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THE TERM

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That on the first day of February next, or immediately thereafter, the Assistant Assessors within this district, will proceed throughout the same, for the purpose of taking lists of the LANDS, LOTS OR GROUNDS WITH THEIR IMPROVEMENTS, DWELLING-HOUSES, AND SLAVES, subject to the United States direct tax, and for valuing and assessing the same. All persons owning, possessing, or having the care or management of such property, are required by law to deliver to the Assistant Assessors, written lists containing a true and accurate description of the same; and we hereby notify and warned to be prepared on said first day of February next, or immediately thereafter, to deliver the same, under the penalty provided by law, for neglect or refusal in this respect.

LEVI DICKINSON, Principal Assessor of the first district of the State of Maryland.

Snow-Hill, Jan. 25, 1814.

NOTICE.

All owners and masters of vessels in the District of Oxford are hereby cautioned against taking in cargoes or leaving the District until they come to Oxford and comply with the Embargo act passed December 17, 1813, and those that have been confined to the Chesapeake, and are still to be, and principally from hence to Baltimore, and no suspicion of a violation entertained, will be permitted to give a Permanent Bond with sufficient sureties, and take a permission accordingly.

JOHN WILLIS, Collector.

Jan. 25 — m

NOTICE.

Clerks and Sheriffs, and all other persons having to pay into or receive money from the Eastern Shore Treasurer, will be pleased to take notice, that no monies will be received or paid by him, but at his office, kept at his house in Caroline County; except in the Land-office, the business whereof remains in the hands and under the direction of Richard Harwood, Esquire, at Easton.

WILLIAM RICHARDSON,
Treasurer of Eastern Shore Md.

Jan. 11 — 4

TANNERY FOR SALE.

The subscriber intending to decline business, offers for sale his Tannery, two and a half miles from Centreville, together with all the stock-in-hand, consisting of about 60 cords of Bark, a parcel of raw hides, and a vag of leather.

The purchaser may have from 5 to 100 acres of land, on which is a brick house, 20 by 40 feet, formerly made use of as a mill house and currying shop; a new mill-house, 25 feet square, with one of Tolsey's patent mills; a barn house and sheds sufficient to contain 100 cords of bark, with 31 vats enclosing tuns, &c. Besides the convenience of this establishment for water, it is one of the best stands on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, for procuring hides and bark. If it is not sold in a few weeks, I will rent it to an industrious Tanner, though it will still be for sale.

FOR SALE.

The subscriber wishes to sell at private sale, his Waggon, Harness, and four good Horses. The waggon is nearly new. They will be sold together or separately, as may best suit. If not sold before Tuesday the 6th of February next, they will be offered at public sale, on the Court House green, at Easton, on a credit of three months, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day.

THOMAS NEWKIRK, Jr.

Easton, Jan. 25 — 3

FOR SALE.

About 500 acres of LAND, situated in Talbot county, adjoining the lands of William Roberts, being a part of the estate of the late Samuel Chamberlain, Esq. deceased. Those lands have a full proportion of Timber, and all other advantages of forest lands. A credit of one, two and three years will be given for two thirds of the purchase-money, one third thereof being paid on the sale; or Bank Stock will be received in payment for the whole or in part. Apply to

JOHN L. KANE,

dece. 28 — m

FOR SALE.

A young Negro Man about 18 or 19 years of age. For further particulars and terms apply to the Editor of the Star.

Jan. 25 — 3

To be Rented to the Share, 1,400 ACRES OF

BANKED MEADOW LAND, Situate in New Jersey, 55 miles below Philadelphia, on the water. The soil is rich and meliorated, and produces Corn, Wheat, Ry, Oats, &c. It will be rented in parcels, for one or more years. The owners will keep the banks, sluices, ditches and bridges in repair; pay all taxes, and find houses, pasture and fire-wood for the tenants. The crop to be divided equally in the field. Those who farm on a large scale, would be preferred; others can be accommodated, and single men that wish to rent, can have boarding at reasonable rates on the premises. Apply to

JOHN R. COATES, or

JOHN H. BRINTON,

No. 812, Archl. Philadelphia.

WRITING PAPER,

One side of the Star Office.

EASTON HOTEL.

The subscriber informs his friends and customers that he has removed to the House formerly occupied by Mr. Solomon Lowe, where from his arrangements, every attention will be paid to those who may favor him with a call.

THOMAS HENRICK.

january 4, 1814 — m

UNION TAVERN.

The subscriber having taken the Inn lately occupied by Mr. Thomas Henrick, and formerly by Mr. Thomas Peacock, directly opposite the Bank and Post Office, respectfully informs his former customers, and strangers, that he is determined to keep the best fare that can possibly be procured. Private rooms, and the best accommodation in respect of eating, drinking, and attentive servants, can be had at all times, as well as good hostlers, and the best provender; and every reasonable attention paid to all who call upon him.

SOLOMON LOWE,

jan. 4 — m

BOARDING HOUSE.

The subscriber informs her friends, and the public generally, that she continues to keep accommodations for Ladies and Gentlemen, by the week, month, or year. As it is presumed that private lodgings are preferred by travelling ladies, she hopes to be favored with their company particularly. She is well assured that more general entertainment cannot be had in this place.

SUSAN TRIPPE,

N. B. She has a vacancy at this time for 6 or 8 boys or girls.

Easton, Washington St. Jan 4 — m

opposite the Bank.

1813, 5,131,300

23,976,912 50

14,488,156

Treasury notes under the acts of

March 1812, 4,337,457 50

Ditto of sixteen millions under the act of 8

Feb 1813, 13,568,012 48

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18,200,000

13,900,000

Making

15,350,000

From customs and public lands, 6,000,000

Internal revenues & direct taxes, 3,500,000

Amounting altogether to 10,000,000

The actual receipts into the treasury from the revenues as now established, including the internal revenues and direct tax, are not estimated for the year 1814, at more than \$10,000,000

Viz :

From customs and public lands, 6,000,000

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If to this sum be added that part of the balance in the treasury on the 31st December, 1813, which has been estimated above, to be applicable to the expenses of the year 1814, and which, upon the principles above stated, may be considered as a surplus of revenue beyond the expenses of the peace establishment, and of the interest on the public debt for the year 1813, and therefore applicable to the same expenses for the year 1814, which sum is estimated at 2,350,000

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And making together

11,210,000

There will still remain to be provided new loans capable of producing

770,000

12,050,000

But as the internal revenues and direct tax, when in full operation, will produce in the year 1815, probably \$1,200,000 more than is estimated to be received from them in the year 1814, it will rest with Congress to decide whether it is necessary that new and additional revenues should be established. To what extent the existing embargo may reduce the receipts into the Treasury from the customs during the year 1814, it is difficult to estimate, as the operation of the war had reduced the receipts from the customs nearly one half from that which was received during the year preceding the war. The former embargo reduced the revenue from the customs nearly one half the amount of that which was received during the year preceding its full operation. In this case, however, the transition was from the full receipt of a peace revenue, to the entire suspension of exportation and of foreign commerce in American bottoms. It is not, therefore, to be presumed, that the existing embargo will cause a reduction of the war revenue in the proportion of the peace revenue. Moreover, the effect of the act prohibiting the importation of certain articles necessarily increases the demand and enhances the value of those which may be lawfully imported, and the high price they bear will produce extraordinary importations, and in part compensate for the prohibition to export any thing in return; to this may be added, the duty on salt, the operation of which is yet but partial.

To the amount of the defalcation of

the revenue caused by the Embargo, whatever it may be, must be added the difference between the amount of the interest payable in the year 1814, on the loan of that year, and the whole amount of the interest on the said loan payable in the year 1815, on the loan of that year. The sum of these items will be required for the year 1815, in addition to the revenues now established, except 1,200,000 dollars, being the difference between the estimated increase in the receipt of the internal revenues and direct taxes and the 770,000 dollars remaining to be provided for in the foregoing estimate.

With these considerations it is submitted, whether it may not be expedient and prudent to provide new revenues, capable of producing either the whole or such part of the 770,000 dollars unprovided for, as may appear necessary to ful-

TREASURY REPORT.

In obedience to the directions of the act supplementary to the act entitled "an act to establish the Treasury Department" the acting Secretary of the Treasury respectively submits the following

REPORT AND ESTIMATES.

The monies actually received into the Treasury during the year ending on the 30th of September, 1813, have amounted to \$57,541,934 98

Viz :

Proceeds of the customs, sales of lands, small branches of revenue, and re-payments, 13,568,012 48

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the public engagements and secure to the financial operations of the government, the confidence, stability and success which is due to its identity, and to the ample resources of the country.

All which is respectfully submitted,

W. JONES, Acting
Secretary of the Treasury
Treasury Department, Jan. 8, 1814.

LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

(BY AUTHORITY.)

AN ACT.

To amend the seventh section of the act entitled "an act to lay and collect a direct tax within the United States."

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in every case where the Legislature of a State shall not convene prior to the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, no notice of the assumption of the quota of such state of the direct tax shall be deemed necessary; and such State shall be allowed until the twentieth of February next for making payment, and shall receive thereon the same deduction as if such payment had been made on the tenth day of January.

H. CLAY, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. VARNUM, President of the Senate pro tempore.

Approved, JAMES MADISON.

AN ACT.

For the relief of Richard Dale.

It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officer of the Navy Department be, and they are hereby authorized and required to settle and adjust the account of Richard Dale, and pay to his credit the amount of stock sent stores as may have been furnished him by the United States while he was commanding the United States' ship the Gauges: provided the said Richard Dale will relinquish all claims to the rations to which he may be entitled.

H. CLAY, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
J. B. VARNUM, President of the Senate pro tempore.

January 11, 1814.

Approved, JAMES MADISON.

RESOLUTIONS.

Expressive of the sense of Congress of the gallant conduct of Capt. Oliver H. Perry, the officers, seamen, marines and infantry acting as such on board of his squadron.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the thanks of Congress be, and the same are, hereby presented to Captain Oliver Hazard Perry, and through him to the officers, petty officers, seamen, marines and infantry as such attached to the squadron under his command, for the decisive and glorious victory gained on Lake Erie on the tenth of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, over a British squadron of superior force.

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to cause five medals to be struck, emblematic of the action between the two squadrons, and to present them to Captain Perry and Captain Jesse D. Elliott in such manner as will be most honorable to them, and that the President be further requested to present a silver medal with suitable emblems and devices to each of the commissioned officers either of the Navy or Army serving on board, and a sword to each of the midshipmen and sailing masters who so nobly distinguished themselves on that memorable day.

Resolved, That the President of the United States be requested to present a silver medal with like emblems and devices to the nearest male relative of Lieutenant John Brooks, of the Marines, and a sword to the nearest male relative of Midshipmen Henry Louis and Thomas Claxton junior, and to communicate to them the deep regret which Congress feel for the loss of these gallant men, whose names ought to live in the recollection and affection of a grateful country, and whose conduct ought to be regarded as an example to future generations.

Resolved, That three months pay be allowed, exclusively of the common allowances to all the petty officers, seamen, marines and infantry serving as such, who so gloriously supported the honor of the American flag under the orders of their valiant commander on that signal occasion.

H. CLAY, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. VARNUM, President of the Senate pro tempore.

January 6, 1814.

Approved, JAMES MADISON.

RESOLUTION.

Relative to the brilliant achievements of Lieutenant Burrows and McCall.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be requested to present to the nearest male relative of Lieutenant William Burrows, and to Lieutenant Edward R. McCall, of the brig Enterprise, a Gold Medal with suitable emblems and devices, and a silver medal with like emblems and devices to each of the commissioned officers of the aforesaid vessel, as testimony of the high sense entertained by Congress of the gallantry and good conduct and crew in

the conflict with the British sloop *Buzzard*, on the fourth of September, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirteen. And the President is also requested to communicate to the nearest male relative of Lieutenant Burrows the deep regret which Congress feel for the loss of that valuable officer, who died in the arms of victory, nobly contending for his country's rights and fame.

H. CLAY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. VARNUM,
President of the Senate pro tempore.

January 6, 1814.

Approved, JAMES MADISON.

RESOLUTION.

Relative to the brilliant achievements of Captain James Lawrence in the capture of the British vessel of war the Peacock.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be requested to present to the nearest male relative of Captain James Lawrence, a gold medal, and a silver medal to each of the commissioned officers who served under him in the sieges of war Hornet, in her conflict with the British vessel of war the Peacock, in testimony of the high sense entertained by Congress of the gallantry and good conduct of the officers and crew in the capture of that vessel; and the President is also requested to communicate to the nearest male relative of Capt. Lawrence the sense which Congress entertains of the loss of the naval service of the United States, as sustained in the death of that distinguished officer.

H. CLAY, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. VARNUM, President of the Senate pro tempore.

January 17, 1814.

Approved, JAMES MADISON.

FROM THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER.

ON THE BURNING OF NEWARK, &c.

Messrs Gales & Seaton,

Many and various are the accounts which have been given to the public relative to the burning Fort George and the town of Newark. But altho' these accounts have been handed to the public through the medium of certain prints with great solemnity, accompanied with the severest reproaches against the supposed author of the act; still, Sirs, not one of them has been accompanied with the real cause which gave rise to the burning of these places, nor have the people been yet told who the persons were that recommended the adoption of the measure. Permit me, therefore, to adduce a statement of facts, which no editor or other person will venture to controvert.

