COMMUNICATION

MR. SMITH,

As the election for eighteen persons to represent the inhabitants of the city in the Council, is fast approaching, it behoves the electors to look around them to see who will do the most good in that office. I, as an elector, and one who is desirous that the city should prosper, and is willing to bear any reasonable burden with the rest of my fellow citizens for the improvement and prosperity of the place, have a desire to do as all towns, both new and old, have done before us; that is, to raise a revenue by taxation, which will enable us to improve where improvevent is necessary. I wish to make good streets in every inhabited part of the city, and place pumps wherever the citizens stand in need of them; and this I wish done at the public expence—not by private subscription. I have lived eight years in this city; my private subscriptions for public purposes, have amounted to nearly an hundred dollars annually. When a few inhabitants want a pump, for instance, they must make up one half independently of their taxes, and those who hold unimproved property in the neighborhood pay nothing towards that half; and it has so happened, and it will constantly occur, that the next year after the pump is erected, a house or houses are built on the adjoining unimproved property, and they have the same benefit from the pump as those who paid for the erection of it. And the same will hold good with respect to streets and many other improvements in the city. It is evident that the great proprietors of the city have been the cause, heretofore, of the taxes having been so very light, the councils always believing that as they possessed much unproductive property, even a very low assessment would bear hard on them; and their exertions to keep it down have been great and unremitting. But when we see the greatest care taken to expend our little revenue for the best and most useful purposes, and those proprietors making use of this to their advantage, by raising the price of their property above the reach of those who would purchase and build, so soon as a public improvement is made, or any prospects of its being accomplished, measures ought to be taken to stop the evil too long existing. There is one glaring example of this within my knowledge, and that of many others. In consequence of the prospect of the bridge over the Potomack, two, at least, of those proprietors have raised the price of their property an hundred per cent. above what they would have been glad to have sold it for last year. This conduct calls for a remedy which it is only in the power of the council to effect, by increasing the tax to at least double of what it heretofore has been; and I for one should be for going to the extent of the law of Congress. This would raise a revenue which would enable the council to improve almost every part of the city; it would give a spur and importance to the place, and check the damp always thrown on its prosperity by the great landholders.

The foregoing remarks have been made with a view to call the attention of the citizens to such men in the council as will not have their views drawn from the real interests of the city by the influence of a few opulent proprietors, who should be taxed for the property which they keep locked up, like a miser his gold, by which society is not benefited.

A PROPRIETOR.

NOTICE.

THE JUDGES of ELECTION hereby notify the Citizens of Washington, entitled to vote for members of the CITY COUNCIL, That the election for the *First Ward*, will be held at Mr. Calwell's new house near the West Market; the election for the *Second Ward*, will be held at the tavern of LEWIS MORIN on Pennsylvania avenue, the election for the *Third Ward*, will be held at Mr. STELLE's hotel on the Capitol Hill; the election for the *Fourth Ward*, will be held at HUGH DRUMMOND's tavern on 7th street east near the Navy Yard.

For the Judges,
ROBERT BRENT, Mayor.

June 2——3t

THIS is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphan's Court of Prince Georges county, letters of administration on the estate of *Thomas Upton*, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased, are warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the subscriber within six months, they may otherwise be deprived of all benefit of said estate. And all those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

JOHN R. BUSSARD, Ex'r.

June 3——3t

SALE BY AUCTION.

ON Thursday the 9th inst. will be offered for sale a two story FRAME HOUSE, & LOT No. 1, on square 104, fronting on 20th street west, pursuant to a deed of trust made to the subscriber for certain purposes therein mentioned; the House lies near the Glass House and Lears Wharf. Terms of sale—a note with an approved endorser, payable in nine months.

Sale to commence at 12 o'clock.

CHARLES JONES, Trustee.

June 3——3t

BUZZARD'S ISLAND.

I WILL sell at private sale or exchange on liberal terms for other Landed Property, provided the situation is approved, the tract of land on which I reside, called *Buzzard Island*, lying on Patuxent river in Calvert county, and nearly opposite to Benedict, containing about eight hundred acres of as rich fertile land as can be found in the state of Maryland, one third of which is in wood and very heavily timbered; likewise a great quantity of Locust, Cedar and Chesnut.

