

Resource Sheet #4

Runaway Slaves: From the Revolution to the New Republic

The Maryland Gazette: Transcriptions

Fugitive slave advertisement for NED BARNES placed by John Hanson.

THIRTY HARD DOLLARS REWARD.

Frederick Town, July 2, 1781

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Frederick-town Maryland, on the first instant, a negro man named NED BARNES, a likely sensible fellow, a shoemaker, about 35 years of age, about 5 feet 6 or 8 inches high; he carried with him a good deal of valuable cloathing, among which are a new light blue cloth coat and waistcoat, a pair of leather breeches, a pair of boots, a pair of neat shoes with silver buckles; it is probably he may have a pass and intends to join the British troops; it is suspected he went off on a likely roan horse. The above reward will be paid to any person bringing home or securing him in any goal; it is requested he may be searched and the money about him secured.

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