The enemy stationed at Burlington Heights were informed that the militia under the command of General M'Clure had returned to their respective homes, and that no force remained at Fort George except Capt. Willcock's corps of Upper Canada volunteers, and about seventy of General Harris's regular troops, he immediately commenced a line of march upon the road leading from Burlington to Fort George. This movement of the enemy was communicated to Gen. M'Clure in a very short time after it commenced and upon receiving the information he sent a confidential person from Newark to reconnoitre the motions of the enemy, and to find out, if possible, the real object of his movements. This person had not proceeded more than twelve miles when he discovered that the van guard of the enemy had advanced to the Twelve Mile Creek, and that his object was not only to re-occupy Fort George, but also to cross the river and possess himself of Fort Niagara. This moment General M'Clure received this news he called a council of war of all the officers then under his command, at which council it was unanimously resolved that it was utterly impossible to maintain Fort George against such superior numbers as were then approaching it, and thought it ought to be immediately abandoned and destroyed. Gen. M'Clure then stated to the Council, that he had directions from the Secretary of War, purporting "that in case Fort George should at any time be attacked by the enemy, to burn Newark, provided that by so doing he would be enabled to hold the fort." But it seemed to be the decided opinion of the council that the burning of the town could not tend in the remotest degree to preserve Fort George, as there were not a sufficient number of men to hold it under the then existing circumstances. It was however suggested by one of the members of the council, that as the enemy was approaching with all his force, and also bringing on a number of boats from Burlington, the probability was, that the great object was to cross the river, and take possession of Fort Niagara as had been stated, in which case the destruction of Newark became a matter of the first necessity, insomuch as the enemy would have no shelter in that quarter to protect himself for an attack upon Fort Niagara, and that he would be compelled by his complete and unavoidable exposure to the severity of the weather (at that time severe frost and snow) to return to his encampment at Burlington without being able to accomplish his object. This suggestion met the general coincidence of the council, and it was then unanimously agreed, that the General

ought to destroy the town, the instant he found the enemy approaching it—

which he accordingly did. But, unfortunately for the poor inhabitants, on this side of the river that step the a prudent one, and strongly recommended by military gentlemen of the first talents, had not the desired effect; for the enemy did cross notwithstanding all the precautionary measures which were taken by Gen. M'Clure to prevent him; and the melancholy result is too well known to require detail.

I have made this short statement of facts, Messrs Editors, merely to give the public an idea of the real cause for burning the town of Newark and at the same time to show, that it was neither done under the order, nor by the direction of the Secretary of War, nor by the *enmity or caprice* of Gen. M'Clure, as has been most unfairly and most untruly stated by the editors of certain public prints in this quarter; but that it was done by the unanimous advice of military men, who certainly could have had no other object in view than the preservation of Fort Niagara and its adjoining frontier. And I pledge myself, if those gentlemen have erred in giving such advice, that it was an error of judgment and not of the heart.

An Officer of the Army.

January 20.

BRITISH CRUELTY.

The reader, who, after perusing the following very interesting extract of a letter to a gentleman in this City, can restrain the expression of his indignation and horror, must be steeled to the voice of humanity and his country.—

On the correctness of the statement the reader may place the utmost reliance as it comes from one whose veracity is unimpeachable.

Washington Gazette.

Extract of a letter from a respectable gentleman who recently visited Halifax, to his friend in this City, dated Providence, (R. I.) Jan. 10, 1814.

"During my stay at Halifax I had no reason to complain of any severity extended to myself; on the contrary, I had the range of that place and Dartmouth; I passed my time among our officers, and saw as many of the inhabitants of the village as I wished. You may suppose my time was spent agreeably, and that I had no care. I say it; it was every day a source of pain to me to see so many of my countrymen in bondage and misery. I visited that detestable charnel house, Melville prison, which has been the grave of so many of them. There are now 200 confined in it, in space in which 200 could not live in any tolerable degree of comfort. The sad consequence of their crowded situation is filth, vermin, disease, death. Previous to my arrival, there had prevailed a malignant fever, which swept off a great number of those much-to-be-pitied men, who died far from their native home, and kindred dear; it has ceased in a great degree.—But there are no 40 who are in what is termed a hospital; but which, with more propriety may be termed the *warehouses of death*." It is immediately above the prison and whatever passes from the lungs tainted with leprosy added long confinement is received and breathed by the sick. He who enters these dreary confines must prepare for death, for any who return from it are supposed to have a particular dispensation from God. I shall never forget my impressions on visiting this abomination of death, and the melancholy reflection it will leave on my mind will only cease when I hear of that prison being destroyed or abandoned.

Mr. G. Budd is in close confinement on board the Malabar transport, with 40 or 50 more officers. His situation on board that vessel is an enviable one, when compared with that of his brother officers; he moves with the captain, who is as much to him as a father, and exerts his influence & personal exertions to relieve their wants. Mr. Budd was severely wounded in the action, and from loss of blood, has not yet perhaps never will again enjoy a good state of health. He is an interesting and an agreeable young gentleman; he bears his confinement with fortitude and resignation, for he can suffer and still live.

"And come it late, or come it fast,
"Tis but death that comes at last."

His detention, I believe to arise from his intimate knowledge of the trade which has been carried on by men who have forsworn their country, their conscience and their God. He knows the principal traitors engaged in this iniquitous business, against whom he can bring proof that would bring them to condign punishment. Of the trade which has been carried on to Halifax from the Eastern States, I hardly know the extent, but when I tell you that 17,000 barrels of flour were received at Halifax in one day, some time since, it will give you some idea of the necessity of putting a stop to it by an embargo. Nova Scotia is a desolate, barren waste, and as barren as the deserts of Arabia; at least whatever part I saw of it; it cannot support one half of its population, consequently they would suffer severely for the want of food.

[Lieut. Budd, above alluded to, will be recollect, has just returned from Halifax in a boat arrived at Boston.]

THE NEMY'S COUNSEL.

We observed a publication in Wednesday's *Advertiser*, from one of the enemy's counsel—*to noted Francis Blake*, of Worcester, senator of this Commonwealth! The man avows himself the author of two anonymous publications, in

one of the enemy, in the Worcester Spy;

to intercept them; but one of these Ma-

chines declared it was a false report

for that he had seen the Constitution

that very evening at her usual anchorage.

It was known on board the Dragon that

boarding cats were making for the crew

of the Constitution in two days after they

were contracted for!—In short, the most

trivial circumstance any way connected

with our military operations, are known

to the enemy almost as soon as they trans-

pire. An efficient police would soon

infringe this regular communication of

intelligence to the enemy, and detect the

authors of it. At all events we hope that

a knowledge of the fact, will redouble the

vigilance of the military, and produce a

correspondent watchfulness in the citi-

zens generally.

A course of conduct observed by the

enemy towards the masters of vessels,

prisoners on board the Dragon, deserves

notice, as it proves the existence of a

systematic plan which the British govern-

ment have long had in operation, to di-

vide the states by exciting disunion,

jealousy and hatred between the citizens of

the North and the South: the Northern

Captains were permitted to mess with

the officers, while those who belonged to

the Southward were ordered forward, and

there kept upon the scanty, miserable

pittance dealt out to the bulk of the pri-

soners.

PLATTSBURGH, JAN. 15.

At the time of the last alarm the ma-

nistry and other inhabitants of this

place addressed Gen. Wilkinson on the

subject of the public property stored here,

and on their own critical situation:—The

letter was answered in a style of politeness

indicating both the gentleman and the

man of feeling—several bodies of in-

fantry and dragoons were immediately

ordered to march, and have since arri-

ved at this place.

BURLINGTON, VT. JAN. 14.

General Wilkinson and suite arrived at

this pt on Wednesday of this week,

and are now on their way to Albany.

A detachment of about 100 men have

arrived at Plattsburgh from French

Mills, and all the troops at this post have

been ordered thither. The object of the

enemy appears to be to divert the at-

tention of our forces in this quarter,

while they are transporting their military

stores to Kingston. We have it from

good authority that 120 yoke of oxen

have gone over the lines for this and o-

ther purposes.

ALBANY, JANUARY 21.

SUMMARY.

A letter handed to the Editor of the

Argus, dated the 11th, Le Roy, gives

the names of the following persons killed

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TURREAU'S LETTER.

The President of the U. States yesterday transmitted to the House of Representatives the following Message:

To the House of Representatives of the United States.

I transmit to the House of Representatives a report of the Secretary of State, complying with their resolution of the 12th inst.

JAMES MADISON.

Jan. 19, 1814.

The Secretary of State, to whom was referred a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 12th inst., requesting the President to lay before the House any correspondence with or communication in writing from, the late Minister of France, on or about the 14th June, 1809; or by his successor since, prescribing the conditions on which their sovereign would consent to treat amity and commerce with the U. States, &c. has the honor to make to the President the following Report:

That of the transactions which took place in the Department of State, before the Secretary of State came into office, which was in the year 1811, he has no means of acquiring a knowledge other than from the archives of the department, or from the persons entrusted with their safe keeping.

That he has caused the files of the Department to be carefully examined for a communication described by the resolution of the House of Representatives, and that none such has been found of the date, therein referred to or of any other date from the former Minister of France, or from his successor, or any trace of evidence of such a communication; that he has also required of the Chief Clerk of the Department who has been in that office since the year 1807 concerning the same, and whose statement is annexed.

That no such communication was ever addressed to the Secretary of State by the present Minister of France.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES MONROE.

Department of State, Jan. 18, 1814.

MR. GRAHAM'S STATEMENT.

I know not how I can more clearly state every thing that I know relative to a letter which was recently published in some of the public prints, from Gen. Turreau to Robert Smith, Esq. and which I suppose to be the communication alluded to in the resolution of the House of Representatives of the 12th inst. by observing that when that letter was published it was shown to a gentleman of this office, I told him I could not say whether it was genuine; that some parts did not appear new to me, but that other parts of it did. We immediately looked at Gen. Turreau's file, and no such letter was there. I then observed that if it was genuine, it must be the letter from General Turreau which had been withdrawn.

The fact of one of his letters which I had translated for Mr. Smith, having been withdrawn, I distinctly remember, tho' I cannot speak with certainty either of its date or of its contents, more than four years having elapsed since I saw it; but I remember it was considered exceptionable, and that Mr. Smith directed me not to put it on the files, but to lay it aside. I can add too that it was the only letter from Gen. Turreau which to my knowledge was ever withdrawn.

This letter was withdrawn by a gentleman attached to the French Legation, who called at the Department of State to get it, and it was delivered to him either by Mr. Smith himself or by me under his direction. When this was done, I can now recollect nor have I any means of ascertaining, except by reference to a subsequent event which happened in the month of Nov. 1809. I allude to the dismissal of Mr. Jackson. For I remember in a conversation I had with Mr. Smith respecting that occurrence at the time it took place, he observed that he supposed Gen. Turreau would now be glad he had withdrawn his letter.

In what way after translation of this letter did it get into the public prints, I know not, nor do I know where or by whom it was taken from the files.

JOHN GRAHAM,
Chief Clerk of the Department of
State.

Department of State, 18th Jan. 1814.

NEW LONDON, JANUARY 10.

THE CHALLENGE.

We are informed that in consequence

of a conversation which took place in the cabin of the Ramilles, in the presence of an American citizen, who was landed a few days since from that ship, from which it appeared to be the wish of Capt. Hope, commanding the Endymion, and Captain Stackpole, commanding the Statira, to meet our frigates, the U. States, and the Macedonian, Commodore Decatur, on Monday last, dispatched a communication to Sir Thomas Hardy, commanding the Blockading Squadron, proposing to gratify Capts. Hope & Stackpole in their wish.—This invitation we understand, has been declined by the British.

The Endymion mounts 40 guns, twenty-four pounders on the main deck; the Statira mounts 48 guns, eighteen pounders, on the main deck. The U. States mounts 48 guns, 24 pounders on the main deck—the Macedonian mounts 47 guns, 18 pounders on the main deck.

Now are the mighty fallen!

LAWSON Clegg of S. Carolina, is appointed Speaker of the House of Representatives, in the place of Mr. Clay, resigned. His acknowledged talents and unblemished character afford a pledge for his correct deportment in the execution of the very arduous duties now assigned him.

THE CHALLENGE.

Copy of a letter from Lieut. Claxton to his father, dated

Macedonian, New London,

Jan. 19, 1814.

DEAR FATHER,

For the two last days we have been all anxiety: an American captain returned on parole from the Ramilles, 74, a few days since, and communicated to Commodore Decatur, a communication he had had with Capt. Hardy, in which the latter said "that now that 2 frigates were off, of equal force to the U. States and Macedonian, that he should have no objection to a meeting take place, but that he could not allow the challenge to come from the English commander."

The hint was embraced in a moment, and Capt. Biddle dispatched with a challenge from our commanders. In the mean time every preparation was made, on our side, for an immediate engagement, which we all supposed no objection could be made to, the crew of both ships were called together, and addressed by their commanders, who made known to them the substance of the business, then on foot, they were answered by three hearty cheers. Captain Jones concluded his short and pertinent address in the following words, spoken with great modesty, "my lads, our cruise will be short, and I trust, a very profitable one." Capt. Biddle went on board the 74, a signal was immediately made for the two commanders of the English frigates, & they went on board. Capt. Hardy addressed them, "gentlemen here are two letters for you, it rests altogether with you to decide on the matter," Stackpole of the Statira, answered with the greatest affection "pon honor sir, it is the most acceptable letter I ever received." The final answer was to be given yesterday. Capt. Biddle returned, and related the circumstances as I have mentioned. For myself, I tho't from the manner of Stackpole that he would be the first to flinch, I am not able to say that he did, it is enough that the captain of the Borar (sloop of war) came in yesterday and made known that they had declined meeting us. This circumstance has made a vast deal of conversation here hitherto to the credit of our commanders—it will probably be distorted into a hundred different shapes before it's done with, I have therefore given you a correct though brief account of it. The Endymion mounts the same weight of metal with the United States and 3 on 4 guns more, and the Statira is superior to us by 1 or 2 guns. The disappointment is very great with us, for every soul calculated on taking her with ease. You see we must trust altogether to our heels.

