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Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of a fi. fa. to me directed at the suit of James Thomas against Anthony Toomy, will be sold on Tuesday the 5th August next, on the Court House Green, between 11 and 3 o'clock the following property, viz: one half of a house and lot in Easton, situate on Church Alley.

Seized and taken to satisfy the above named claim.

E. N. HAMBLETON, Sh'ff.

july 8 5w

Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas' to me directed, against Thomas Robinson, at the suit of Jacob Loockerman, will be sold on Saturday 16th August next, on the premises, between 3 and 6 o'clock, P. M. all the right, title, interest and claim, legal and equitable of him the said Robinson, of, in and to about eighty acres of land, part of the farm or plantation on which Samuel Robinson now resides, in Ferry Neck, being part of a tract of land, called 'Clayhope' a tract or part of a tract of land called 'Old Woman's Folly' and part of a tract of land called 'Cumberland.'

E. N. HAMBLETON, Sh'ff.

july 22 4w

Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of sundry Venditioni Exponas' to me directed, against Richard Harrington, deceased, at the suits of the following persons, to wit: Patrick M'Neal, use of Thomas B. Baker, Lambert Reardon, Joseph Harrison, Jacob Myers and John W. Sherwood, will be sold in the town of St. Michaels, on Saturday the 23d of August next, the following property, to wit: all his right, title, interest and claim, of, in and to four lots of ground in the Town of St. Michaels, with the improvements thereon. Also one Lot near St. Michaels, and opposite Nathan Harrington's Gate, said to contain three and a quarter acres of land, 1 cow, 1 cart, 2 beds bedstead and furniture, 1 bureau, 1 sideboard, 6 windsor chairs, 1 cupboard and contents, 1 plough, 1 looking glass and 2 dining tables. Taken and will be sold to satisfy the debt, interest and cost of the above claims.

E. N. HAMBLETON. Shff.

july 29 4w

Anderton for sale.

This valuable Farm lies in Oxford Neck, in Talbot county, containing 268 acres, and the arable land is divided into three fields of about 50 acres each. It is handsomely situated on Third Haven creek, leading to Easton, and in view of the steam boat Maryland. This land is considered of the first quality, having a sufficiency of wood, and well watered.

Those wishing to purchase such a farm are invited to examine it *themselves*. If it should not be sold at private sale by Tuesday the 5th day of August next, it will, on that day, be offered at public sale, at Mr. Lowe's tavern in Easton, between the hours of 3 and 4 o'clock in the evening; when the terms will be made known.

JOHN LEIGH.

Leonard Town, St. Mary's county, july 8 5w

Trustee's sale.

BY virtue of a decree of Talbot county court, at November term 1821, the subscriber will sell at public sale, on Tuesday the 12th day of August next, between the hours of 11 and 3 o'clock, at the Court House in Easton,

A HOUSE AND LOT,

on Washington street, the property of Elmira, Ferdinand, and Nicholas Rowlenson, (infants.)——A credit of twelve months will be given, the purchaser giving bond with approved security, with interest from the day of sale; upon a ratification of the sale by the court, and a payment of the whole of the purchase money, the trustee is authorised to make the purchaser a good and sufficient deed for the same.

ALEXANDER B. HARRISON, Trustee.

july 15 5w

Notice.

BY virtue of a covenant in a deed of Indenture made and executed by Joseph Anthony, to the President and Directors of the Bank of Caroline, will be sold on Tuesday the 16th day of September next, for cash, between the hours of 12 and 3 o'clock, P. M. in the village of Denton, at the Court House door—the following tracts and parts of tracts of Land in Caroline county, or so much thereof as will satisfy a claim held by the Bank of Caroline against the said Lands, viz: part of a tract originally called Pearson's Chance, but now in virtue of a resurvey called Anthony & Carey, or by whatsoever name or names the same may be called, containing 128 Acres of land, more or less: also one other tract or part of a tract adjoining the aforesaid land, supposed to contain 17 Acres more or less, let the same be called or known by whatsoever name or names it may be. The said land formerly belonged to the said Joseph Anthony, deceased, and were deeded by him to the said Bank to secure the said claim. The President and Directors of the said Bank will therefore give the purchaser or purchasers a good title to said land or so much as shall be sold.