The arable part of this plantation is level and much of it covered with oyster shells, and is divided into three fields, each of which will produce two hundred barrels of corn, with a reserve of prime tobacco land sufficient to grow fifty hhds. annually, and with very little labor more meadow may be reclaimed than will be found sufficient. No land can be better adapted to the growth of corn, tobacco and wheat, and few plantations hold out stronger inducements to stimulate an industrious man. It binds for a considerable distance on the river, has several landings and lies nearly in a square—fish, oysters, and wild fowl are to be had at all times—stock of every description, particularly sheep, thrive and improve wonderfully when removed to this land, a convincing proof of the goodness of soil and the nutricious quality of the grass which it produces in great abundance. The improvements are sufficient to accommodate a small family. A more particular description is not necessary—a purchaser will naturally view the premises.

RICHARD W. HARWOOD.

June 3——w5t

Prince George's county court,
April term, 1808.

HENRY T. COMPTON of Prince George's county having applied to this court, by petition in writing, praying the benefit of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," passed at the session of 1805, and the supplement thereto in 1806; and a schedule of his property and list of his creditors as far as he can ascertain them being annexed to his petition; and the court being satisfied by competent testimony that the said Henry T. Compton resided the two last years preceding this application within the state of Maryland. And the said Henry T. Compton being in the custody of the sheriff of Prince George's county; and having entered into bond in such penalty as directed by this court, and with approved security, conditioned for his personal appearance before this court, on the second day of the next term, to answer the allegations of his creditor or creditors. It is by this court directed that the said Henry T. Compton be discharged from imprisonment, and the said second day of the next term, which will be the sixth day of September next, is by the court appointed for the said Henry T. Compton to appear before this court, to answer interrogatories, which his creditors may propose to him. And it is ordered, that the said Henry T. Compton, give notice to his creditors, of his application, by causing a copy of the aforegoing, to be published three months in the National Intelligencer, previous to the next term.

True copy from the proceedings, Test
JOHN READ MAGRUDER, jr. Ck.

June 1——w3m

THE ADVERTISEMENT dated April 26, 1808, is withdrawn.

PROPOSALS

For carrying Mails of the U. States on the following Post Roads, will be received at the General Post Office in Washington City until the first day of August next, inclusive.

1. From Portland by Scarboro', Pepperelboro', Biddeford, Saco, Kennebunk, Wells, York, & Kittery to Portsmouth (N. H.) three times a week.

April 15, to December 1.

Leave Portland every Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday, at noon, & arrive at Portsmouth by 11 P. M. in 11 hours. Leave Portsmouth every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 10 P. M and arrive at Portland next days by 9 A. M. in 11 hours.

2. From Portland by Scarboro,' Pepperelboro', Biddeford, Saco, Kennebunk, Doutysfalls, Berwick and Dover, to Portsmouth, three times a week.

April 15, to December 1,

Leave Portland every Monday, Wednesday and Friday noon, and arrive at Portsmouth by 11 P. M. in 11 hours, Leave Portsmouth every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10 P. M. and arrive at Portland the next days by 9 A. M. in 11 hours.

December 1, to April 15.

Leave Portland every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 10 A. M. and arrive at Portsmouth the same days by 10 P. M. in 12 hours. Leave Portsmouth every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 4 A. M. and arrive at Portland the same days by 4 P. M. in 12 hours.

The same arrangement for route No. 1 from December 1, to April 15, reversing the days.

3. FROM Portsmouth, N. H. by Hampton, Seabrook, Salisbery, (MS.) Newburyport, Ipswich, Hamilton, Wenham, Beverly, Lynn, and Chelsea to Boston, 7 times a week.

April 15, to December 1.

Leave Portsmouth every day at 1 A. M. and arrive at Boston by noon, in 11 hours. Leave Boston every day at 10 A. M. and arrive at Portsmouth by 9 P. M. in 11 hours.

December 1, to April 15.

Leave Portsmouth every day at 11 P. M. and arrive at Boston the next day by noon, in 13 hours. Leave Boston every day at 10 A. M. and arrive at Portsmouth same day by 11 P. M. in 13 hours.

4. From Boston by Cambridge, Watertown, Sudbury, Marlboro', Northboro', Shrewsbury, Worcester, Leicester, Spencer, Brookfield, Western, Palmer, Wilbraham, Springfield, Suffield, Windsor, Hartford & Berlin, to New Haven, three times a week.

Leave Boston every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 1 P. M. and arrive at New Haven the next days by 7 P. M. in 30 hours. Leave New Haven every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 2 A. M. & arrive at Boston on Thursday, Saturday & Tuesday, by 9 A. M. in 31 hours.