Yours affectionately,

A. CLAXTON.

Mr. Otis' mad proposition to put forth the power of the State to defend Gov. Chittenden, is like Mr. Strong's speech perfectly in character. Nobody has threatened Chittenden with any thing more than legal prosecution (to which we most fervently hope he will be subjected.)—Mr. Otis therefore wants to have the military called out to awe the civil authority, notwithstanding all his frantic ravings about military despotism and Baltimore mobs; and he, moreover, wants to march our militia into Vermont, notwithstanding his quibbles about the unconstitutionalitudo of marching militia over the State boundaries, and notwithstanding *this last is the very ground which Chittenden has taken, and for which he is to be defended!* Perfectly in character, say we again.

Nat'l. Atts.

FROM THE NORTH.

The following extract of a letter to a gentleman in this City, has just been received. It is the latest information from that quarter.

Wash. Gaz.

Detroit, Dec. 23.

It is rumored that the British and Indians are in the neighborhood of the river Treneth, and preparations are making at Sandwich and Morden by our respective commandants to give them a warm reception, and the troops at this post are in readiness.

I presume you have heard that Gen. Cass is appointed our Governor, and is sworn accordingly; he is gone to Albany to attend the trial of Gen. Hull; Col. Butler commands in his absence. General Harrison, it is expected here, will re-assume the command.

Nat'l. Intel.

THE BILL TO ENCOURAGE ENLISTMENTS, BY INCENSING AND BOUNTIES, HAS PASSED BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS, AND WILL NO DOUBT BECOME A LAW.

THE CONFEDERACY OF THE SOUTHERN STATES HAVE MADE AN ARRANGEMENT RELATIVE TO THE BILL FOR INCREASING THE BOUNTY OF SOLDIERS, WHICH SHALL IN FUTURE ENLIST INTO THE UNITED STATES ARMY. THERE IS TO BE NO ADDITIONAL GIVE AWAY—THREE PER MONTH IS EIGHT DOLLARS—ANY CITIZEN OR NOT COMMISSIONED OFFICER WHO ENLISTS AS A LINE-BEDED MAN TO HAVE \$8 DOLLARS CHEAPER. THIS RECRUIT TO HAVE \$50 DOLLARS AT HIS ENLISTMENT, \$50 DOLLARS WHENEVER HE IS MUSTERED, AND \$50 WHEN DISCHARGED, OR AT THE END OF 5 YEARS. THIS WAS READ IN THE SENATE, AND CONCURRED IN BY BOTH HOUSES.

THE BILL TO PROHIBIT THE DELIVERY OF LOBBED GOODS TO PERSONS CLAIMING TO OWN THEM HAS PASSED THE HOUSE AND IS NOW BEFORE THE SENATE.

THE BILL TO PROHIBIT THE RANSOM OF VESSELS TAKEN BY THE ENEMY, HAS PASSED TO A THIRD READING IN THE HOUSE AND WILL NO DOUBT PASS THAT BODY.

MR. CLAY, WE LEARN, PROPOSES TO LEAVE THIS CITY ON FRIDAY NEXT FOR NEW YORK, WHERE HE IS TO EMBARK FOR GOETZBURG, HANSG. CARSON, ESQ. OF THIS DISTRICT, GOES OUT AS HIS SECRETARY.

WE ARE HAPPy TO LEARN THAT JOHN PACKETT, OF THE NAVY, WHO WAS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN KILLED AT BOSTON, HAS ARRIVED SAFELY. *U.S.A.*

A WEALTHY CITY.

BY A REPORT OF THE CITY CONSISTORIAL OF N. YORK, IT APPEARS THE EXPANSION OF THE CORPORATION OF THAT CITY FOR THE PAST YEAR HAS RAISED A MILLION OF DOLLARS, MET BY THE REGULAR FUNDS, AND LEAVING A BALANCE IN THE TREASURY. *U.S.A.*

IT APPEARS, BY THE DEBATES IN PARLIAMENT ON THE 10th NOVEMBER, THAT THE BRITISH HAVE IN AMOUNT 140,000 MEN, AND 31,000 HORSES—TOTAL 171,000 MEN ABOUT, FOR WHOM 3,235,000 POUNDS STANDING WAS GRANTED FOR THE PRESENT YEAR.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

THE JUDGES OF THE SUPREME COURT, NOW IN SESSION, HAVE PRONOUNCED THE LAW OF 1812, SUSPENDING EXECUTIONS, UNCONSTITUTIONAL. CONSEQUENTLY THE LATE LAW, FURTHER TO SUSPEND EXECUTIONS, MUST FALL TO THE GROUND; AND THE RECOVERY OF DEBTS TAKE THE USUAL COURSE.

THE REPUBLICAN STAR.

AND GENERAL ADVERTISER.

CARTON:

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 1, 1814.

By a late arrival at New York from Bordeaux, in France, papers to the 28th of Nov. have been received, which contain a flattering address from the Senate to the Emperor, and his answer, which he closed with the following sentence:

"Festivity will tell that if great and critical circumstances presented themselves, they were not above France and myself."

Despatched from the French government and from our minister, Mr. Crawford, for government, were received and forwarded to Washington by this arrival.

A Bi-monthly account of Nov. 23, says, "Letters received from Paris in this day state that a Congress is to be held at Madrid for a General Peace. The Duke of Vicenza (Confidant,) for France, Lord Abercromby for England, and Prince Metternich for Austria. The Plenipotentiaries for Russia, Prussia, &c. are not known."

Stocks had risen.

An arrival Boston brings news one day later than the above, via London, which is said to contain accounts of a victory obtained by the French on the 20th of October.

The Legislature of this State, it is expected, will close their arduous sittings during the present week; it being understood that the *22d* instant, having expended the ammunition prepared, against the general government and the republican party, he will not have longer use (at present) for his legion of choice spirits.

THE RUSSIAN MEDIATION.

The hearts of all Republicans, of all men who have repudiated an unwise and unshaken confidence in the integrity and rectitude of the administration of government—of all men, in short, of all parties whose hearts are not rooted to the core, or totally corrupted by the baser passions—must be gladdened by the flood of light shed on the history of the Russian Mediation, by the documents on that subject which have just been laid before the Public. Perhaps no assurance since the republican era, has afforded a wider field for commentary than the offer by the Emperor of Russia of his mediation between the United States and Britain. And never since the origin of civil government were the opponents of those who administered it more completely defeated, on any ground on which they made a stand, than on this. In the case at least the opposition cannot complain that the Executive has given them a stone when they asked for bread, or arguments instead of facts. They may, for ought we know, complain of the transmission of facts they never asked for—and by a good reason *qua ad* ad their views of ousting him power these new offices; because they know the facts, when elicited, would cover the leaders of their party with shame and confusion, for the false statements to which they have given currency in relation to this matter, and deprive them of all future claim on the credulity of the people.

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That the idea of the mediation originated with the Emperor of Russia personally; that it was immediately communicated to our government and to that of Britain; that Mr. Dallas' offer was specially instructed to tender it to the United States, the good offices of Russia; that the offer was accepted with the greatest plaudite by the government of the United States, who, we already know, proceeded with good faith to carry it effect, as far as in them lay, in the event of success.

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"TRUE AMERICAN" HITS.

Whatever difference of opinion may have existed as to the policy of laying an Embargo, every honest man must wish now it is laid, that it may be rigidly enforced, that rogues may not thrive at the expence of honest men.—
Our country would by such wise despatch, our rulers have will'd for a while to restrain; And infamy light on the head of the traitor, Who would trample our laws for ambition or gain."

The greatest objection that we have heard to the Embargo, was founded on the supposed impossibility of enforcing it. We think this objection will be obviated. That government has the will to enforce it, no one can doubt. That it has the means, we fully believe. Our Custom House officers can, with the powers with which they will be invested under the Embargo law, do much to give it effect; and our frigates, sloops of war, gun-boats, and privateers, will pick up most of those who may evade the vigilance of the Custom House. If the Embargo had been continued and enforced before, it would unquestionably have brought England to honorable terms without war. And with war, we indulge the hope that it may be made to contribute powerfully to the same end.

When it was known at Philadephia that an embargo was about to be laid, a number of vessels hastily went to sea, and most of them were captured by the enemy. Had they remained in port, their property, and the people who had charge of it, would have been saved to the country. The Embargo will prevent hundreds of such losses.

The blockheads who blockaded our coast, with the facility of all attempts to force us into submission to their unjust claims. The trade they would forcibly deprive us of by the Blockade, we now voluntarily suspend by the Embargo; and they will find to their sorrow that these measures taken together will injure them infinitely more than they will us. Such, indeed, has been the effect of all their measures. If they have done us much harm, they have done them more. This was the idea of Professor Ponson, when, in his "Deli's Walk," he wrote—

"Down a river did glide, with wind and tide,
A pig with vast celerity;
And the Devil he grin'd, for he saw all the while,
How it cut its own throat, and he tho' with a smile
On England's commercial prosperity."

Federalists do not say more against the taxes now than necessarily requires them to be laid, than they once did in favor of them when laid without necessity.

When the Republicans reprobated the former tax, every Federalist condemned her measure as strongly as they now do the imposition of new ones.

When Federalists recollect that it was their opposition to the embargo and other peace measures, and their siding with Great Britain against their own country, that rendered war necessary, one would think they ought to pay their taxes without grumbling. The Republicans who did their utmost to avert the war, have far the most room to complain.

A great number of Cannon have passed through this place the last week on their way to New York, to be put aboard some of our vessels of war—to feed the British!

Cum. DECATUR is said to be using his utmost exertions to discover the persons who raised the Blue lights to apprise the enemy of his intended sail. Should he find them out, he will make them look like, if not black, before he has done with them.

"The land of Steady Habits" is likely to acquire as much celebrity by her blue-lights, as she once enjoyed from her "blue laws."

Some of the federal papers pretend an abhorrence of the blue light signals; but these papers themselves are as better than those lights, being like them employed in betraying their own government and people, and aiding and abetting the enemy.

Some suppose that the Editors of "True American" prints, as well as the authors of "Blue Lights," etc., aid by Britain for their services. Certain it is, they could not be more devoted to her interests if they were.

Those who believe that none of our federal printers are paid by Britain, must think they are very generous to serve her so faithfully for nothing.

The situation of Britain must be deplorable in the extreme. In the "Christian Observer" (a London Monthly Magazine) for March last, it is stated that a report of the Association which had been formed in London for the relief of the monœcuring poor was lately made, by which it appeared that "in some manufacturing districts the pauperage amounted to almost one half of the population." The poor were reduced to the most distressing state of degradation, both of food and clothing. Want of employment, and the high price of provision, are assigned as the causes of this distress, and these causes still continue. In order to relieve them, it was proposed to lessen the consumption of oats by horses, and to supply them with meal at a penny a piece. To this wretched condition has the British government reduced millions of its subjects, by its efforts to tyrannize over

the nations, and monopolise all the commerce of the world!

Yankee, an old friend of ours, says he is born in all parts of the world.—Commodore Rodgers, though a native of Maryland, shewed the British a complete Yankee trick when he slipped in spite of all their blocking squadron.

If Capt. Smith has not had a very successful cruise, he has had a very extensive one; and has thus proved the falsity of the British motto:

"The wind and seas are Britain's wide domain,

And not a sail but by permission spreads."

Whatever doubts there may be about one of our naval officers, who have had no opportunity of doing much, all agree that Porter is a whaler.

It is suspected that hereafter Porter will be almost as unpalatable to the British as Perry.

The Creek Indians are said to complain that the Coffee we sent them was too strong and affected their nerves terribly.

The British had their bells rung to day at the news of the capture of the Chesapeake—will they ring them back again when they hear of the victory of Lake Erie?

Some time ago assign the high price of goods as one reason for turning their coats.

A Southern Tory paper [the Commercial] threatens the government with an insurrection at the eastward. Those who contemn peace and an event, would well look before they leap. This may save them from a leap which might endanger their necks.

However strong they may feel at elections, they would find themselves weak enough should they raise the standard of rebellion. Thousands who follow them at the poll, would oppose them in the field; and in the histories of the former insurrections in Massachusetts & Pennsylvania, they may read the fate of theirs should they attempt it.

Our commerce must have as many as Bonaparte, if we credit federal papers. According to them, it was destroyed by the first embargo—it was destroyed again by the non-intercourse—it was destroyed a third time by the non-importation—it was destroyed a fourth time by the war—and after all, is now destroyed by the Embargo! The truth is, it has never been destroyed, but it would soon have been, had not resistance been made to British usurpations and aggressions. Whenever his resistance brings Britain to a sense of justice, or even of her true interest, our commerce, though so often destroyed, will revive & flourish more than ever.

We lately observed that the establishment of a manufactory of pins near Boston would prick John Bull to the quick. The Columbian informs us there is a pin manufactory in the State of New York, which will be another thorn in the side of John Bull. At the rate we are going on, we shall not long need to cast a pin for English manufacturers.

Whatever vicissitudes may attend the operations of the war we are engaged in, the great work of Independence is steadily progressing in the establishments and extension of manufactures for which we have been heretofore dependent on Great Britain. Even now, when our swords and muskets are idle, millions of spindles and thousands of shuttles are in motion, every one of which is contributing to render our country more wealthy and more independent.