By order of the President and Directors of said Bank,

JENIFER S. TAYLOR, Agent.

Bank of Caroline, Denton, july 15 10w

Notice.

BY virtue of a covenant in a deed of indenture made and executed by Levin Farrington, to the President, Directors and Company of the Farmers' Bank of Maryland, will be sold on Monday the eighteenth day of August next for cash, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock, P. M. at the house of Dr. Sam'l. James, in Somerset county, the following tracts and parts of tracts of lands in said county, or so much thereof as will satisfy a claim held by the said Farmers' Bank of Maryland against said lands, viz: part of a tract called Weatherly's purchase, part of a tract called Wilton, part of a tract called Salisbury Plains, a tract called Train's Lot, a tract called Farrington's Adventure, & part of a tract called Morris's Lot. The said lands formerly belonged to the said Levin Farrington, dec'd. and were deeded by him to the said Bank to secure the said claim. The President, Directors and Company of said Bank will therefore give the purchaser or porchasers a good title to the said lands, or so much as shall be sold.

By order of the President, Directors & Company of the said Bank.

EDWARD AUSTIN,
Agent and Assignee.

june 17 2m

Land for Sale on Credit.

TO be sold at Public Veudue on the Court House Green on 3d day the 12th of the 8th month next, the following property, viz:

1st. A Farm in the Forks of John Bennett's Mill Pond, on which William Davis now resides, containing 182 acres of land more or less. This Farm is well adapted to the growth of the different kinds of grain and clover, and has a fertile soil susceptible of great improvement at a small expence. Persons wishing to purchase are invited to view the property.

2d. A small Lot situated on Miles River Road, where Thomas Wood formerly had a Brick Kiln.

3d. Another Lot situated on the road to Easton Point, 30 feet front by 180 feet deep.

4th. All the right, title and interest of the late William Meluy, deceased, to an undivided 7th part of a tract of Land at the Hole in the Wall, formerly the property of Edward Bromwell, deceased.

A credit of one, two and three years will be given on the Farm, the purchaser giving bond with good security for the purchase money. On the other property a credit of one year will be given & good security required for the payment. Interest will be required from the 1st of the 1st month next.

Sale to commence about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and attendance given by

ROBERT MOORE, Ex'r.
of William Meluy, deceased.

Easton, july 29 3w

For sale.

BY virtue of a decree of the Chancery Court, the subscriber will offer at public sale at 10 o'clock A. M. on Wednesday the 13th of August next, at the tavern in Church Hill, the Real Estate of James G. Rochester, deceased,

A FARM, said to be very valuable, lying near Church Hill, constitutes part of the property. It contains about 320 acres of cleared, and about 180 of wood, and is now occupied by Jno. Green. It is proposed to lay off several

WOOD LOTS

next adjoining to Church Hill, which will lessen the quantity to be sold with the farm

There are also several Houses and Lots in Church Hill, amongst them, the Dwelling now occupied by John S. Blake—the Store House occupied by Robert Jacobs—the one occupied by Valentine Wareham—the one occupied by Wm. Gould, and the House occupied by Richard Costen, with a large Granary on a separate Lot.

The terms of sale are, that the purchaser shall give bond with approved security for the payment of the purchase money with interest from the day of sale, in four equal instalments of 6, 9, 12 and 16 months. Further particulars at the sale.

The creditors of said Jas. G. Rochester are hereby notified to exhibit their claims with the vouchers thereof, into the Chancery Office, within six months from the day of sale.

E. F. CHAMBERS, Trustee.

Chester Town, july 29 3w

Valuable Lands for sale.

By virtue of a Decree of the Orphans' Court of Somerset county (authorized by a private act of assembly) will be offered at public sale to the highest bidder, at the tavern of Henry White, in the town of Salisbury, on SATURDAY the twenty-third day of August next, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock P. M. all that

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE,

Situate in Somerset and Worcester counties, whereof George Slacum, late of Alexandria, in the District of Columbia, died seized, called "MIDDLE NECK, THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE, or SMITH'S CHANCE, and SLACUM'S LOT, together containing Four Hundred and Twenty Acres.

