buy as largely as they may wish to do; and no money will be required, but in exchange for a clear deed.

FERDINANDO FAIRFAX.

Charles Town, Dec. 23, 1805—3t—wtf

N. B. The sale will take place at the Rocks; and should any of the above land be previously disposed of by private sale, notice will be published in due time.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

WILL be given for apprehending and securing in jail a young Mulatto man slave named ANDREW. He was hired by me last year to Mr. Joseph Thomas who keeps the said ferry to Alexandria, and absconded from that place about the latter end of August last. He is about 23 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, lusty and well made, has short curly hair, and is frequently subject to have several large pimples on his face. He is reckoned to be a sensible fellow of an easy agreeable address for a man in his low sphere of life. As he has not been heard of by me since his elopement, I suspect he has had the address to ship himself as a freeman on board some vessel either at Alexandria or Baltimore. Whoever takes him up and secures him in jail shall receive from me the above reward, as soon as due information thereof is given to me or to Dr. N. P. Causin at Port Tobacco.

G. B. CAUSIN.

Maryland Charles County,
January 29—wtf

FOR SALE.

A Handsome two story BRICK HOUSE, 22 feet front by 34 feet back, with a kitchen stable and carriage house, its situation for a public or private dwelling is superior to any house near the Navy Yard. It commands a perfect view of the Yard and shipping and is now rented for 300 dollars per annum. I will also sell a valuable unimproved Lot near the premises in sq. 881—young negroes will be taken in part payment. For terms apply to the subscriber living near the Navy Yard, or to Mr. Samuel M'Intire.

NICHOLAS VOSS.

Washington, Feb. 14—wtf

PLOUGHS.

THE subscribers take this method to inform the farmers that they have now on hand and purpose keeping ready for sale, a number of Large three horse ploughs, (such as are used and recommended by Mr. Thomas Moore) Mr G. W. Riggs will attend to any orders given, and give information of the terms—some of them may be seen in Mr M'Laughlin's yard, as the great advantage of deep ploughing has been so sufficiently proved by some years experience, it is presumed that every farmer who studies his own interest and the improvement of his farm will get some of those most useful and much admired ploughs.

JOHN THOMAS, 3d, & Co.

Feb 17—2t

THE Subscriber informs the public and his friends in general that he has commenced business near the NAVY YARD, where he has for sale an assortment of GROCERIES among which are

Genuine old Madeira, }
London particular, do. } WINES.

A few bags of Green Coffee,
Hyson, Young Hyson, &.
Imperial Teas, fresh, and of a superior quality.

JOSEPH CASSIN.

Feb 21—3t

Valuable Property For Sale.

THE Subscriber offers for sale a number of valuable heights convenient to the city of Washington about 2 1 2 miles from the President's House and near the same distance from the Capitol, and command a handsome view of the City, river Potomac, and Alexandria. Lot No. 1. contains 60 acres, No. 2 contains 42 acres. No. 3 contains 102 acres. No. 4 contains 19 acres; Likewise a lot lying between John Tayloe, and Dr. Worthington, containing from 80 to 100 acres. Those lots will be sold together or apart as may suit purchasers.

Terms may be known by applying to James White or Rev. John Brackenridge near the property. Jan 24 wtf.

IRON WORKS

ON POTOMAC.

The Subscriber has for Sale

or Rent, a good seat for a Furnace upon the North Branch of Potomac in Hampshire county, with plenty of ore already investigated at considerable expence and found to be good, a constant and sufficient stream with upwards of 30 feet fall, and the wood of more than 9000 acres of well timbered land; enough of which is arrable to form a complete establishment. Connected with this may also be rented the forge built by Mr. John Potts at the Great Falls of Potomac, now the property of the subscriber. It is conceived that these two seats are particularly worthy of the notice of Iron Masters of capital; as they are fully adequate to the supply of iron, in its various forms, to an extensive country, having great demand for that article, both above and below the Blue Ridge. The Hampshire property is free from every incumbrance, and the payment of a very few thousand dollars due to the proprietor of the fee simple at the Great Falls (my lease of which is for upwards of 900 years at a low rent) for rents in arrears prior to my purchase, will render this property clear; and afford a complete establishment for all the various manufactures of Iron, as well as for mills, with a convenient farm, &c. &c.

I have seats equally eligible (if not superior) for furnace and forge, upon the river Shanandoah in this county, with ore, wood, and water, all convenient and abundant: which may be rented for a long term of years, with rich farming land attached thereto.

FERDINANDO FAIRFAX.

Charles town, Jefferson Co. Virg.
November 26—wtf

FOR SALE.

ALL that tract of land which I purchased from Mrs. Mary Jenkins and on which I now reside lying in St. Mary's county on the Chesapeake bay three miles from St. Inigoes creek, containing 700 acres more or less. The advantages of this land are numerous, 400 acres are in wood abounding in oak, locust and poplar. The bay shore affords an inexhaustible source of excellent manure in the sea weed or sea oar as it is commonly called which is at all seasons thrown up in great quantities and is of easy access, lying immediately along side of the fields. No place can be better adapted than this for stock of all kinds. The woods yield abundance of acorns, and it abounds in grounds well calculated for meadows that produce great quantities of grass. The improvements of this place are likewise considerable. There are on it a good brick dwelling house, every necessary out house, a small water mill, and two tenements now under rent, besides all necessary fencing in good repair. Moreover there are many convenient springs of good water that do not fail in the driest seasons—its situation renders it almost superfluous to mention that it lies convenient to the Baltimore, Norfolk and Alexandria markets. This valuable tract of land I will sell for one 4th cash and the remainder in one, two and three years.

WILFRED MANNING.

Great Mill, Jan. 31—3.&wtf