

On the Prize of SIXTY HUNDRED DOLLARS being drawn by the Poor Whites of Marlboro, in the STATE LOTTERY, within three days.

WHENCE this increase of wealth? What demands Grants more than language Hope could e'en demand? Not Chance, not Fortune shall the merit claim;

Who lifts the poor from their ennobled state, And humbles at his will th' aspiring great— Whole hand divine hath us in its span, And fed, and cloth'd us since our lives began—

SLAVE TRADE. Arguments drawn from Interests as well as Humanity, against the practice of SLAVERY, in the French Colonies; and which may be applicable to the English Colonies: By a French Officer.

I KNOW not, says he, whether coffee & sugar are necessary to the happiness of Europe; but certain I am, that these two vegetables have occasioned the misery of two parts of the world.

It is said, that the Black Code is made in their favour. Be it so; but the cruelty of their masters, exceeds the punishments allowed, and their aversion subtracts the food, the rest, and the rewards which are due to them.

Some divines affirm, that, for a temporal slavery they produce them a spiritual freedom; but most of them are brought at an age, at which they can never learn French, and the Missionaries do not learn their language.

THE Honourable Legislature having made provision by their resolve of the 6th of March last, for the payment of the Pensioners, previous to the last War, and to pay the Pensioners disabled during the last War, part of their arrears.

THE Treasurer hereby gives notice, That he shall commence the payment on Monday the twelfth day of the present month, and in obedience to the aforesaid Resolve he further notifies the last mentioned Pensioners,

Life is only a short voyage, & the end of it from a rapid bar. I would willingly forget its storms to recollect only the services, the virtues, and the constancy of my friends.

LAW OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. In the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and ninety.

WHEREAS it has been represented to this Legislature, that doubts have arisen in some of the Courts of Judicature within this Commonwealth, respecting the right of persons to constitute Attornies in certain cases, other than those which have been admitted in the usual form prescribed by Law.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, That every citizen be, and hereby is authorized to appear in any Court, and before any Personal Judge, Justice of the Peace, or Magistrate, to prosecute and defend his suit or action, by himself or by any person of a decent and good moral character, whom he shall call to his aid, or appoint for that purpose; and that any person of such decent and good moral character, who shall produce in Court, a Power or Letter of Attorney specially for that purpose, from any person whomsoever, shall have full authority though his principal be absent, to prosecute and defend any suit or matter wherein his principal shall be concerned, to final judgment and execution; and to plead, implead, or manage the same case, as fully as if such person, so authorized was an Attorney of such Court, and admitted and sworn in usual form as prescribed by law, and agreeably to the rules of such Court.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 5, 1790. This bill having had three several readings passed to be enacted.

DAVID COBB, Speaker. In SENATE, March 5, 1790. This bill having had two several readings, passed to be enacted.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Treasury Office, Boston, April 1, 1790. THE Honourable Legislature having made provision by their resolve of the 6th of March last, for the payment of the Pensioners, previous to the last War, and to pay the Pensioners disabled during the last War, part of their arrears.

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with their receipt for the same shall be a sufficient Voucher. ALEXANDER HODGDON, Treasurer.

BON MOT. A PERSON belonging to a religious society, who after breaking several times had been let up again, being censured as a member, the censor was reprehended by a wag, who affirmed that he had the best reasons in the world for thinking quite the contrary!

ANECDOTES. A Soldier was bragging before Julius Cæsar, of the wounds he had received in his face—Cæsar knowing him to be a coward, said "He had best take heed, the next time he ran away, how he look'd back!"

THE late Governor B., frequently found an Indian gazing at his seat, and one day asked him what excited his admiration. He replied that he was always wondering where his Honour could get money to build such a large House.

ALL persons that have any demands on the estate of JONATHAN HALE, late of Barnardston, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts to me the subscriber—three months being allowed to bring in their claims—No accounts will be allowed after that date.