As the person who makes in his family most of what he wears and consumes, must get rich faster than he who buys great part at the merchant's; so the nation which manufactures principally for itself, must increase in wealth, more than one who purchases largely of其他国家.

Plentiful crops and high prices have blessed our farmers so long, that a reasonable man among them will complain of a temporary depression of their produce. They have had a rich harvest, and cannot murmur that it does not always. There is no danger, however, of the prices of produce falling very low.

Signed by Col. W.M. SHARPE, and the other Officers of the Regiment.

HEAD QUARTERS,
NORFOLK, Jan. 9.

GENTLEMEN,

For your parting communication accept my gratitude. I will not disguise the satisfaction it has inspired. The expression of your confidence at the moment that terminates our military connection, is inexpressibly dear to me. It is a proof that my motives have been understood, and that the army do me the justice to believe, that its comfort and honor have been the constant objects of my solicitude and exertions. Would to God, that my powers had kept pace with my wishes. Our services have been graced by no triumphs, nor marked by signal dangers or hair breadth escapes, the ties which by a sympathetic force bind up in one, the heart of an army.—Accept, however, the warm offerings of a Soldier's heart which acknowledges in the appellation of Brother Soldier, the claims of a warm and sublime attachment.

We learn that the friends of Wiloughby Point bound in here, when she was met by an enemy's schooner, who boarded her, after endeavoring in vain to bring her to bay, bring into her. The friends was taken in tow by the enemy, but the weather being tempestuous, it was found impossible to tow her down to the squadron, and after taking out all the crew they cut the tow-rope and sent her ashore, when she made the shore a little above the pleasure house.

On Friday last a flag was sent down to the enemy's squadron to obtain information of the crew of the schooner Friends, which vessel, (as we mentioned in our last) came ashore two nights before on Lynhaven beach. The flag returned on Saturday night with Mr. Wilson, mate of the Friends, Capt. Ogle, of schooner Teacher of Philadelphia, and Mr. Fink and four others belonging to the schooner Caroline of Philadelphia.

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The enemy have lately captured the government of your Honors' exchequer for her honor and safety.

To participate in your victory, whether of defeat or victory would be with me no less a matter of choice than of duty.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your obt. servant,

(Signed) ROBERT B. TAYLOR.

Lt. Col. Sharpe and the Officers
of the 6th Regt. of Virginia militia
lately in service of the
United States.

THE MONOPOLY.

Of that foreign produce, which is not essential to life, has from long use become necessary to our comfortable existence, such as salt, sugar, coffee, tea, &c. —as well as of British fabrics generally, has received a severe check in the pacific aspect which is worn by the late news from Britain. We predicted, and as it happened with as much truth as if encircled by a spirit of prophecy, that the first rumor of a pacific nature would prostrate precisely of this description to a fair and reasonable price. Never was prediction more singularly verified. Only two days after the expression of this speculative opinion, we announced in our column the arrival of a cartel at Annapolis—a circumstance so much beyond the ordinary bounds of possibility, that no man dreamt of its occurring. The consequence has been that all produce has fallen instantly from the highest to the lowest war prices. In N. York, we are informed, "the shock has been tremendous"—that is to say, salt has fallen from three dollars to one, sugar from 40 to 18 cents per pound. The shock may have been tremendous on a few inconsiderate and greedy men, who have stretched their credit to embrace vast monopolies of the most necessary articles of life—but the community in general cannot be otherwise than benefited by breaking down these monopolies, which, out of the pockets of the industrious mechanics and farmers were to have showered wealth to those who combined to oppress the people by producing an artificial scarcity of the articles in question. An artificial scarcity, we say, because it is well understood that there was in the country a sufficient supply of them for full two years consumption. We cannot but think, however, that the ebb of the tide has been as much too rapid as the flood—that those who hold this produce have sacrificed much of it under the influence of a panic for which there is not sufficient ground, as hastily as under the influence of an unaccountable delusion, they purchased at most extravagant prices.—If we are correctly informed, prices of foreign produce are reduced in some of our cities as much below a reasonable medium, as they have been above it.—We do not ourselves see cause for so great and rapid a depression of prices.—Let our merchants beware of the designs of those who go about from street to street, from corner to corner, crying "peace, peace, when there is no peace."—Judge fairly for yourselves, from what you have before you, and put no faith in interested preachers.

Nat. Instl.

LIST OF LETTERS
Remaining in the Post Office, at Centreville, Md.,
January 1, 1814.

A.
Francis Arlett
Henry Anthony
B.
James Bruscap
Benjamin Banner
William Blaik
Mary Blake
Samuel Burgess
Wesley Bordley
Deborah Bordley
Margaret Brady
Thomas Baker
Robert Bowley
C.
Edward Conary
Margaret Chira
Mary Creaswell
Margaret Cain
D.
Thomas C. Dawson
Mary Dawson
John Downey
William Dodson
Mary Davis
Josiah Elliott
F.
Benjamin Ford
Mary Flecherty, 2
Hugh Freeman
William H. Fitchburg
G.
John Green
Henry Gilder
George Goodwin
H.
John Hackett
John Hackett, Jr.
Arthur Holt
William Hasket
I.
John Neavitt
Daniel Newman
P.
Henry R. Pratt
R.
Thomas Ringgold
Andrew Rabour
Mary Ann Ringgold
T.
Sidney Tucker
Robert Tate
Mr. Turner
U.
Samuel W. Wright
Col. Whiskley
Perry Wimber, 2
Mrs. Warner
Elizabeth Wright
John Winton
Henry Wright
Rhoda Williams
Matthew Wilkins
Jan. 12—3

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
TO ALL MY CREDITORS,

That I intend making application to Kent county court, at March Term next, for the benefit of the Act of Assembly passed November eighteen hundred and five, entitled, "An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," and the several supplements thereto.

JOHN PARKS.

Jan. 11—1813

WANTED TO HIRE.

For the present year,
A Negro Man who understands the Farming business.

J. KENNARD.

Jan. 12—8

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from my rendezvous, on Monday the 23d August, a recruit by the name of Edward Corcoran, he was born in Talbot county, aged 25 years, about five feet 8 or 9 inches high, light complexion, light hair, blue eyes, of gentle appearance, and by profession a Silverman.—Ten Dollars Reward will be given to any person who may apprehend the deserter and return him to me at Centreville, or deliver him to any office in the United States army.

JOHN L. ELBERT,

Lieut. U. S. Lt. Dragoons.

August 31—m

RUNAWAY.

From the subscriber, living near Easton, a negro woman by the name of FINNY, about five feet six or eight inches high, of a black complexion, and about thirty years of age, delicately made, flat breast and short woolly head, large projecting mouth, thick lips and full teeth. She was purchased at the sale of Andrew Calender's property, exposed by Joseph Martin, administrator, at the Chappel, in this county, on or about the 1st of July last, and left my service on the 27th of August. She had a variety of clothing of an unaccountable delusion, they purchased at most extravagant prices.—If we are correctly informed, prices of foreign produce are reduced in some of our cities as much below a reasonable medium, as they have been above it.—We do not ourselves see cause for so great and rapid a depression of prices.—Let our merchants beware of the designs of those who go about from street to street, from corner to corner, crying "peace, peace, when there is no peace."—Judge fairly for yourselves, from what you have before you, and put no faith in interested preachers.

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John Winton
Henry Wright
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Matthew Wilkins
Jan. 12—3

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

That the subscriber hath obtained from the Orp. No. Court of Talbot county, letters of administration on the estate of John Greenhawk, deceased.—All persons having claims against said estate, are requested to bring them forward, to be duly authenticated; and all persons indebted to said estate, are requested to make immediate payment, as I wish to close the same as quickly as possible.

JESSE KIRK, Adm'r

of John Greenhawk, dec'd.

Jan. 12—3

NOTICE.

Was committed to the gaol of Frederick county, Maryland, on the 13th November last, two Negro Men, as runaways; viz. one who calls himself JOHN PRIDE; he is about 30 years of age, slender make, five feet nine and an half inches high. His clothing, when committed, were a black cloth stock coat, white Marseilles vest, coarse linen shirt, tow linen pantaloons and an old wool hat. He is a very light mulatto, grey eyes, and the middle finger on the right hand has been injured, says it was occasioned by a cut.

The other, who calls himself JACK GARDNER, is supposed to be about 22 years of age.

He is a very likely Negro, well made, and very black. He is five feet six inches high. His clothing, when committed, were a grey mixed cloath coat, white vest, coarse linen shirt and yellow unbroken pantaloons. They say they belong to Mr. Thomas Turner, of Prince William county, Virginia, or the commonwealth of Virginia. The owner, however, requested to come and release them, otherwise, they will be sold for their unimprisonment fees, as the law directs.

THOMAS TURNER, Owner

of Frederick county, Md.

Dec. 4, 1813—3

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Jepthah's widow of J. Walker, deceased.

Feb. 1—3

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Agreeably to an Order of the Orphan's Court of Talbot County—

Will be sold on THURSDAY the 17th February inst., all the personal estate of Jane Woodward, late of Talbot county, deceased, (Negroes excepted) comprising some valuable Household and Kitchen Furniture, Horses, Cattle & Sheep, Farming Utensils, &c &c. All which property will be sold on a credit of nine months, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale, except for all sums under six dollars, when the money will be required.

PAMELA SHERWOOD, Exec't,

Feb. 1—3

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As the publishers deem it necessary to inform the public, that they sent an artist to Lake Erie for the express purpose of obtaining the most correct information from Com. Perry and the officers under his command, relative to the principal scenes of action. The artist at the same time took drawings of all the vessels, British as well as American, that were engaged. The publishers beg leave to subjoin a copy of a letter on the subject from Com. Perry to Mr. John Scudder, owner of the New Panorama in N. York, which that gentleman has been so obliging to hand to them, for publication.

Copy of a letter from Com. Perry to Mr. John Scudder, New York, dated

Monday, Dec 15, 1813.

SIR—I have received your letter of the 5th October, relative to a plan of the action on Lake Erie. Soon after that, Mr. Messrs. Murray & Fairman of Philadelphia sent out an artist to that place for the same purpose, to whom I directed the commanding officers of the different vessels to give all the information in their power to render the engraving correct. I beg leave to refer you to Messrs. Murray & Fairman, or to Lieut. Turnor & Packard, on Lake Erie, who doubtless will give you the same information that was given the other artist. In all similar applications I have made the same remarks; wishing you success in your undertaking. I remain, sir, your obedient servant.

(Signed) O. H. PERRY.

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CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MR. GRUNDY'S REMARKS

On the Bill for encouraging Enlistments.

MR. GRUNDY, of Tenn. observed that a wish on the part of the majority of the House to dispatch the public business had hitherto prevented them from entering into a general discussion, and he believed the interest of the country would not justify it at this time; he should therefore confine his observations to a reply to some of the remarks made by gentlemen in the opposition. The gentleman from New Jersey, (Mr. Stockton,) asserts, that the administration has abandoned the grounds on which the war was declared, by accepting the overture made by the British government to negotiate at Gottenburg; and that by the declaration contained in Mr. Monroe's letter to Lord Castlereagh, the maritime rights of Great Britain as claimed by her are recognized, and free trade and sailors' rights are abandoned. Sir, I do feel astonished, that an attempt should be made to impose upon this House and the people of the United States by misstating the contents of a printed document so lately put into the possession of each member. What is the language used by the British minister and your Secretary of State from which the gentleman ventures to make his assertion? Lord Castlereagh in his letter of November 4th, 1813, says that his government is willing to treat "upon principles of perfect reciprocity not inconsistent with the established maxims of public law, and with the maritime rights of the British empire." In answer to this, Mr. Monroe states in his letter of the 5th of January, 1814, that the United States are willing to treat "on conditions of reciprocity consistent with the rights of both parties, as sovereign and independent nations." But, sir, does not the practice of impressment strike at the very sovereignty and independence of the American Republic, and should Great Britain insist on continuing that practice, does any American believe it can be submitted to?

No, sir, neither this nor any other administration can retain in power, who will consent, that the citizens of this country shall be subjected to such degradation. If Great Britain persists in her claim to enter American vessels and take therefrom American citizens, under the belief or pretence that they are her subjects, no peace can, no peace ought to be made.

The same gentleman has said, that this is designed to be an army on paper only. Here again the fact does not warrant the assertion. The design is to have an efficient army; an army which will make the enemy feel our strength; an army which will procure peace by their prowess and valor, if it cannot be otherwise obtained.

The honorable gentleman tells us he expects peace and rejoices at the prospect. What, I ask, is the most rational course to be pursued to enable the gentleman to realize this prospect? Is it by placing your country in such a situation as to manifest to the enemy your inability to do him damage, or is it rather by calling out the resources of the country, will enable you to carry on the war with effect should the negotiation fail? Suppose the gentleman should be disappointed, and the negotiation shortly to commence at Gottenburg should not result in a treaty, what then will be the condition of this country?—You will then be engaged in a war without any of the means provided for prosecuting it. This is surely a state of things greatly to be deprecated, and should the negotiation not succeed, this must be our situation, if the course advocated by the opposition be adopted.

Sir, the true policy which should be pursued is plain and obvious. If a just and honorable peace can be obtained, accept of it—if the enemy will not make such a peace, be ready to prosecute the war vigorously until you force him to yield to your just claims.

Permit me to examine for a few moments the ground now for the first time taken on this floor. Gentlemen say that they would grant men and money for defensive operations, and on yesterday a gentleman from Virginia (Mr. Shultz) went so far as to offer an amendment, by which the army to be raised were not to be permitted to go beyond the limits of the United States.

