

GEORGIA STATE GAZETTE

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Extracts from the Journal of Congress.

Friday, August 26, 1788.

ON a report of a Committee consisting of Mr. Williamson, Mr. Dane, Mr. Clarke, Mr. Tucker, and Mr. Baldwin, to whom was referred the report of a former Committee, respecting the inhabitants of Post St. Vincents,

Resolved, That measures be taken for confirming in their possessions and titles the French and Canadian inhabitants and other settlers at Post St. Vincents, who, on or before the year 1783, had settled there, and professed themselves of the United States, or any of them, and for laying off to them at their own expence the several tracts which they rightfully claim, and which may have been allotted to them according to the laws and usages of the governments under which they have respectively settled:

That four hundred acres of land be reserved and given to every head of a family of the above description settled at Post St. Vincents.

That the Governor of the western territory cause to be laid out, at the public expence, in the form of a square, adjoining to the present improvements at Post St. Vincents, and in whatever direction the settlers shall prefer, a tract of land sufficient for completing the above donations; which tract shall afterwards be divided by lot among the settlers who are entitled to any part of the same, in such manner as they shall agree.

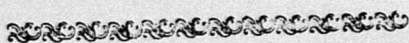
On a report of the same Committee, the following instructions to the Governor of the Western territory were agreed to:

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YOU are to proceed without delay, except while you are necessarily

measures for holding a treaty with them, and extinguishing their claim at least to so much of the territory as you find described in the aforesaid acts, and in the several acts of October 22d, 1783, relative to lands on the Mississippi. If you find it cheapest and best to extinguish the claim of those indians by agreeing to furnish them annually with a certain allowance in corn, or other provisions, for a term not exceeding ten years, you will contract accordingly. When you have examined the titles and possessions of the settlers on the Mississippi in which they are to be confirmed, and given directions for laying out the several squares, which the settlers may divide as they think best among themselves by lot, you are to report the whole of your proceedings to Congress.

After you shall have dispatched the several matters committed to your care on the Mississippi, you will take Post St. Vincents in your return, where you are to pursue the measures directed to be taken by the act of this day, and report your proceedings accordingly.



GEORGIA. } By Lewis Gardner,
(L. S.) } Esq. Register of Probats for the County of Richmond.

WHEREAS James Brown has applied to me for letters of administration on the estate and effects of James Kerr, Merchant, late of Richmond county, deceased: These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me at my Office, on the 6th day of January next, to shew cause, if any they have, why letters of administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal, at my Office, the 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord 1788, and in the 13th year of the Independence of the United States of America.

Festival of Saint John the Evangelist.

THE Members of LODGE COLUMBIA are required to meet at the Academy, on Saturday the 27th instant, at 10 o'clock, in order to celebrate the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, where the company of all transient brethren is requested. The Lodge will go from thence to church where a sermon suitable to the occasion will be preached. Dinner will be served up at the house of Brother Wamberfe.

By Order of the Worshipful Master,
T. MC CALL, Secretary.

N. B. By a Resolve of the Grand Lodge, all the Lodges in this state are requested to appear in mourning at the next Festival, as a testimony of their respect to the late Right Worshipful Past Grand Master ELBERT.

* * Tickets to be had of Brothers Freeman, Longstreet, Zimmerman, and Fauche.

Notice.

ALL those indebted to the concern of Messieurs ANDREW PICKENS and Co. by bond, note, or book account, are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber, at Liberty Hill, opposite Augusta, who is empowered to settle the same, and discharge such debts as may be due by said concern.

JOHN McDOWALL.

Liberty Hill, Dec. 15, 1788.

Four Pounds Reward.

WAS stolen last Wednesday night, out of a pen near my house, (and another horse left in his place) a strong made bright bay work gelding, trots heavy, hands high.