To an enterprising man disposed to invest capital in Real Estate, few farms offer so many advantages. It is situated but three miles from Salisbury, and the public road from that place to Laurel, Del. which divides Somerset and Worcester counties, passes directly through it. Its situation is high and healthful; it yields abundant crops, and the soil is susceptible of the highest improvement. It is convenient to market; has a very valuable apple orchard, every building necessary to its comfort or convenience, and a considerable portion of it is very finely timbered.

The payment of 1000 dollars, on the day of sale, will be required of the purchaser, and a bond with such sureties as the Trustee will approve, for the remainder of the purchase money, payable in two equal instalments of six and twelve months.

IRVING SPENCE, Trustee.

july 29 3w

For Rent,

The house and lot at present occupied by Mrs. Loveday, on Harrison street, and possession given on the first of January next. For terms apply at the Star office.

june 10 w

Camp Meeting.

BY a quarterly Conference held in Somerset Circuit, it was determined that a general Camp Meeting should be held on Nanticoke point, in Somerset county, Md. to commence on the 21st of August, and end on the 26th; the ground selected for the purpose, is a beautiful place on a farm belonging to Capt. Jesse Hughs, opposite Sandy Island, this situation for comfort and convenience, is equal to any on the Bay—an excellent harbour for vessels which will find plenty of water and good anchoring ground within a small distance from the Encampment; those who come in vessels are advised to bring with them drinking water and fire wood, it may be expected that good order will be preserved as the managers are vested with sufficient authority from the state for that purpose.

JAMES DENSTON,
BENJAMIN J. JONES,
BENJAMIN DASHIELL,
HENRY GALE,
JOHN RIDER,
COVINGTON CORDRY,
TURNER DAVIS,
COVINGTON MEZICH,
JONATHAN BARKLEY,
Managers.

july 1 8w

Lands for Rent or Sale.

To be rented for the ensuing year, the several plantations belonging to the subscriber, in Hunting Creek and Poplar neck in Caroline county. Such of the present tenants as wish to continue on their farms are requested to apply for the same by the 10th of July, after which they will be let, without reserve, to the first approved applicants.

The Subscriber offers this body of Land for Sale.—It contains upwards of four thousand acres, has an abundant proportion of very fine Timber, and is beautifully situated on Choptank River, a few miles below Dover Bridge, by the shore of which River it is bounded about two miles.—A very advantageous bargain, and a long credit will be given to any one or more persons, who would purchase the whole of this Land in one contract.

Also to be rented a part of my farm at Shoal-Creek, to be laid off so as to contain from 150 to 250 acres of cleared Land, as may best suit the tenant.

C. GOLDSBOROUGH.

Shoal-Creek, near Cambridge, june 24 10w

For Rent,

The Farm near Easton, now occupied by Mr. Elias Stafford.

This farm lies but little more than a mile from Easton, and is therefore very convenient for the sale of every article usually disposed of by farmers at market. A commodious two-story brick Dwelling House, and a spring of fine water immediately at hand, together with the high and healthy situation of the dwelling house, offer inducements to a respectable family to take a permanent lease. To a substantial tenant I would give a long lease of this farm alone, or together with the adjoining one occupied by Mr. Frampton, with the meadows now in a course of improvement, reserving the meadow which I have heretofore usually reserved. It is desirable that a lease should be immediately taken, as the season is advanced.

☞ The subscriber invites some substantial Delaware or Caroline Farmer to these lands, as the soil is better adapted to corn than wheat.

For rent, also, from the 1st of January next, The UNION TAVERN, in Easton, now occupied by Mr. James C. Wheeler.

JOHN LEEDS KERR.

Easton, july 29 w

To rent,

That large and commodious Establishment in Centreville, which has been occupied for the last 10 years by Mr. Saml. Chaplin, the present tenant. This house perhaps stands in the highest repute of any on the Eastern Shore, and has the command of a very great share of custom. A man of capital has now an opportunity of investing his money to an advantage. For particulars enquire of the present tenant, or the subscriber near Centreville.