Sir, under the constitution of the United States, Congress has the power to declare war; it has done so; Congress has the power to furnish the means to prosecute it; but the application of the means when provided belongs to the Executive Department of the government. The President is to decide how far offensive or defensive operations are expedient. Suppose you had not only the power of raising armies, but of giving direction to them, would not the plan proposed by the gentleman from Virginia be absurd? Consult history, what nation, when at war, ever declared that its armies should not

enter the territory of the enemy? No, sir, so silly an idea was never entertained by any nation ancient or modern. What, tie your own government when at war, and place your enemy at liberty? Will you say to the military force in Great Britain, you may attack us when and where you please, but you are safe, your borders shall not be passed? What will

then be done to strengthen the enemy by going over to him. In the language of the day, were I to entreat you to have men organized to prevent the enlistments, and in the critical moment which is approaching, to weaken the United States and give to the enemy the advantage over

our arms. At, enough, Mr. Chairman, I first advanced this doctrine of moral treason on this floor, it has much higher authority for its support; and if gentlemen will not be induced by any thing I can say on the subject, surely those in this House who have learned wisdom from the accident which fell from his tongue, will regard the sentiments delivered by the venerable Dr. Witherspoon on a similar occasion.

During the Revolution he addressed a letter to his Scottish brethren in America, in which, to shew them the course of conduct they ought to pursue, he states the case of a vessel at sea being in danger, a consultation is held by the crew, in which each individual delivers his sentiments freely, and a majority determine that it is necessary for the safety of the vessel and crew to go to a particular port—some of the mariners, dissatisfied with the determination, throw obstacles in the way and refuse to perform the duties assigned them—he then asks emphatically what would be done with those refractory men? He answers, they would be thrown overboard in a shorter time than he had used in stating the case. I cannot Mr. Chairman, distinguish between the state of the country when this sentiment was delivered by that enlightened scholar and statesman, and the present.

I have said I should not at this time go into an examination of the causes which produced the war; because too much time would be consumed by a discussion on such topics—but whenever the necessary progress of public measures shall permit, I suppose the true course to be, to do the enemy all the injury you can, consistently with the usages of civilized warfare, and not permit our sympathies for those with whom we are at war, to expose our own citizens to destruction.

The gentleman from New Hampshire, (Mr. Webster) advises us to abandon the project of conquering Canada, and turn our force to the ocean, and the world to the nation will go with us. Sir, does that gentleman believe we can safely rely on a declaration of this sort? Has it not been declared by the opposition that this is an unjust and wicked war, and therefore they will not support it? Would changing the elements on which it is to be carried on, change the character of the war, or the principles on which it was declared and is now supported?

The same gentleman has said, that as public opinion is so much divided, it becomes the duty of the majority to adopt the course recommended by the minority, and thereby produce union. We answer, that this war was declared to secure the sovereignty and independence of these States, that we consider its violation prosecution essential to their preservation, and anxious as we are to see union restored, the sacrifice asked for is too great; so, in my turn, I would submit to honorable gentlemen, whether it would not be more reasonable and more consistent with the principles of this government, that the minority should surrender their opposition and unite with the majority in prosecuting the war?

They say, that all the men and money required by us shall be granted; but what condition do they impose? That they, the minority shall make the application of the force: in fact, they contend for the principle that the minority shall ultimately govern.

Sir, a sentiment I expressed at the last session, respecting the conduct of a portion of the opposition, has been much complained of. I then said, and I now repeat, that those who systematically oppose the filling of the ranks and the enlistment of soldiers, are in my opinion guilty of moral treason. By this I mean to ascertain those who, in the exercise of a constitutional right, express their opinions freely against the expediency of having declared the war, or those who from choice withhold their own money from the public service; but those are intended who, after the respective laws were passed, exerted their influence to prevent others from carrying them into effect.

With gentlemen would discuss this point, and do it with me. Sir, I challenge them to produce their arguments, to ascertain on which side truth is to be found. Take the case formerly stated and answered. An individual goes over, joins the ranks of the enemy, and raises his arms against his country; he is clearly guilty of treason under the constitution, the overt act being consummated.

Suppose the same individual not to go over to the enemy, but to remain in his own neighborhood and by means of his influence to dissuade 10 men from enlisting—I ask, in which case has he benefited the enemy and injured his country most? In the latter, no doubt; because he has weakened his country more

and has never since possessed the same confidence in public virtue, or the same solace in aiding, however feebly, the support of a fabric which was abandoned in the critical moment which followed the loss of the fleet? The answer is, all others, called for a manly and resolute maintenance of its policy, its dignity, and its authority.

We only state these feelings as an individual case; but it is only a single evidence, of which there were thousands in private—numbers who forebore to utter their grief in public, but concealed in private with each other, at the apparent degeneracy indicated both by the cause of the panic and its effect.

The present recollection of those humiliating transactions, is produced by the knowledge that a similar observation is at this moment in train.

The late motion of Mr. Otis is only the preliminary measure of a new plan of policy, in which the menaces of civil war and separation of the Union are to be brought into play—and it is calculated upon confidence in Boston, that the letters already put in circulation in different parts of the country—will produce such a concert of assault as to afflict Congress and the Executive.

We assert that this plan is in operation—meetings have been convened in Boston for the purpose, and a separation of the Union—"peaceably if we can, forcibly if we must," is to be the open and unqualified watchword.

The public may therefore be prepared to hear of a war of words and scuffles—in which the best blood of Massachusetts (if any one knows how to discriminate) is ready to be shed—while those who have refused to sustain the government of their country against a cruel enemy, are to be invoked to march to battle against the government of the Union!

This is the very form and shape of their intended daring—**BUT MARK IT! IT IS "SUCH A DARING AS THEY DARE AS SOON BE DAMNED AS DO!"**

And if the government now only does what the government had not the firmness and energy to do in the case of the Embargo—if the government will only determine to execute the laws and enforce its authority, by the only means which is calculated to operate upon flagitious traitors; they will put an end to the growing sedition, and they will stem at once the spirit of rebellion which has grown up only upon the forbearance of the other parts of the Union.

But if the Congress of the U. States, or the Executive of the U. States—will, on this, as on the former occasion, abandon themselves—if they will act, as the traitorous adherents wish them to act, if the men who have neither a country to care for, nor a posterity to cherish—if the government of the U. States will now temporize or wink at treason—these States will become what Massachusetts, through its compact, already is—A BATTALION PROVINCE—and the people will, like those of India and Ireland, have to prepare their shoulders for a yoke, such as Babylon or Algiers bondage, are blessings compared with it.

We know those measures are going on—we know the measures indicated will speedily reach Congress, and while party politicians are secretly deliberating which men they shall sacrifice to their political views—they will, if they only soberly reflect, find that no man of talents can be spared—that instead of inverting the sword upon each other, the virtue, and the intellect, and the constancy, of the contrary, are required to overawe traitors and cut off from them the provinces from which the aliment of their corruption has been poured in upon Massachusetts.

M. OTIS'S RESOLVE.

We are very much at a loss to make up our minds, whether Mr. Otis's *scarecrow* resolve is pregnant with folly or wickedness. After the fate of Mr. Quincy and the universal contempt in which he is held for his famous resolves, it was supposed that Mr. Otis would have taken warning by his brother's fate—but it seems that the Junto are determined to keep up the clamor against the government, and maintain a threatening attitude.

There is something very pompous, as well as singular, in offering the whole power and force of Massachusetts to aid Martin Chittenden for encouraging desertion in the American army. We hope the public will not be alarmed.—The government at Washington understand all this; and know how to estimate the Bobadill threats of a Massachusetts Legislature. Another view of Mr. Otis's resolve shews its contemptible folly. It pleases this State to aid the State of Vermont, with their whole power, if called upon by the Legislature. Chittenden will not be Governor of that State another year; the government will be in other and better hands—therefore old Massachusetts will not be called on for aid.

When Martin Chittenden is tried, if he ever is, will be a solitary individual without friends. All the New England States, with Gov. Straive at their heads, will not be able to save him, if he is found guilty by the United States' court. Yankee,

FROM THE NATIONAL ADVOCATE.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Washington, January 16.

The nomination of Messrs. Adams, Bayard, Clay, and Russell, as Plenipotentiaries to Göttingen, and of Mr. Russell as Minister Plenipotentiary to Sweden, was this day confirmed by the Senate.

The report from the Treasury department, presented to Congress on the 13th inst., digesting, in the form of tables, the information received from the several marshals in 1810, relative to the arts and manufactures of the United States, affords a most flattering view of the rapidly increasing resources, and solid riches of our country. These must have received an immense addition since that year; and still go on extending themselves in spite of the war in which we are engaged—*in consequence of the existence of that war.*

From these tabular statements it appears,

1.—That the whole value of the manufacturers of all the States, Territories, and Districts, excluding articles which it was doubtful whether they ought not to be considered as agricultural, was \$27,694,602 dollars. The official statement relative to New-York, which is a very erroneous and imperfect one, makes her the third manufacturing state; Pennsylvania being the first, and Massachusetts the second. But the unofficial account relating to New-York, which, probably, approaches nearer to the truth, makes her the first manufacturing state in the union—the whole value of her manufactures being \$3,367,566 dollars.

2d.—That a consideration of all the reported details, and a valuation of the manufactures, which are entirely omitted, or imperfectly returned, increases the whole value to \$12,752,676 dollars.

3.—That the value of those goods made in this country, which are of a doubtful nature, as to their character, and Manufacturers of agricultural, amounts to \$5,850,799 dollars.

4.—So that the real total amount of our manufactures, including those said to be of a doubtful nature, but which I do not consider as such, is \$19,613,471 dollars.

Thus, you have before you, Sir, an abstract of the results drawn from these important statements, from which you will be able to conclude, whether it is the true policy of the nation to sacrifice the interests of its manufactures, its internal trade, and its agriculture, to that foreign commerce, which is inferior in value to any one of these branches of industry, and draws after it a state of political dependence upon other nations, incompatible with its freedom and its honor.

The same results will also show you, that by a judicious improvement of our system of internal taxation, we may be completely independent of foreign commerce to defray our war expenses. That commerce will always yield revenue sufficient to defray the expenses of the peace establishment, and of the interest on the debt existing at the declaration of war; so that we shall only have to look to the direct tax and internal revenues, for the payment of the extraordinary war expenses. The receipts into the Treasury from these sources, will be much greater than was at first calculated; and will increase with the increasing population, and product of the land, and labour of the nation.

With this view of our resources before him, who can doubt, Sir, of our ability to continue the present contest, without shaking the public credit, or materially diminishing the national capital?

The papers relating to the Russian mediation, and our affairs with France, were this day laid before Congress. Their production confounded the opposition—whose groundless clamours will, perhaps, be for a moment silenced, by the evidence thus furnished of the upright conduct of the government. At any rate, the people will see in these documents, fresh reasons for the confidence they have reposed in their rulers.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Washington, January 20.

You will perceive that the documents relative to the Russian mediation, verify my prediction concerning them, and not only prove that the overture was originally made at St. Petersburg, but was proposed by the Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Count ROMANOFF to Lord CATHART, the British Minister, before it was communicated to Mr. ADAMS, our Minister.

TIMOTHY PICKERING, and the rest of Lord CASTLEREAGH's friends in Congress, may now rack their invention to fix some new calumny upon the government of their country. PICKERING declared, last summer, in the House of Representatives, after it was known that the President had accepted the Emperor ALEXANDER's overture, that he was convinced our government was now sincerely desirous of peace. When pressed (out of the House) to repeat what he had said, he desired to be understood emphatically, as meaning the time then present; for that he had been under a different impression at the opening of the session, which was removed by the prompt acceptance of the Mediation. How consistent this declaration was with what he afterwards wrote and published in his *Letters to the People*, is too well known to you to render any exposition of it necessary.

The "Peace Party" in the Senate opposed the appointment of the Commissioners to negotiate at Göttingen. The same party also oppose the filling the

rank of the army. They will neither suffer the administration to treat for peace, nor grant the men and money necessary to carry on the war? Would you believe it possible, that Mr. RUFUS KING, one of your Senators, spoke against the sending of Commissioners until we had heard from our Legation at St. Petersburg—and intimated, that even after they were heard from, we ought not to negotiate at any other place than this? Yet true it is, that such is the frivolous part playing by the great man who aspires to be President of the U. States! *Apropos*—his pretensions for this exaltation have been very much humbled since he has been here. His abilities, as a statesman, have been tested in a manner very mortifying to his partisans and parasites. He has been weighed in the balance, and found wanting—Instead of the talents of a NERON, & the eloquence of a ULSES, he displayed the garrulity of a superannuated old gentleman.—In short, he is no longer the of his party as their candidate.

The appointment of Messrs. CLAY and RUSSELL will unquestionably be highly satisfactory to the country. They are both men of nerve, intelligence, and probity; and though the former has no diplomatic experience, the latter will supply whatever knowledge of that sort may be necessary, whilst his commercial information will be eminently useful, & Mr. CLAY's perfect knowledge of the territorial interests and maritime rights of the nation, together with the talents and patriotism of Mr. BAYARD, will combine to give weight to the mission. It is understood to be doubtful whether Mr. ADAMS will be enabled, consistently with the duties of his station, to leave St. Petersburgh.

If the President has not already given to the country sufficient proofs of his pacific intentions, as well as of his fixed determination not to relinquish a single right which is essential to national independence, the result of this mission will put both these points beyond the reach of all question or doubt. Honorable and permanent peace is the object which he seeks thro' war. Until that purpose is obtained, he will listen to no propositions which may tend to unnerve the national arm, or to break down the spirit of the people. Those who are of a different opinion, both mistake his character, and his views of the important trust confided to him by the country.

