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THE CHARLESTON MORNING POST. AND DAILY ADVERTISER.

Thirsday November 2, 1786.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

One Hundred Dollars Reward.

Whereas, a fellow of the subscriber's properly authorized having in his charge an elderly wench named Judy (under the accusation of harboring fugitive slaves) and a large basket of rice, coming from my Round O plantation to the Horse shoe (said wench the property of James Postell, Esq. deceased, myself acting executor, and said estate in debt) was, he says, met near Mrs. Ford's on the Horse-shoe, within a mile and a half of the

subscriber's residence, by a white man, who juixote like, bullied and terrified him very much, rescuing the wench, and frightening him back waiting in the road until he was out of sight, apprehensive, it is imagined, of too speedy a pursuit. As said white has comverded with great intimacy with the wench it is presumed he may have many such intimates in the neighborhood. - A few days after which, apparently by the influence of said Judy and accomplice ran away the following slaves: Thomas, his wife Hannah and child, Caesar, four fellows, London, Ishmael, Captain and Anthony, well known about the Round O, Horse-shoe and Ashepoo. - The above reward will be paid to whoever shall give legal information of the above felon, on convision, or Two Dollars and all charges for either of the slaves, on delivery, and a further reward of Fifty Dollars on full conviction of either or any of them being harboured by a white person or free negro , by John Postell, jun.

Horse- Shoe, Oct. 15th. 1786.