5. From Boston by Dedham, Walpole, Foxboro', Attleboro', Providence, Scituate, Plainfield, Jewits City, Chelsea, New London, Lyme, Saybrook, Killingworth, Guildford & Brandford to New Haven, three times a week. Leave Boston every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1 P. M. and arrive at New Haven the next days by 7 P. M. in 30 hours. Leave New Haven every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 2 A. M. and arrive at Boston on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday, by 9 A. M. in 31 hours.

6. From New Haven by Milford, Stratford, Bridgeport, Fairfield, Norwalk, Stamford, West-Chester, Rye, New Rochelle, and Harlaem, to New-York, every day.

Leave New Haven every day at 8 P. M. and arrive at New York the next days by 2 P. M. in 18 hours. Leave New York every day at 8 A. M. and arrive at New Haven the next day by 1 A. M. in 17 hours.

7. From New York by the turnpike road to Philadelphia, 7 times a week.

Leave New York every day at 3 P. M. and arrive at Philadelphia the next day by 6 A. M. in 15 hours. Leave Philadelphia every day at 3 P. M. and arrive at New York, the next day by 6 A. M. in 15 hours.

This will contain the main mail, and is not to be opened at any intermediate office.

8. From New York by Jersey city, Newark, Elizabethtown, Rahway, Woodbridge, New Brunswick, Princeton, Trenton, Bristol, Holmesburg and Frankfort to Philadelphia, six times a week. Leave New York every day, (save sunday) at 3 P. M. and arrive at Philadelphia the next day by 6 P. M.

Leave Philadelphia every day at 3 P. M. and arrive at New York the next day by 6 P. M.

9. From Baltimore by Elk Ridge, Vansville, Bladensburg, and Washington to Georgetown, seven times a week. Leave Baltimore every day at 6 A. M. and arrive at Washington City by 2 P. M. in 8 hours. Leave Washington City every day at 6 A. M. and arrived at Baltimore by 2 P. M. in 8 hours.

10. From Washington City to Alexandria, seven times a week. Leave Washington City every day at 3 P. M. and arrive at Alexandria by 5 P. M. Leave Alexandria every day at 2 A. M. and arrive at Washington city by 5 A. M.

11. From Alexandria by Colchester to Dumfries, seven times a week. Leave Alexandria every day at 6 P. M. and arrive at Dumfries by 5 A. M. the next day. Leave Dumfries every day at 6 P. M. and arrive at Alexandria the next day by 1 A. M. in 7 hours.

12. From Dumfries by Aquia and Stafford court house, to Fredericksburg, seven times a week. Leave Dumfries every day at 6 A. M. and arrive at Fredericksburg by 11 1-2 A. M. in 5 1-2 hours. Leave Fredericksburg every day at noon, and arrive at Dumfries by 5 P. M.

13. From Fredericksburg by Bowling Green, White Chimnies, and Hanover court house, to Richmond, seven times a week. Leave Fredericksburg every day at noon, and arrive at Richmond the next day by 6 A. M. in 18 hours. Leave Richmond every day at 6 P. M. and arrive at Fredericksburg the next day by 11 A. M. in 17 hours.

14. From Richmond by Osborne's to Petersburg, seven times a week.

Leave Richmond every day at 6 1-2 A. M. and arrive at Petersburg by 11 1-2 A. M. in 5 hours. Leave Petersburg every day at 12 1-2 P. M. and arrive at Richmond by 5 1-2 P. M.

15. From Richmond by Fraziers, New Kent court house, Williamsburg, Yorktown, and Hampton, to Norfolk, three times a week.

May 1, to Dec. 1.

Leave Richmond every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 7 A. M. and arrive at Norfolk on the next days by 10 A. M. in 27 hours. Leave Norfolk every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 2 P. M. and arrive at Richmond the next days by 5 P. M. in 27 hours.

Dec. 1. to May 1.

Leave Richmond every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7 A. M. & arrive at Norfolk on the next days by 5 P. M. in 34 hours. Leave Norfolk every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7 A. M. and arrive at Richmond the next days by 5 P. M. in 34 hours.

16. From Petersburg by Cabbinpoint, Smithfield, Surry court house, & Sleepy hole ferry, to Norfolk, 3 times a week.

May 1, to Dec. 1.

Leave Petersburg, every Tuesday Thursday, and Saturday, at 1 P. M and arrive at Norfolk the next days by 10 A. M. Leave Norfolk every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 2 P. M. and arrive at Petersburg the next days by 11 A. M. in 21 hours.

Dec. 1, to May 1.

Leave Petersburg every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 1 P. M. and arrive at Norfolk the next days by 5 P. M. Leave Norfolk every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at 7 A. M. and arrive at Petersburg the next days by 11 A. M.