FROM THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.

ON THE BURNING OF NEW-ARK, &c.

GENTLEMEN,

I understand that it was stated in the House of Representatives on Wednesday last, by a member from New York, 'that he had been informed by his correspondent, that the first notice the inhabitants of Newark had of the burning of that town was the flames bursting at their doors'; and that he (the member) had no doubt of the correctness of the information. I do not mean to say, gentlemen, that the member did not receive such information; but I mean most distinctly and unequivocally to say, that his correspondent has stated a fact which is notoriously untrue, and, from its nature, I am inclined to think, with a view to answer the worst and most pernicious purposes. Permit me, gentlemen, to assure you so far from the town's being destroyed without regular notice having been first given to the inhabitants; that General M'Clellan, the then commanding officer on that station, did not only give them 12 hours previous notice of his determination to burn the town, but also furnished as many of them as he possibly could with public teams to remove their effects to the most convenient place of safety. But so disgusted were many of the most respectable inhabitants with the former persecuting conduct of the British government, that, instead of retiring to the British settlements with their property, which they might have done were they so disposed, they bro't the whole of their moveable effects to this side the river, with a firm determination never to return, unless Canada should become a branch of the U. States.

I think it unnecessary to make any further remarks upon this subject. I shall therefore only observe, that wretched indeed must be the political state of any set of men, where they are reduced to the necessity of sounding their arguments upon false and slanderous information of every despicable and disaffected scribbler in the nation.

AN OBSERVER.

Washington, Jan 27.

The emperor of Russia, if his minister, Mr. Daschkoff, may be believed, entertains a more correct opinion of the conduct of our government towards Great Britain than our federal neighbors are willing to admit. The representative of "his august imperial majesty," "the illustrious Alexander," "the pacificator of Europe" at the city of Washington, says to our executive, speaking of the war between this country and Great Britain: "His majesty, who takes pleasure in doing justice to the wisdom of the United States of America, is convinced that it has done all that it could do to prevent this rupture," &c.

Those who have had such full and strong confidence in the discernment, magnanimity, and honor of the emperor Alexander (and we have never denied them in regard to the United States) are now reminded of their high encomiums on his exalted sentiments. Truly we may say, he is "a Daniel, a very Daniel, a second Daniel come to judgment!"

That the decided character given to

our national divorce, is owing to the vanity of chancier ROMANOFF, or count Daschkoff, is hardly to be presumed. It is too bold and positive a declaration to be hazarded by a minister at random, and we are bound to consider it the deliberate judgment of his Russian majesty. The fact is of no little note; and was possibly known to the British government, who on that very account may have rejected his mediation, as they might well refuse to submit the legality of "their rights to an umpire" who had so pointedly expressed himself previously against their claims. We shall be glad to see how the extract we have quoted is to be disposed of by those unfriendly to the mediation.

LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES.

BY AUTHORITY.

AN ACT

Making further provision for filling the ranks of the regular army, encouraging enlistments, and authorising the re-enlistments, for longer periods, of men whose terms of service are about to expire.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That in order to complete the present military establishment to the full number authorized by law, with the greatest dispatch possible, there shall be paid to each effective able bodied man, who shall, after first day of February next, be enlisted into the army of the United States, to serve for the term of five years or during the war, at his election, in lieu of the bounty in money and of the three months' pay at the expiration of the service, now allowed by law, the sum of one hundred and twenty four dollars, fifty dollars of which to be paid at the time the recruit is enlisted, fifty dollars when he shall be mustered and have joined some military corps for service, and twenty four dollars when he shall be discharged from service; and the wife and children, and if he have no wife or children, the parents of such non-commissioned officer or soldier, enlisted as herein before directed, who may be killed in action, or die in service of the United States, shall be allowed and paid the sum of twenty four dollars.—And after the said first day of February next, so much of the fourth section of the act, entitled "an act for the more perfect organization of the army of the United States," passed the twentieth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, as allows to each able-bodied man, enlisted into the service of the United States, in the manner therein stated, an advance of twenty four dollars on account of his pay, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of eight dollars shall be paid to any non-commissioned officer, soldier, or citizen, who shall, after the first day of February next, furnish and procure to be enlisted according to law an able-bodied man, enlisted into the service of the United States for the term of five years or during the war.

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That any non-commissioned officer, musician, and private, who has been recruited in the regular army of the United States, under the authority of the act of the eighth of April, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, entitled "an act in addition to the act, entitled an act to raise an additional military force," passed January eleventh, one thousand eight hundred and twelve, may be re-enlisted for the term of five years or during the war.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That any non-commissioned officer, musician, and private, recruited under authority of the act of the twenty ninth of January, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, entitled "an act in addition to the act entitled an act to raise an additional military force, and for other purposes," may be re-enlisted for five years or during the war.

SEC. 5. And be it further enacted, That the non-commissioned officers, musicians, and privates, re-enlisted under the authority of the preceding section, shall be entitled to the bounty allowed by this act to recruits for five years or during the war.

LANGDON CHEVES,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. B. VARNUM,

President of the Senate pro tempore.

January 27, 1814.

Approved, JAMES MADISON.

AN ACT

Authorizing the President of the United States to cause certain regiments therein mentioned to be enlisted for five years, or during the war.

BE it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he hereby is authorized and empowered to cause to be enlisted for the term of five years or during the war, the fourteen regiments of infantry which are now by law authorized to be enlisted for the term of one year, or such number of them, or of the troops composing the same, as in his opinion will best promote the public service.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That each man enlisted under the authority of this act, shall be allowed the same bounty in money and land as is now by law allowed to men enlisted for five years or during the war, and that the officers, non-commissioned officers, musicians and privates, shall receive the same pay, clothing, subsistence, and forage, be entitled to the same benefits, be subject to the same rules and regulations, and be placed in every respect on the same footing as the other regular troops of the United States.

After the Launch, a great number of the Ladies and Gentlemen assembled in one of the Sail-lofts, where a cold cut was provided, and abundance of refreshments. An hour or two was spent in social converse, and, invited by the enlivening music of the Marine Band, the younger people tripped a few measures into the mazzy dance. The company separated at an early hour. The aged spectators never saw a brighter day—those of greener years, whence has withered their youthful limbs, will recall with sentiments of pleasure the remembrance of the scene.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Albany, January 27.

GEN. HULL'S TRIAL.

The Court Martial has been occupied in examining Gen. Cass to-day [Thursday]. I am told that his testimony is not as strong against General Hull as his former letters. He states the main facts with a considerable degree of qualificati-

on.

Respectfully, &c. O. H. PERRY,

January 29, 1814.

FROM THE TANAGER.

SYNOPSIS

OF SPEECHES

IN THE MASSACHUSETTS LE-

GISLATURE.

At this moment of excitement, we doubt not the public are anxious to have a synopsis of several of the speeches that have been delivered within a few days in the Senate and House of Representatives of Massachusetts. It would disgust our readers were we to press upon them all the nauseous, vulgar and boorish harangues that have been made in both Houses in debating on the answer to the Governor's speech. The same fury and folly, for which the State has been so justly stigmatized, was still more apparent and disgusting, by the wicked conduct of a desperate faction. The first, in order, and which will serve as a correct specimen, is the speech of one FESSINGER, (an eastern lawyer,) he observed—

"The distress of the District of Maine was intolerable—the children were naked and barefoot—their families were deprived of bread for six weeks together, and they were entirely dependent on other parishes for that article, and obliged to pay 25 cents for a person to carry bread to their families. He would take the sword in one hand and the State Constitution in the other, and demand his rights—that we never complained of the French decrees—that the war was wicked and unjust—that our goods were stopped on the road and searched—that we had petitioned Congress to consider it—that the State of Massachusetts had not courage to assert her rights, and that Congress thought so from the tameness of our conduct—that it was time to take our rights into our own hands. We ought to pass a law prohibiting any person stopping vessels going from one port to another—that we ought to establish a Custom House by law, and the sooner we came at issue with the general government the better. This was not rebellion; and to enforce these means we ought to call out 30,000 militia."

[Here the House was in great disorder—the Scotchmen, Englishmen, and smugglers, who had crowded the galleries, approbated this rebellious language so violently, that the hon. speaker, very much to his credit, indignantly reprimanded them, told them that this was a deliberative Assembly, & that such conduct would not be permitted.—After which, Mr. F. resumed, and in a furious manner warned the House of their danger, if they did not adopt the measures he advised.]—He said, that the general government were giving a bounty of 100 dollars for mercenaries, and they would fall by the guillotine, or the slats from the military. To adopt the measures he proposed, was the only course to pursue to prevent the effusion of blood.

Mr. OTIS closed the debate, by a long harangue, going over the same grounds of argument he did at the town meeting of Boston, when Mr. Dexter, by his eloquence and arguments, blew up the intended convention. It was lucky for Mr. O. that his friend and rival was not there. Among many other frivolous remarks, he observed—

That the State of Massachusetts would not be alone in their opposition to the general government—all the New England States would be with them—New York and Pennsylvania would be with them; and if any of the southern states were to join the British they would compel them to return to their duty.

On Saturday the debate on the answer to the Governor's speech was resumed in the Senate. Mr. Holmes occupied the floor all the forenoon, until the adjournment. We are promised a sketch of his excellent speech, & shall touch lightly upon it, until the public are gratified with so luminous a production; which we do not hesitate to pronounce the best retaliation of federal doctrine, and the best defence of the war and the measures of the administration, we have ever heard delivered in any deliberative Assembly. We shall barely mention one or two paragraphs, which were very forcibly felt by the redoubtable Mr. Quincy. Mr. H. observed that—it appeared to him that the gentlemen were driving hard to establish a New England monarchy, before peace was concluded. If we are to have a monarchy, if we must have a King in New England, he had no objection to have JOSEPH the first—he had rather have him than GEORGE the third, for he was not quite so crazy.—He would rather have him than the Prince Regent, for he was not so corrupt and debauched.—He would rather have him than NAPOLEON, as he was not so great a military character as he was, and not so capable of doing us harm.

Mr. Quincy heard all this with perfect composure. He no doubt was content to find that even his opponent was willing to acknowledge he was not so crazy as old George, and so corrupt as his son. But when Mr. Holmes mentioned his military character in comparison with Napoleon's, his brow's drew together, he grated his teeth, and appeared to have a military spasm over his whole system; this by degrees subsided, and before Mr. H. sat down, he appeared to be tranquil and easy. Another paragraph of Mr. H.'s speech, we particularly admired. He enquired,

"What has become of the cradle of your liberties, that rocked your Hancock and your Adams?" You used it to celebrate Russian victories, the allies of your enemies, and to feast a British minister, who had insulted your government. Where are your Beacon Hill? Where are the monuments of your revolutionary glory? You have prostrated them to the ground; you have razed the hill on which were written your triumphs and

not revolutionary glory, are now stowed away under the back stairs of your State House!'

Monday.—The Senate met according to adjournment, when the order of the day was called for.—**FRANCIS BLAKE** (the British counsellor) rose and delivered a preface, full of sound, with little sense, all tending to shew his own importance, and to prepare his audience to receive his speech with respect and attention.

He spoke of important documents put upon the files and of the sighs & groans of the people. He was sorry the documents pointed out no specified course of action, but hoped before the session was at an end the tone would rise; it was now too low—that the fishermen could not take a cod fish without permission of Mr. Madison. [He here read a number of the Federalist, written by Mr. Madison, respecting a combination of the States.] He spoke of the frowns of Gov. Strong, against the gen'l government, and hoped in God the States would rise in opposition to the administration. That Vermont was regenerated, & thanked Heaven that old Connecticut never was degenerate. He said it was time to break off connection with the gen'l government, & that another political year would terminate the compact—that it would be a duty to God and our country. He did not wish to use threats; he knew he should be laughed at. He mentioned the orders in council, and agreed with Gov. Strong's positions in his speech respecting them. He spoke of British magnanimity, and declared he was not ashamed to advocate it and to be counselled for British prisoners. He cited Blackstone's Comments on the laws of England, and said it was part of the municipal laws, that the navy was to be supplied by impressment. He compared the people of England to a flock of sheep; that if any of them were to stray away and get among ours, the British had a right to enter and take them by force.—

He acknowledged that if they took any more than their own, we had a right to take them back by force. This, he said, would bring on wars and fightings.—*Very true Mr. B. it has brought on wars and fightings; yet still you are in favor of the enemy.*—He said the embargo was intended to throw us into the arms of France. He said there were features in that law more arbitrary, despotic, and tyrannical, than could be found among all other civilized nations. He spoke of the old embargo law, and said the omission of time limiting its extent, did not render it unconstitutional; the present one was limited, but was unconstitutional, because of the long term of its duration of twelve months. He said the meaning of an embargo was a temporary restraint of vessels, not to be resorted to except in extreme necessity.—[This is very true, and a greater necessity never did exist, for an embargo than now.]—He never knew of one longer than ninety days.

[Here Mr. Holmes interrupted the gentleman and said something about inconsistency.]