PERE WILLMER.

june 17 w

N. B. Mr. Chaplin will accommodate any person wanting the same, with bedding, &c. &c.

Land in Caroline county

FOR SALE.

To be sold pursuant to the last will and testament of Mrs. Mary Trippe, deceased, the Farm or Plantation lately belonging to her, situate and lying in the upper part of Caroline county, on the road leading from Greensborough to the Nine Bridges, and consisting of part of a tract of land called 'Hunter's Forest,' of part of another tract called 'Mount Pleasant,' and of another tract called 'Harrington's Neglect,' and containing about two hundred acres of land.—Persons disposed to purchase will examine the premises; and for the terms of sale, which will be reasonable, they will apply to the subscriber in Easton; who, on the ratification of the contract, will convey an undisputed title.

CHRISTIANA SETH, Trustee.

Easton, sep 24 w

Notice.

ALL persons against whom I hold unsettled Executions, particularly Venditioni's, are desired to take notice that unless they attend at my office, and make satisfactory arrangements for the speedy settlement of the same, their property will be advertised forthwith without respect to persons—It is earnestly hoped this notice will be duly attended to, as I am determined to clear my Docket of a great number of executions that have been on hand for 18 months past, to the great danger of the Sheriff, and injury of the creditors, without any apparent benefit to the debtors.

E. N. HAMBLETON, Shff.

Easton, july 29

N. B. All persons indebted for Officer's Fees to Allen Bowie, deceased, or the subscriber, are hereby requested to make immediate payment, as no longer indulgence will be given.

E. N. H.

FROM THE CHILLICOTHE SUPPORTER.

CANALS.

From the first formation of civil society to the present time, it has been the interest and the duty of every social compact to endeavor to supply the wants of the individuals of that society, and to facilitate the means of procuring the necessaries, the comforts, and even luxuries of life.

Egypt affords the earliest example of civilization; and there we find the first and the greatest specimens of art and refinement. As the country in general was naturally sandy and dry, having but little fresh water except what was afforded by the Nile; and as the inhabitants increased rapidly; it became necessary to provide for them in such a manner, that the land should sustain the greatest possible number; as this would not only increase the wealth of the country, but add greatly to the power of the sovereign.

The ancient valley of the Nile was narrow in proportion to its length; and although it was equal to, if it did not exceed, any part of the earth in fertility, owing to the climate and the annual floods of the Nile; yet the inhabitants soon increased so as to fill the valley, and it was evident that the subsequent surplus must emigrate or be miserable.

The country adjacent to the valley of the Nile in lower Egypt being generally level, with a small decent towards the sea, and not much elevated above the river, it was found practible to take the water out of the river at many places in the upper part of the valley by canals, which, owing to the gradual descent of the country, were made to diverge considerably from the ancient valley in lower Egypt, and by various collateral branches afforded the means of irrigating and rendering highly productive, a large portion of the country which was before a sandy desert. The productive part of the country thus enlarged and filled with inhabitants, who were governed by despotic princes wielding the whole power of the nation, produced those stupendous monuments of art, the very ruins of which now astonish us.—Although these canals were originally constructed for the purpose of supplying the country with fresh water; they were soon found to be very useful for the purposes of navigation, and nearly all the transportation and travel of the country passed on them.

In China, the principal commercial cities are situated nearly in a line from north to south, parallel to the sea coast; and as the general course of the navigable rivers is from west to east, intersecting the principal line of commercial intercourse at right angles, the Chinese at a very early period began to open an artificial navigation by means of canals, in the line of trade. The grand trunk from Pekin to Canton is with its windings about 920 miles long, and 120 feet wide, and from thence there are numerous branches in all directions.