17. From Charleston by Jacksonboro', Pocotaligo and Coosawatchy to Savannah, three times a week.

Leave Charleston every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 2 P. M. and arrive at Pocotaligo by 8 P. M. Leave Pocotaligo every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 2 A. M. & arrive at Savannah by 3 P. M.

Leave Savannah every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 4 A. M. and arrive at Pocotaligo by 8 P. M. Leave Pocotaligo every Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday, at 2 A. M. and arrive at Charleston by 10 A. M.

18. From Augusta by Jacksonboro' and Ebenezer, to Savannah once a week. Leave Savannah every Friday, at 8 A. *M.* and arrive at Augusta on Sunday by 3 P. *M.* Leave Augusta every Tuesday at 5 A. *M.* and arrive at Savannah on Thursday by 3 P. *M.*

19. From Augusta by Wanesboro' and Louisville to Savannah once a week.

Leave Augusta every Thursday at 2 P. *M.* and arrive at Louisville on Friday by 10 A. *M.* Leave Louisville at 11 A. M. and arrive at Savannah on Sunday by 6 P. *M.*

Leave Savannah every *Monday* at 8 A. *M.* and arrived at Louisville on Wednesday by 9 A. *M.* Leave Louisville same day at 10 A. *M.* and arrive Augusta on Thursday by 10 A. *M.*

20. From Savannah by Bryan court house, *Medway* church, Riceboro' Jefferson, *M'Intosh* court house, and Darien, to St. *Mary's*, once a week by land. Leave Savannah every *Monday* at 8 A. *M.* and arrive at *St. Mary's* on Thursday by 10 A. *M.* Leave *St. Mary's* every Thursday at 2. P. *M.* & arrive at *Savannah* the next *Sunday* by 6 P. *M.*

21. From Darien by Brunswick, to Brederica, once a week.

Leave Darien every Wednesday at 5 A. *M.* & arrive at Frederica on Thursday by 10 A. *M.* Leave Frederica at 2 P. *M.* and arrive at Darien by 6 P. *M.* on Friday.

22. From Milledgeville (G.) to Athens, (G.) once a week. Leave Milledgeville every Friday at 4 A. M. and arrive at Athens on Saturday, by 11 A. M. Leave Athens every Saturday at 1 P. M. and arrive at Milledgeville on Sunday, by 8 P. M.

23. From Sparta by Milledgeville and Jones c. h. to Fort Oakmulgee, once a week. Leave Sparta every Saturday, at 6 A. M. and arrive at Oakmulgee on Saturday by 6 P. M. Leave Oakmulgee every Monday, at 6 A. M. and arrive at Sparta on Tuesday by 6 P. M.

24. From Milledgeville by Putnam c. h. and Morgan c. h. to Randolph c. h. once in two weeks. Leave Milledgeville every other Monday at 6 A. M. and arrive at Randolph c. h. on Tuesday, by 6 P. M. Leave Randolph c. h. the next day at 6 A. M. and arrive at Milledgeville on Wednesday by 6 P. M.

25. From Woodbridge, (N. J.) to Amboy, three times a week. Leave Woodbridge Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 6 P. M. and arrive at Amboy by 7 P. M. Leave Amboy every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at noon, and arrive at Woodbridge by 1 P. M.

26. From New Lisbon to Canton, (Ohio). Leave New Lisbon every Sunday at 6 A. M. and arrive at Canton by 6 P. M. Leave Canton every Monday at 8 A. M. and arrive at New Lisbon by 6 P. M.

27. From Boston by Dorchester, Quincy, Braintree, Weymouth, Hanover, Pembroke & Kingston, to Plymouth, three times a week.

Leave Boston every Tuesday Thursday and Saturday, at 6 A. *M.* and arrive at Plymouth by 6 P. *M.* Leave Plymouth every *Monday*, Wednesday, and Friday at 6 A. *M.* and arrive at Boston by 6 *P. M.*

NOTES.

1. The mail will be carried on the routes, number *four* to *fourteen inclusive*, in the same time through the year; and the contractor must calculate upon conveying the mail in a sulkey, when the roads will not admit of its being conveyed by the usual stage; or if it shall be shewn, that the roads are too bad for a sulkey, the mail of letters will be separated from the newspapers, which are to be conveyed by stage, as fast as the roads will admit, and the letters conveyed on horseback within the time limited, so that bad roads shall never be admitted as an excuse for non-performance.

2. The Postmaster General may expedite the mails and alter the times of arrival and departure at any time during the continuance of the contracts; he previously stipulating an adequate compensation for any extra expence that may be occasioned thereby.