ELIHO SCOTT, Adm'r. Barnardston, April, 1790. NOTICE is hereby given to the following non-resident proprietors of land in South-Hadley, county of Hampshire, that their lands are taxed in a tax, town and minister tax, for the year 1788, and 1789, as follows, viz.

Table with 4 columns: State Tax, Town Tax, Min. Tax, Total. Rows include Capt. Moses Marth, Mark Ferry, Jonathan Cook, Edward Green, Warham Smith.

UNLESS said taxes are paid on or before Monday the 24th of May inst. so much of said land will then be sold at Public Vendue, at the House of Noah Goodman, Esq. in said South-Hadley, at two o'clock P.M. as will be sufficient to discharge the same, with interest and charges.

ELI KELLOGG, Collector. South-Hadley, May 3d, 1790.

Tickets, IN THE SEVENTH CLASS OF WILLIAMSTOWN FREE SCHOOL LOTTERY, which will commence drawing on the 24th inst. to be sold by JOHN STODDARD. Northampton, May 4, 1790.

WHEREAS CYNTHIA, the wife of me the Subscriber, has in violation of her marriage covenant, withdrawn herself from my bed and board, and unjustly and without cause refused to live with me—and whereas by her unfaithful behaviour I have reason to fear she will endeavour to injure my interest, by contracting debts on my account—I hereby notify and warn all persons against harbouring or giving her any credit for any matter whatever, on my account, as I will not pay any demands made against me on her account.

OLIVER PARMENTER. Barnardston, April 14, 1790.

WE the Subscribers being appointed Commissioners by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Hampshire, to receive and examine the claims of the creditors of the estate of MOSES WARNER, late of Amherst deceased, represented insolvent, and six months being allowed for the creditors to bring in their claims—DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE—That we shall attend the business of our appointment, at the house of SARAH WARNER, in said Amherst, on the first Wednesdays of May, July and September next, from 2 to 6 o'clock P.M. No accounts will be allowed after that term.

SETH COLEMAN, JACOB M'DANIEL, ELIJAH ECKINSON. ALL Persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to SARAH WARNER, Adm'r. April 26, 1790.

LAND, In the State of Vermont, for sale. Enquire of the PATENT.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 1790. NORTHAMPTON, (MASSACHUSETTS) Published by WILLIAM BUTLER.

CONGRESS. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. MONDAY, April 19.

THE bill providing for the punishment of certain crimes against the United States, having been returned to the Senate with sundry amendments, and some of those amendments having been amended by the Senate—the House this day concurred with the Senate, which completed the bill preparatory to its enrolment.

The report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the memorial of the Marston Steuben was read a second time—this report is lengthy—the reading and discussion employed the attention of the House this day—the result was the adoption of a motion introduced by Mr. Gerry in substance as follows—That a committee be appointed to report a bill of resolutions in conformity to the report of the Secretary of the Treasury. Adjourned.

Tuesday, April 20. A committee was appointed to ascertain what further measures are necessary to be adopted to effect a speedy settlement of accounts between the United States and individual States—and to report to the Secretary of the Treasury, for the support of public credit.

Wednesday, April 21. In committee of the whole on the Report of the Secretary of the Treasury for the support of the public credit.

The 2d alternative, in the following words was read, viz.—To have the whole sum funded at an annuity of yearly interest of 4 per cent. irredeemable by any payment exceeding five dollars per annum, on account both of principal and interest, and to receive as a compensation for the reduction of interest fifteen dollars and eight cents, payable in lands as in the preceding article.

It was moved to strike out "five dollars" in order to admit a larger sum, so that the redemption of the principal should take place at an earlier period than that proposed. The following proposition "To have 667 dollars funded immediately at an annuity of yearly interest of 6 per cent. irredeemable by any payment exceeding 4 dollars and two thirds of a dollar, per annum, on account both of principal and interest; and to have at the expiration of ten years, 26 dollars and 88 cents, funded at the like interest and rate of redemption." The proposition being amended to read as follows, was agreed to.