The rivers also, are nearly all of them rendered navigable as far as they afford water enough (when confined to the most convenient shape) to float a boat. They have no locks on their rivers and canals to pass the boat from on level to another; but use sluices and inclined planes, up which the boats are hauled by manual labor, assisted in most instances by capstans and other mechanical powers. It appears to be the policy of the government to find as much employment for the great population of the country in these hydraulic operations as possible; and perhaps this is the reason why no locks and other labor saving facilities have been used—and the reason why the canals are not continued quite into the city of Pekin, but the goods are all carried a short distance by porters. The emperor's barks or canal packets, are 70 feet long, 16 feet wide and 11 feet high—containing a hall, four rooms and a kitchen; and are very regular in their arrivals at, and departures from the different cities on their route.

The aggregrate length of the canals and artificial river navigations in China, is about 5,000 miles; and the particular management of the waters has been recorded in books for the last 1800 years.

In India there are some canals, which like those in Egypt were constructed principally for irrigation, but are also used as channels of commercial intercourse.

In the region of Delhi, there was a considerable tract of country which was barren and uninhabited, because there was no water; until a prince of more observation and less indolence than his predecessors, constructed a canal about 60 miles long, from the river Jumna through this barren tract towards his capital. From the main canal many branches were made in various directions to water the land, which soon became productive & well peopled; adding greatly to the wealth and power of the prince, who became popular in consequence of this measure

The total length of the Indian canal is estimated at 250 miles.

In Greece we find no canals.—Perhaps the peculiar situation of the country, being mountainous and deeply indented with bays & good harbors, around which the inhabitants chiefly resided, together with the continual warfare with their neighbors, rendered artificial navigation unnecessary or impracticable; but it appears very extraordinary, that a country in which the arts and sciencies generally arrived to great perfection, should exhibit so few hydraulic works.

In Italy, the aggregrate length of the canals is about 140 miles, besides a great number of small rivers which are rendered navigable by means of dams, locks and sluices. The first lock was made by a Venetian in 1481; and previous to that time the boats in canals were passed with great difficulty and some danger from one level to another by means of sluices and inclined planes. At Milan, there is a canal consisting of three branches, in all about 26 miles; it is 130 feet wide at the top, 46 feet wide at the bottom, has 11 sluices, and is the largest canal in Italy.

Holland exhibits the most astonishing proofs of patient industry in the contruction of hydraulic works. The whole expense of these works is estimated at 300,000,000 pounds sterling; and if we deduct three fourths of this amount for the expense of constructing the dyes, seagates, &c. the balance would be sufficient to make 10,000 miles of canals at $30,000 per mile. Besides the regular canals which traverse the country in all directions, the inhabitants have dug out and wholly excavated the earth in many places for peat or turf, to the depth of 16 or 18 feet, and for the space of several square miles, from one to 18 or 20; and this depressed surface is called a polder. As the surface of the ground is nearly on a level with the ocean and the large rivers, the polders are protected from inundation by dykes; around which on the outside is a canal called a ringsloot, into which the water raised from the polder is drained, rendered fit for cultivation, and supports a great number of inhabitants.

In France, the aggregrate length of the canals is about 528 miles, including 1 1-4 miles of tunnels. The canal of Languedoc is 148 miles long, 64 feet wide at the top, 34 at the bottom, and 6 1-2 feet deep; having 114 locks, 55 aqueducts and culverts, and 92 bridges. The feeder of the summit level is 38 1-2 miles long, 12 feet wide, and 3 feet deep. This canal was made for the passage of sea vessels from the Atlantic to the Mediterranean.

In Germany, the total length of the canals is about 80 miles.

In Prussia, about 120 miles.

In Russia, about 200 miles.

In Sweden, about 200 miles.

In Denmak, about 50 miles, which is the length of the Holstein canal. It is 100 feet wide at the top, 54 feet at the bottom, and 10 feet deep; it is navigated by sea vessels, about 2,500 of which pass annually.

In England, there are 113 canals, the aggregrate length of which is more than 2.450 miles including 33 1-4 miles of tunnels; having 15,000 feet rise and fall, and requiring 1500 locks at 10 feet lift.—The artifical river navigation, rail ways and inclined planes, are supposed to be equal in the total length to the canals.

