

Resource Sheet #7

Runaway Slaves: From the Revolution to the New Republic

The Maryland Gazette: Transcriptions

Fugitive slave advertisement for WILL placed by Henry Plummer.

August 25, 1786.

RAN away from the subscriber, on Saturday the 12th instant, a negro man named WILL, about twenty-five years old, four feet nine or ten inches high, he is well made for his height, is bow legged, and very hollow-backed, has a smiling countenance; had on when he went away, an osnabrig shirt and trousers, a blue and white mixed country cloth jacket, and a felt hat; he was taken up on Saturday last and made his escape, and was seen to pass through Bladensburg on Sunday as a free man. Whoever takes up said negro, and secures him so that the owner may get him again, shall receive six dollars reward, and if brought home eight dollars, besides what the law allows, and reasonable charges, paid by

HENRY PLUMMER, near
Mount-Pleasant ferry,
in Anne-Arundel county.

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