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INDEPENDENT REGISTER.

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GEORGIA.

By the Honorable GEORGE MATHEWS, Esquire,
Captain-General, Governor, and Commander in Chief in
and over the state aforesaid.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS there is just reason to believe that some wicked and degenerate person or persons hath contrived to counterfeit some of the bills of the paper current money of this state, and hath passed or circulated some of the said counterfeit bills to the great injury of the good people of the said state, and contrary to the laws thereof: In order therefore that such atrocious offenders may be brought to condign punishment, I HAVE, by and with the advice and consent of the Honorable the Executive Council, pursuant to a Resolution of the Honorable the House of Assembly, thought fit to issue this my Proclamation, offering, and I do hereby offer, a Reward of TWO HUNDRED and FIFTY POUNDS to any person or persons who shall prosecute to conviction any offender or offenders guilty of counterfeiting the paper currency or medium of this State, or of having any engines, tools, or other machines for the printing, stamping, or making the same, or of counterfeiting the name or names of the signer or signers thereof, or of uttering, passing or attempting to pass such counterfeit bill or bills, knowing them to be counterfeit; AND I DO, by authority of the Resolution aforesaid, hereby offer a full Pardon and the like Reward to any person or persons who shall give information and prosecute to conviction, his, her, or their accomplice, or accomplices in the crimes aforesaid; AND I DO further strictly command and enjoin all Magistrates, Sheriffs, Constables, and other Officers, and all persons whatsoever, to be diligent in apprehending and securing such offenders, that they meet the just punishments of the law.

GIVEN under my hand and the great seal of the said state, at Augusta, this twenty-second day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, and of our sovereignty and independence the eleventh.

GEORGE MATHEWS.

By his Honor's Command,
J. MILTON, Secretary.

GOD SAVE THE STATE!

Forty Shillings Reward.

STOLEN from Augusta commons, on the night of the 25th of December last, A Sorrel Gelding, about fourteen hands and a half high, nine years old, a blaze on his forehead, brand not known, and is a natural pacer. Any person who delivers the said Horse to Samuel Hemphill, in Augusta, or to Thomas Mackie, in Wilkes county, Broad river, shall have the above Reward.

THOMAS HEMPHILL

The highest Price, (in the Paper Medium) will be given for

TOBACCO, O R INDIGO,

At the Printing-Office in Augusta.

WHEREAS Francis Tennill, Esq. hath aspersed my character by reporting that I have been concerned in surveying lapsed land; in my own justification I am necessitated to state this matter fairly:

When the books and papers belonging to the County-Surveyor's Office were first put into Major Tennill's hands, I observed him sorting out such plats as had been surveyed by purchase warrants, the term of which, as limited by law, was then nearly expired, after which they were deemed liable to a resurvey; I took his example, and also singled out some plats. He went down to Savannah, and promised to write me word how to proceed in this matter, but before he did, the practice of resurveying land that had been surveyed on purchase warrants was become very customary; numberless applications were made to me to point out such land. I found gentlemen of character (whom I can name) were engaged that way. Fearing the chance would be lost, I joined with surveyors and pilots, and had one tract of 1000 acres, and one of 200; the former of which I dropped, when I found that Col. Thomas Napier was before hand with me; the other tract a certain Tarrance had resurveyed, and obtained it from me by a caveat; I then appealed, and Major Tennill gave me three bounties on Buffalo for my chance; he also joined with Mr. James Dawson, borrowed my 1000 acre warrant, deputized Mr. Zachariah Fox purposely to go and survey the other 1000 acres, which Col. Napier was concerned in. Thus the whole blame fell upon me, and from a consciousness of my own innocence I should have borne it, had not Major Tennill in a manner extorted the secret from me by his ungenerous treatment.

As the chief of these matters were privately transacted between us, it is not in my power to prove them; but I will be qualified to every word here asserted, and can prove the whole of Dawson's affair. As my character (which is all I have to depend upon) is suffering in the opinion of some of my friends, and totally ruined in that of others, who, I find, have turned their interest entirely against me, I hope these hints will not be attributed to malevolence, and the chagrin of disappointment, but absolutely necessary in my own vindication.

I am the public's most obedient humble servant,
SAMUEL CAMP.

Augusta, Feb. 1, 1787.

Robert Bonner, }
vs. } Attachment.

William Goodgion.

THE defendant William Goodgion is hereby notified, that an attachment by the said Robert Bonner hath been levied on a Lot in the town of Augusta, No. 35.