In the year 1759, the Duke of Bridgewater commenced the first regular canal in England.—It is 43 3-4 miles long including 3 4 of a mile under ground at his coal mines at Worsley, and carried on one level at great expence, except where it locks down to the Mersey 82 feet. The tunnel in the hill is 6 feet wide and 5 feet high, expanding at several places for boats to pass, and is arched with brick, where there is not rock or coal, having several airshafts to the top of the hill, in some places 110 feet. This canal crosses the river Irweil on a stone aqueduct of 3 arches, 38 feet above the water in the river, admittiug vessels to pass under it with their masts standing.

In Scotland there are 7 canals, the aggregate lengh of which is 135 1-2 miles, the whole rise and fall 1019 feet with 123 locks. The Caledonian canal is 21 1-2 miles long, (exclusive of the lakes which occupy 38 1-2 miles of its course) 120 feet wide at the top, 50 feet wide at the bottom, and 20 feet deep, it has 29 locks from 170 to 180 feet long, 40 feet wide and 20 feet deep. This canal is carried on an embankment 400 yards into the sea to obtain a sufficient depth of water, having a basin 967 by 162 yards and is in dimensions and workmanship the greatest canal in the world.

In Ireland, the whole extent of the canals is about 206 miles, rise and fall 894 feet, with 109 locks.

In America, we shall not look for the splendid monuments of arts which adorn the eastern continent, but the specimens which are already exhibited, prove that we are not following at an immeasureable distance, and may one day dispute the palm with the proudest of our predecessors.

The Middlesex canal from the Merrimac river to Boston harbor, was begun in 1790 and opened in 1804. It is 29 3-4 miles long, 24 feet wide, and 3 feet deep, having 13 locks 90 feet by 12 of excellent masonry. It has 4 aqueducts with stone abutments and piers; one 100 feet long and 10 feet high; one 110 feet long and 16 feet high; one 120 feet long and 30 feet high; 50 bridges with stone abutments; one semicircular basin of 200 feet diameter and 11 feet deep.

In the course of the canal there is one embankment 80 rods long and 25 feet high, one embankment 30 rods across a meadow gradually sunk 60 feet before it stopped, and a cut 800 feet long, 17 feet wide and 7 feet deep through a granite rock. The expense of transporting a ton through the canal is $3 50, of which $1 70 is toll, and $1 80 freight.

The New York canal from Lake Erie to the Hudson river is a noble undertaking. I have not the report of the commissioners before me, and cannot describe it particularly; but that report is in the hands of many. Suffice it to say, that I have seen the canal, and sailed on its surface. I believe it would do honor to any country, and can truly say, if the Ohio canal was as near its completion in the same style, I should be as proud of my citizenship as the ancient Romans were. Roads, canals and public institutions generally, are not only advantageous to those who establish them; but they are of infinite value to posterity. Let us use all our influence to promote the great enterprise in which our state is now engaged; and let us consider that as the best route for the canal, which the commissioners after a faithful examination shall decide upon. Let no local interests or sectional jealousies divide the energies of the state.

It would be absurd for the citizens of one part of the country to find fault with those of another, because they happen to live where the ground was most favorable for the construction of a canal. Our state is rapidly advancing to a high rank in the confederacy; and we shall be unworthy of her, if we do, or suffer any thing to retard her progress.

A. BOURNE.

PUNCTUALITY.

President WASHINGTON was the most punctual man in his observance of appointments ever known to the writer. He delivered his communications to congress, at the opening of each session, in person. He always appointed the hour of twelve at noon for this purpose; and he never failed to enter the hall of congress while the state house clock was striking that hour: His invitations to dinner were always given for four o'clock, P. M. He allowed five minutes for the variation of time pieces; and he waited no longer for any one. Certain lagging members of congress sometimes came in when dinner was nearly half over. The writer has heard the President say to them with a smile, "Gentlemen, we are too punctual for you: I have a cook who never asks whether the company has come, but whether the hour has come."

American.

The editor of the Chester Post Boy offers a reward of $5 to the ingenious man who can devise a mode by which a printer can always be ready to meet the demands of the paper maker, and butcher, and the miller, without resorting to means so offensive to subscribers of delicate feeling as DUNNING!!

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