Mr. B. said he was willing to acknowledge he was inconsistent [*and very well he might.*] He observed, the embargo law was not binding on one citizen of the United States, and he hoped they would not suffer it [*rank treason.*] He spoke of a national bank, and sincerely hoped the government would not be able to get along without one, and he hoped they would not get along with one. He observed, the government can arrest money coming from one state to another, because it might be coming to an enemy. He said that there was no express form in the constitution for passing an embargo law, that there were prohibitory powers [he did not name them] and although General Washington did sanction the laying of an embargo, he was not a learned man—he was not a great commentator on the constitution, nor the best authority, although he did recommend to take away coasting licenses. Mr. B. here delivered a philippic against Marshal Prince, talked about his betty, and his being the representative of the U. States. He was certain that the people would, ere long, tell the legislature they would be patient no longer; they would be told so by the collected wisdom of New England. He said that the government accepted the offers of peace, because they found the people were falling off, on account of the disasters and desertions from the army, & no voluntary enlistments; that the officers were going round with drum and fife, and an old torn flag, and could not get a single raggamuffin to enlist. They knew it would be madness to reject the propositions for peace. He hoped before the legislature rose, the season for action would come. The government have appointed the speaker, Mr. Clay, to present the olive branch to the Prince Regent—a man who had more agency in making war, than any other; together with Mr. Russel, who had bearded the British government. The legislature of Massachusetts were in the paths of peace and wisdom.

The debate was here closed, on the suggestion of a federal member, who seemed to be fully aware of the folly and depravity of Mr. Blake's development, and the senate adjourned.

Tuesday.—Mr. Blake resumed the debate in the senate, on the answer to the governor's speech—he commented at some length on the conduct of Mr. Gelston, collector of N. York, & observed—

That the Manhattan Bank was engendered in sin. He said the 14th article of the bill of rights protects the citizens from search—that the embargo law was oppressive—and delivered a long philippic against it. That it exposed us to the ridicule of the world—that we do

nothing but speak and fight upon the subject. He drew a distinction between the army and navy—spoke of the Indian war, and said he knew nothing about it. Spoke of gen. Dearborn, and called him the god of war! said he looked on and saw a battle, got married and made his fortune. Spoke of gen. Smith, who, he said, ran away from an incensed populace. Spoke of gen. Wilkinson, and the battle of Cornwall. Mentioned gen. Hampton, and the Irish gen. M'Clure, the ex-patriot.

Talked about the burnings of New York, Niagara, Buffalo, &c.—and forty miles square depopulated; children separated from their mothers; and (strange to tell) mothers from their children!—that the finger of Providence was seen in it. Spoke of the great P. B. Porter, said his village was burned, and the tears and cries of the children furnished the music for Porter's war banquet. He said that British influence did exist, and he was proud of it—he was proud of the *anchored isle*—he was proud of their influence in America—their laws, of their manners, their religion. All our blamishments of life are to be ascribed to that mortal nation. Spoke of Mr. DUANE, and the common law of England, about burning books, &c. [Mr. Holmes resented him here.]—Mr. B. here declared there was more practical liberty in England than in any other section of the globe.

"He was ready to exchange this constitution for that of Great Britain, monarchy and all!"

He spoke of the cradle of liberty, and our revolutionary spirit, he admitted it had gone from us—and asked, why should the cradle of our liberty be preserved; why should it remain? it would only reprove and reproach us. It was well the hill was swept away—it would be as well if Bunker-hill was also swept away. He spoke of a convention and military preparations to execute the project of our wise men.

Mr. Wells here reminded him about his offensive British declaration, but Mr. B. said he would make no apology.

Henryism revived!—At the late federal legislative caucus in this town, it is said a motion was made for introducing a resolution into the legislature, to the following effect.

That thirty thousand men be immediately raised by the state of Massachusetts;

That two million dollars be appropriated for their pay and subsistence;

That new custom houses be immediately established;

And that vessels be cleared out in opposition to the embargo!!

In fewer words, that Massachusetts should secede from the union, and take up arms to oppose the national government; thus bringing upon the country the horrors and calamities of civil war.

These threats are of a similar character to those held out by the federal legislature of 1809, while the British emissary JOHN HENRY, resided at Boston, as the choice inmate, and bosom friend of the leading men of the federal party. The public cannot but remember the eulogiums passed upon these proceedings by the secret agent, in his letters to Gov. Craig.

We believe the principle object of the federal leaders in resorting to these violent threats at the present moment, are to divert the public mind from the contemplation of the late documents from Russia, which place the American Government upon such distinguished and highly honorable ground. We hope and believe that the good sense of the people will defeat their designs, and that these important papers will receive the attention they so justly merit, in defiance of every attempt to draw the public mind into a different channel. *Bost. Pat.*

A great man fallen!—After Mr. Holmes had concluded his able and eloquent speech on Wednesday afternoon last, Mr. Quincy arose; but from some occult and hidden cause, before he had convinced the senate that the eloquence of CICERO, in comparison to his own, was but the sing-song of incapacity, he faints and fell!

Genius and eloquence will never cease to lament, in sackcloth and ashes, the irretrievable loss sustained by them in the fall of Quincy.

Ibid.

Massachusetts Senate.—The violence of the governor's speech has, as might be expected, produced a corresponding violence in the legislative answers. While these answers were under debate, the spirit of party, by the intemperance of the opposition, was carried to as great a height as we ever witnessed; particularly in the senate. But we congratulate the state, and the country at large, that the republicans have in that body a champion, so fully able to defend the glorious cause in which he is engaged.—Mr. Holmes, of Alfred, with the nerve of that warrior who carries dismay into the ranks of the Philistines, boldly presents himself to host of opponents, and like him is victorious in every contest. No wonder that Mr. Quincy shrinks, and even faints, under the force of his powerful arguments. We never witnessed a more eloquent speech than that of Mr. Holmes. From the countenances of many of the opposition, it was evident that this speech had forced conviction on their minds, although a false pride prevented them from acknowledging it. *Ibid.*

A considerable reinforcement of British ships of war have arrived off New London; and some fears are entertained that they mean to make a dash at the American squadron in that harbor.

THE REPUBLICAN STAR, AND GENERAL ADVERTISER.

EASTON:

Tuesday Morning, February 8, 1814.

MARYLAND MEMORIAL.

This noted production of the House of Delegates, which is taking the rounds in certain papers, was on Wednesday last introduced in Congress by C. Goldborough, Esq. read, and ordered to lie on the table, when Mr. G. moved to have it printed for the use of the members. The motion was opposed by Messrs. Wright, McKim, Archer, Robertson, Calhoun, Erps, &c. and supported by Messrs. Goldborough, Pitkin, Grosvenor, Webster, Hanson, &c.—when the question was taken yeas and nays, and decided as follows:

For printing, 63

Against it, 39

So that at least one of the sedition inventives against the war and the general government, has received that quietus from Congress, which the free and independent Marylander will approve.

Having neither room nor inclination to crowd the columns of the Star with such sentiments as are contained in the memorial, we will for the present give the concluding sentence of Mr. Apes, as to its merits. In his remarks in opposition to its being printed: "As to this remonstrance, which but for the noted Allegany election—but for a single vote, might have been of a different character, the House of Delegates could find other means of disseminating it. It contained nothing new or that deserved printing; it was the mere common place trash daily circulated through certain presses in the country."

In our preceding column the reader will find some local sentiments expressed by members of the Senate of Massachusetts; and as they have now thrown off the mask, and appear in their true colours, no one can be at a loss as to the real object, and the lengths they would go, did they dare to act: but they have no confidence beyond their own treasonable way of words. The virtue of the economy of that State have permitted them to go thus far—beyond certain bounds they will not attempt.

The cloak being thrown aside by the leading federalists of Boston, the People will set their way to the polls in April next, when it is expected they will break down the strong arm of faction and rebellion, by giving place to their former DEXTER, in support of union and the cause of their country.

Certain factious of the 'Boston Stamp' have been in the habit of preparing some powerful instruments on the eve of an election; but it is supposed the one now served up smells too much of rebellion for the people to swallow this spring; its monomaniac effects might not be got rid of before the busy season.

Boston factious can vote for raising 30,000 men, and two millions of dollars for their equipage, to fight whom?—THEIR BROTHERS! But lo! not a man, nor a dollar, to oppose the Irish and their savage allies. Will the people look at these things? There are federalists of the 'Boston Stamp' out of the cradle of the Revolution.

We learn by private letters from the North that the health of Gen. WILKINSON is now perfectly established, and that he left Waterford on the 20th instant, on his return to the camp at French Mills. *Nat. Intel.*

We learn that Brig. Gen's. GEORGE LEARD and JACOB FOWLER have been promoted to the rank of Major Generals in the Army of the United States; and that Colonels ALEXANDER MACOMBE and THOMAS A. SMITH, have been promoted to the rank of Brigadier Generals. *Ibid.*

The Legislature of New York convened this day week. In the House of Assembly James Elmo was chosen Speaker. The next day a concurrent resolution unanimously passed both Houses, granting fifty thousand dollars from the public Treasury, for the relief of the sufferers on Niagara frontier; and the Senate passed a bill for the assumption and payment of the State's quota of the direct tax. We have received Governor Tompkins's speech, which we shall publish. *Ibid.*

Baltimore, Feb. 3.
Capt. PERRY proceeded for Philadelphia this morning.

Hon. Mr. CLAY arrived at the Fountain Inn, last evening, and proceeds for the Eastward to-morrow morning.

Vice President GERALD arrived at the Fountain Inn, last evening, and went on to the seat of government this morning.

The distinguished Mr. DEXTER, Judge Story, and Solicitor General DAVIS, of Massachusetts, are in the City.

From Albany, Jan. 26.
The Court Martial have commenced the trial of Gen. Hull to-day in good earnest. Mr. Van Beuren, special judge advocate, made an able, candid and ingenious opening, and the remainder of the day was spent in reading official papers, &c. in evidence on the part of the prosecution.

Columbus:

In Congress, debate is the order of the day. Both Houses are engaged in an unlimited, and it would almost appear, interminable debate on the state of the Union. The House of Representatives have been engaged for two days in a discussion on a bill to raise three regiments of Riflemen, in the course of which, neither Riflemen or the bill have been so much as mentioned by three-fourths of the Speakers. The debate has been on a continuation of that which commenced on the other army bills, only much more desultory, and of course less interesting; an inference which may be readily deduced from the circumstance, that at the usual dinner-hour yesterday the House was left without a quorum to do business.

In the face of all this evidence of satiety of debate, it was amusing enough to hear an opposition member, the day before yesterday, imploring the majority to afford that opportunity they had pledged themselves to give, to debate the state of the nation—and this, too, when we could name not a member of the opposition who has made less than four or five speeches of an hour length, or thereabouts, on these army bills! We do not mean to find fault either with the length or latitude of the discussion, when we say that we think we could find a subject to occupy a full day's debate, more pertinent to the question of raising a few gentlemen, than the military prowess or personal qualities of a Major General and Colonel of Militia—which vastly momentous topic has actually occupied the best part of the valuable time of the House of Representatives for the two past days.

The Senate, we learn, has been equally engaged in debate, perhaps of a more dignified, but not less free and severe character than that in the other house. The ablest members on each side have taken the floor. There too, as well as in the house, the war and its conductors have been branded as wicked, unfeeling and murderous;—and those who have thus thrown the gauntlet have in retaliation been charged as a wicked, des-

perate and nefarious faction. Perhaps our readers will think these are unseemly terms—and we agree with them. There is an old adage, however, that hard words break no bones; and having on the one hand vented their waspish humors in execration on the government, and those who support it, and on the other hand received in return the castigation they well merited—it may be hoped both parties will recover their temper, and unite in support of an honest and upright government in its assiduous endeavors to wage a vigorous war, by means which to obtain an honorable peace. *[Nat. Intel.]*

NOTICE. CITY BANK OF BALTIMORE,

January 31st, 1814.
Agreeably to a resolution of the board of Directors, the Stockholders are required to pay the third instalment of FIVE DOLLARS on each share of stock in this institution, on or before FRIDAY the first of April next.

By order,
JAMES STEPHENS, Cashier.

Feb. 8—3

TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE,

In Dorchester county, State of Maryland, lying immediately on the post road leading from Cambridge to Vienna. On the farm is a two-story brick dwelling house, 30 by 32, with three rooms on the lower and four on the upper floor; a brick kitchen and covered way, with other out houses necessary to carry on the farm.—Also a young bearing apple and peach orchard. The land is in a good state of cultivation, adapted to the growth of wheat and Indian corn.—About one half of the land is timbered. As it is presumed that no person will purchase, without first viewing the premises, a more particular description is necessary. Possession will be given immediately, and terms known by applying to the subscriber on the premises.

Henry Travell.

Feb. 8—3

QUEEN-ANN'S COUNTY OR- PHANS' COURT,

February 9th, 1814.
On application of SARAH NOEL, administratrix of Perry E. Noel, late of Queen Ann's county, deceased.—It is ordered that she give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate; and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks, in both the newspapers published at Easton.

Wm. H. NICOLSON, Reg'r
Will Queen Ann's county

In compliance with the above order,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,
For the creditors of Perry E. Noel, late of Queen Ann's county, deceased, to bring in their claims, properly authenticated, on or before the 10th day of August 1814; they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

SARAH NOEL, Adm'r

Centreville, Feb. 8—3

TAKE NOTICE.

All persons are hereby warned from breaking down fencing, or riding through the Farm, property of Charles Henrix, deceased, as it proves destructive to the produce growing thereon; as I am determined to put the law in force against all persons whatsoever, without any respect, who attempt to violate the aforesaid warning. Given under my hand this 7th day of February, 1814.

JOHN GREGORY, Adm'r
of Charles Henrix, dec'd.

Feb. 8—3

NOTICE.

The "Eastern Light Infantry Blues" are ordered to meet at Easton, on TUESDAY, 22d instant, at 10 o'clock A. M. in complete uniform, with their equipments in ample order.

WILL: HARRISON, Jun.
Lieut. Commandant

Feb. 8—3

CAVALRY.