"To have 667 dollars funded immediately at an annuity of yearly interest of six per cent. irredeemable by any payment exceeding five dollars per annum, on account both of principal and interest; and to have, at the end of seven years, thirty three dollars and one third of a dollar funded at the like interest and rate of redemption."

Mr. Sherman then proposed to modify the resolution so as to admit of the following proposition—"That the debts contracted by the several States for the common defence and benefit of the union, ought to be considered as a part of the domestic debt of the United States; That proper provision ought to be made for the immediate debt of the United States; and that the faith of government ought to be pledged to make provision, at the next session, for so much of the debts of the respective States as shall have been subscribed upon any of the terms expressed in the last resolution; provided that subscribers shall not be received for a greater amount, than the following sums, viz. [Here the names of the several States were inserted without any sums.]

Table listing debts of various states: New-Hampshire, 300,000; Massachusetts, 5,226,801; Connecticut, 1,951,173; New-York, 1,167,574; New-Jersey, 78,680; Pennsylvania, 2,200,000; Delaware, 300,000; Maryland, 800,000; Virginia, 3,600,743; North-Carolina, 5,386,132; Georgia, 200,000.

to the amount of the debts of such State to be assumed as aforesaid, such State shall receive interest at the rate of a per cent. per annum on the remainder of said sum, until a final settlement of its accounts with the United States, be applied to the payment of interest to its non-subscribing creditors, for which, and for the sums that may be assumed, the respective States shall be accountable to the United States.

Mr. Sherman being called upon to ascertain in what proportion he meant to distribute, read the following as a statement of the debts owing by the States, and the proportions he wanted to have funded.

Friday, April 23. The bill for granting compensation to Col. John Ely, for his services and expenses as a surgeon to the prisoners on Long-Island during the war, was read the second time, and referred to a committee of the whole, to be taken into consideration this day week.

A report from the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to orders of the house on the 19th January last respecting any difficulties attending the execution of the revenue laws was read, and referred to a committee, consisting of Messrs. Goshue, Fitzsimons, Lawrence, Boudinot, and Lee.

Mr. Sherman reports from the Secretary for the department of war, on petitions and memorials were read. A petition and remonstrance from the merchants of Georgetown on Potomac, concerned in shipping, was presented by Mr. Carroll, and read.

The report of the Secretary of the Treasury on the memorial of Gen. James Warren, was read—this report being against the prayer of the petition, Mr. Partridge after stating the circumstances of which the application to the house was founded, moved that the sum of 3801 be granted to General James Warren, in full for so much of said sum as was warranted in his favour on the State of Massachusetts; this motion was seconded by Mr. Gerry, who likewise spoke in the merits of the petition.

Mr. Ames moved, that the petition be taken up the order of the day, he wished to introduce a motion for the consideration of the house; he observed that it had been asserted in the course of the debates on the assumption of the State debts, that the State of Virginia had advanced for the common defence, beyond her proportion; advantage appeared to be taken of such assertions; he thought it necessary that facts should be known—that the committee might act with caution in conducting this important question; he therefore moved the following in substance, viz. That the Secretary for the department of war be directed to lay before the house a statement of the troops including the militia, and ordnance stores furnished by the respective States for the general defence, during the late war.

which the claims are founded.—On the above motion, the previous question was called for by Mr. Lee, which was lost, and the main question agreed to, 25 to 26.

Mr. Gerry then moved that the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to the house a statement of all payments both of interest and principal, as well as specie which have been made by the several States to Congress from the commencement to the end of the late war. This was agreed to.

Monday, April 26. On motion of Mr. Fitzsimons seconded by Mr. Butler the committee of the whole was discharged from further proceedings on the Report of the Secretary at War, relative to a plan for the organization and government of the militia of the United States.—The report was then referred to a select committee.

Mr. Fitzsimons moved that the committee of the whole should be for the present be discharged from further proceeding on that part of the Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, which relates to the assumption of the State debts.

Thursday, April 22. Mr. Partridge brought in a bill for allowing compensation to John Ely, which was read a first time.

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