3. Fifteen minutes shall be allowed for opening and closing the mail at all offices where no particular time is specified.

4. For every thirty minutes delay (unavoidable accidents excepted) in arriving after the times prescribed in any contract, the contractor shall forfeit one dollar; and if the delay continue until the departure of any depending mail, whereby the mails destined for such depending mail lose a trip a forfeiture of double the amount allowed for carrying the mail one trip shall be incurred, unless it shall be made to appear that the delay was occasioned by unavoidable accident, in which case the amount of pay for the trip will, in all cases, be forfeited and retained.

5. Persons making proposals, are desired to to state their prices by the year. Those who contract will receive their pay quarterly, in the months of February, May August and November, one month after the expiration of each quarter.

6. No other than a free white person shall be employed to convey the mail.

7. Where the proposer intends to convey the mail in the body of a stage carriage he is desired to state it in his proposals.

8. The Postmaster General reserves to himself the right of declaring any contract at an end, whenever three failures happen, which amount to the loss of a trip each.

9. The contracts for the routes numbered 1 to 16, are to be in operation on the first day of Oct. next and to continue in force two years from that time; for the routes from No. 17 to 25 to commence at the same time, & to continue in force until the 31st of March, 1811. For the routes, 26, 27, and 28, to commence at the same time, and continue in force one year.

GIDEON GRANGER,

Postmaster General

General Post-Office,
Washington City, May 26, 1808.

May 16——wtA.

IN obedience to the decree of the High court of Chancery of Maryland will be sold to the highest bidder at Semmes's tavern George Town, on the 11th. July at 11 o'clock, A M. all the right, title, and interest of Thomas Clark, deceased, in and to sundry Lots of ground in Thomas Beall of Georges addition to George Town, purchased of John M. Gantt, esq. being the four easternmost Lots purchased by said Gantt of Thomas Beall of George, esq. and in and to Lots No. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 in square No. 8 in the city of Washington and to part of Square No. 3. in said city.

The purchaser to give bond with satisfactory security for the payment of the purchase money with interest from the day of sale, payable in fifteen months after said day of sale. All persons having claims against the said Thomas Clark, deceased, are requested to exhibit the same to the Register of the court of Chancery of Maryland aforesaid, with the vouchers to support them within three months from the said day of sale.

JAMES S. MORSELL, Trustee.

June 3—wtJuly 11

PUBLIC SALE.

THE sale of the real estate of Gustavus Scott, deceased, heretofore advertised, being postponed by order of the Chancellor, the subscriber as trustee, will sell at public auction, at *Van Wyck & Dorsey's* Auction Room in the city of Baltimore, on Friday the 17th day of June next at 12 o'clock, the following tracts of unimproved land lying in Allegany county, to wit:

	acres.
Governor's Neglect, containing	1031
Roby's Delight,	421
Ormes Attention,	684
Chesnut Grove,	461
Now or Never,	600
Hard Struggle,	1554
Lot No. 2487,	50
Western Connection,	15484

The lands above mentioned are well watered and timbered, the soil good, and well calculated for grazing, and will be divided so as to suit those who wish to purchase.

A further description of the property will be given to any person wishing to purchase, on application to the subscriber.

The terms of sale are, that the purchaser or purchasers of the whole or any part of the above lands, shall give bond with security to be approved of by the trustee for paying the purchase money within twelve months from the day of sale. The creditors of Gustavus Scott, deceased, who have not yet exhibited their claims, are hereby notified to bring the same into the Chancery Court with the vouchers thereof within six months from the day of sale aforesaid.

ROGER PERRY, Trustee.

Cumberland, May 23—3w.

NOTICE.

THE *Taxable Inhabitants of Washington city* and all others concerned, are notified that the Board of Appeal, composed of the city Commissioners will sit at the Council Chamber on Tuesday the 14th day of June next, and continue to sit for TEN days, Sundays excepted, from 3 until 7 o'clock, P. M. to hear and determine on appeals from the late assessment.

WASHINGTON BOYD,
Treasurer of Washington city.

June 1——tJ24

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

LOST—having strayed from the commons of the city of Washington on Sunday last, a large BAY HORSE, about 17 hands high, black mane, tail and legs; no white mark upon his face. He has some times cut behind, and is shod in a particular manner to prevent it. The above reward will be paid to any one who delivers him to

B. H. LATROBE, near the
Navy Yard, Washington.

He was seen near Bladensburg on Sunday evening.

June 1——3t