The Independent Light Dragoons are ordered to meet at Easton, on TUESDAY, 22d instant, at 10 o'clock, at their usual place of parade, in uniform with arms and accoutrements in good order, with four blank cartridges. It is confidently hoped on such an occasion as the celebration of the birth of the illustrious Washington, every member will be punctual in their attendance.

G. W. SMITH, Capt'n.

Feb. 8—3

NOTICE.

The "Eastern Light Infantry Blues" are requested to stand at Easton-Point, on SATURDAY the 19th day of February, at 10 o'clock A. M. to regulate the concerns of the Company.

CLEMENT VICKERS, 1st Lieut.

Feb. 8—2

MILITARY BALL.

Notice is hereby given, that a MILITARY BALL will be held on the 22d of February 1814, at Mr. Henry's Long Room, formerly occupied by Mr. Solomon Lowe. All gentlemen in the adjacent counties are particularly invited to attend. It is needless to remind them, that as the anniversary of the greatest man the country ever produced, it has a particular claim upon all patriotic gentlemen.

By order,

John Meredith,
Jabez Caldwell,
Daniel Martin,
William Harrison, Jun.
James Nicholson,
David Kerr, Jun.
Alexander Hande,
Theodore Denby,

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PUBLIC SALE.

According to an Order of the Orphans' Court of Talbot County—

Will be sold on THURSDAY the 17th February next, all the personal estate of James Sherwood, late of Talbot county, deceased, (Negroes excepted) comprising some valuable Household and Kitchen Furniture, Horses, Cattle & Sheep, Farming Utensils, &c. &c.—All which property will be sold on a credit of nine months, the purchaser giving note with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale, except for all sums under six dollars, when the money will be required.

PAMELA SHERWOOD, Exec't.

NOTICE.

On a credit of twelve months, and be exposed at public vendue, on WEDNESDAY the 23d instant, if fair, if not, the next fair day, agreeably to the Will of WILLIAM CHAPLAIN, dec'd. at his late dwelling below the Town—

The whole of his personal estate (Negroes excepted) consisting of various kinds of Household and Kitchen Furniture, that of the best quality, Boxes, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Calf, Hay, Hides, Flax, dress'd and undress'd, a good Mill, Farming Utensils, and a number of other articles too tedious to mention.

A credit of twelve months will be given, on all sums of ten dollars and upwards, by giving their notes and approved security; all sums under ten dollars the cash must be paid before a removal of the property. The sale will continue until the whole is sold, and to commence about ten o'clock.

MARY CHAPLAIN, Exec't.

of Wm. Chaplain, dec'd.

NOTICE.

CITY BANK OF BALTIMORE.

January 31st, 1814.

Agreeably to a resolution of the board of Directors, the Stockholders are required to pay the third instalment of FIVE DOLLARS on each share of stock in this institution, on or before FRIDAY the first of April next.

By order,

JAMES STEELETT, Cash'r.

CHESTERTOWN AND WILMINGTON MAIL STAGE.

The subscribers respectively inform the public, that the Stage from Chestertown to Wilmington has commenced running thence, and about twice a week, via Middle Town, Rock Island, Red Lyon, and west to Wilmington.

The Stage will leave Chester Town every Monday and Friday, at 5 A. M. and arrive in Wilmington on the evening of the same day. Wednesday, Wilmington, early Monday and Friday, at 5 A. M. and arrive in Chester Town on the evening of the same day.

The subscribers are determined to use every exertion in making this line convenient and as possible. Travellers will get on with more speed and comfort than has been experienced in any conveyance for several years.

Fare of Passengers four dollars, with the usual allowance for baggage.

J. CALDWELL.

D. WITHERSPOON.

N. B. All baggage of the value of one dollar.

TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY ACRES OF LAND FOR SALE.

In Dorchester County, State of Maryland, lying immediately on the post road leading from Cambridge to Vienna. On this farm is a two-story brick dwelling house, 30 by 32, with three rooms on the lower and four on the upper floor, a brick kitchen at a covered way, with other out houses necessary to carry on the farm.—Also a young bearing apple and peach orchard. The land is in a good state of cultivation, adapted to the growth of wheat and Indian corn.—About one-half of the land is timbered. As it is presumed that no person will purchase, without first viewing the premises, a more particular description is needless. Possession will be given immediately, and terms known by applying to the subscriber on the premises.

Henry Travers.

Feb. 8—3q

MAP OF LOWER CANADA.

PROPOSALS,
BY A. LAX, of New York, and J. WEBSTER, of Philadelphia,

FOR PUBLISHING BY SUBSCRIPTION.

A NEW AND CORRECT MAP OF LOWER CANADA.

Compiled from Holland's large Map of said Province, published from actual survey, made by order of the British government. Laid down on a scale of seven miles to an inch, with all the late revisions, corrections, and improvements,

BY AMOS LAY, LAND SURVEYOR.

This Map will give an extensive view of the country north of New-York, Vermont, and N. Hampshire; to which is correctly delineated all the Rivers, Lakes, Mountains, Counties, Districts, Townships, Roads, and Villages, with all the principal places of note, and fortified towns, viz: Quebec, Montreal, Three Rivers, William Henry, Chambly, Isle Noix, and St. Johns.

CONDITIONS.

The proposed Map will be engraved in the best style, by Henry S. Tanner. The size is thirty-four by twenty-three inches. The price to subscribers will be two dollars in the sheet, coloured.

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Copy of a letter from Com. Perry to Mr. John Scudder, New-York, dated

NEWPORT, Dec. 15, 1813.

SIR—I have received your letter of the 5th October, relative to a plan of the action on Lake Erie. Soon after that affair, Messrs. Murray & Fairman of Philadelphia sent out an artist to that place for the same purpose, to whom I directed the commanding officers of the different vessels to give all the information in their power to render the engraving correct. I beg leave to refer you to Messrs. Murray and Fairman, or to Lieutenant Turner and Pickett, on Lake Erie, who doubtless will give you the same information that was given the other artists. In all similar applications I have made the same references; wishing you success in your undertaking, I remain, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) O. H. PERRY.

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QUEEN ANN'S COUNTY OR PIANS' COURT,

February 5th, 1814.

On application of SARAH NOEL, administrator of Perry E. Noel, late of Queen Ann's County, deceased—it is ordered that she give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate, and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks, in both the newspapers published at Easton.

WM. H. NICHOLSON, Reg'r.

Will Queen Ann's County.

In compliance with the above order,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

For the creditors of Perry E. Noel, late of Queen Ann's County, deceased, to bring in their claims, properly authenticated, on or before the 10th day of August 1814; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

SARAH NOEL, Admin'r.

Centreville, Feb. 8—3

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN.

That on the first day of February next, or immediately thereafter, the Assistant Assessors within the district will proceed throughout the same, for the purpose of taking lists of the LAND, GROUNDS, WITH THEIR IMPROVEMENTS, DWELLING-HOUSES, AND SHAVES, subject to the United States direct tax, and for valuing and assessing the same. All persons dealing, possessing, or having the care or management of such property are required by law to deliver to the Assistant Assessors written lists containing a true and accurate description of the same, and are hereby notified and warned to be present on said first day of February next, or immediately thereafter, to exhibit the same, according to the quantity provided by law, for negroes or reduced in the return.

LEWIS D. JACKSON, Principal Assessor of the First District of the State of Maryland.

Brown Hill, Jan. 25, 1814.

FROM THE AURORA.

BRITISH INFLUENCE.

We see every day, even in the actual state of war, the power and force of that influence against which so little precaution has been used, and to which the *boldness of our government in every department has contributed to encourage*.

Examples of audacious treason, such as have been exhibited in the U. States almost every day since the declaration of war, were never before seen in any country, nor ever suffered by any people with such criminal and stupid apathy.

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NOTICE.

FROM THE STANDARD OF UNION.

THE TIMES.

The present session of congress is advancing. Much has been effected, but more remains to be accomplished. The security and reputation of the nation, as well as the safety of the constitution, rests with the representatives of the people.—We trust that they will guard the most deposit committed to their hands.

Congress are placed in a situation of great responsibility, a responsibility which is every day increasing. We have been told that our constitution is the child of experiment, that it is adapted to the sunshine and calm of peace; but, that it is too impotent to encounter, and too fragile to endure the storms of war. We look to the event with suspense and exceeding great solicitude. A pusillanimous or temporising policy, by impairing public confidence, might or would shake our political system to its centre.

We live at a time which requires great resolution, as well as strict justice. If the strength of the constitution remains to be tried, the sooner the better. Let us meet the question like men. An appearance of timidity would invite the very evils which we deprecate. Conspirators, if there are such men among us, would grow bold, confident and foolhardy. They would have time to prepare, mature, extend, and ripen their plots. Preventive remedies are always best. The embryonic spark of rebellion should be extinguished.

A portion of the Massachusetts legislature is behaving unworthily. But we are not to mistake their idle scoldings for the solemn and deliberate voice of the state of Massachusetts.

Conspirators may assemble to their midnight orgies, and be scattered around the quivering flame of their "blue light" taper, until their countenance become as pale as death—they may convene at Annapolis, celebrate British victories, and drink dagger toasts until they are staggered, but they have neither forces nor courage to march to the field of insurrection. The citizens of Massachusetts know the value of union, they respect their own character too much, they prize the blessings obtained by a seven year's revolutionary struggle too highly, to stake them upon the desperate fortunes of a few corrupt and unprincipled adventurers. The editor of that firm and excellent paper, the Boston Patriot, knew his men, as well as the public sentiment thoroughly, when he plainly told them that they might talk of treason as much as they please, and whenever they ventured to act it, they would find a halter. Away with their vainglories.—Rebellion would discover itself a self-devoted victim, to prove the strength of the constitution. The "steamy habits" of New England are not to be so easily plunged without a banquet, into a wild adventure, upon a boisterous and perilous ocean. It is time to speak plain. Let conspirators endeavour to rest tranquil upon their pillows, and to undream the dangerous dreams they have dreamed. The nation fears them not, it feels no danger, it totally defies their machinations. There will be many a fearful pause, and many a solemn painful calculation, before they are ready to levy and embody an army of insurgents. Sirs, to every man who could be beguiled into rebellion, ten thousand swords are ready to leap from their scabbards, to maintain the reputation and the rights, the integrity, union, and constitution of their country.

The repeal of the last embargo act is much to be regretted. It was a most unfortunate and untimely yielding. It gave Britain an idea that our government is weak, and has encouraged domestic faction ever since. That fatal misstep of repeal has been the occasion of many a subsequent misfortune, and has probably, more than any circumstance, occasioned the present war. It is not our province, and we presume not to inculcate lessons to our superiors in wisdom and experience, but we shall humbly mention one essential maxim of sound policy. *Never commit an act which is wrong—never by reason of meanness or impetuosity, surrender a measure which is right.* The men who now pretend to question the constitutionality of the present embargo law, are quibblers instead of reasoners, who will dispute every authority and attribute of the government. We repeat what we have mentioned before, that an embargo is not an innovation or a novelty, growing out of a "populist's whim," but a measure of an efficacious character, equally calculated to protect ourselves and to distress the enemy. We farther repeat, that it is a peace measure, calculated to prevent war, or force your antagonist to desist from it; and that even when it fails in producing that effect, it keeps your strength entire, your food from nourishing your property from enriching, foreigners residing among you from corresponding, and your torcs or bladders from us, for we shall not dispute about the name, from assisting the enemy. Under Gen. Washington's administration, on the 1st June, 1779, an act of congress passed, not to lay and regulate an embargo by that honorable body itself, but to authorise Gen. Washington, and their President, at his own sole will and discretion, to "lay, regulate and revoke an embargo." That act was commanded by the talents of Gen. Hamilton, who afterwards marched the willingness of the British government to treat with us to its "power and self-respecting influence." Far stranger, that men, so wise in my conception, as our good and honest intention, so duly devised

to consummate the beneficial purposes of the nation, is now opposed, and why? Because an unprincipled opposition, resolved to pander, is determined to condemn and *not* to exonerate, to hale every noble and virtuous character from the stage.

Congress possess the power of declaring war. The nation had, exclusively, entrusted that honorable body with the power of raising armies, and with every other means to carry it on. Shall the interests of this great community, the liberties and precious rights of eight millions and an half of free men, be sacrificed to an Essex junta—a British faction—a set of men who preferring to "reign in hell, rather than serve in Heaven," stand ready, if they cannot govern, to abandon their country to its base and bitter enemy? There always will be factions among us. They spring from the freedom of our institutions. It is a price which we shall always have to pay for our liberties; but the evil is not the less to be guarded against. It must always be expected that malcontents will have a majority in one or more states of our general confederacy, and should the national government yield to local clamor, great national purposes never would be executed. It is charitably hoped, that no serious internal movements are meditated in favor of the foes; and surely it may here, emphatically, be mentioned, that if there are gentlemen who have any constitutional points to discuss and settle, it would be much more patriotic and becoming, to unite in the first place, to conquer the enemy; and let us Americans adjust these matters between ourselves, when the war is over.

Shall the third campaign terminate prosperously, and every branch of the government be supported? This is the great point immediately to be decided.—When Scipio delivered the Romans from the great Hannibal, his first step was to carry the war into the enemy's country. Battles must be fought somewhere. We must invade the enemy or they will invade us. The further the scene is removed from our own homes, the safer and better it will be for us.

Our subject is to be continued.

FROM THE STANDARD OF UNION.

IS THE FIRST BLOW STRUCK?

What does Governor Strong, what does Mr. Otis mean? To what length will disaffection proceed? Are these gentlemen governed by mere party spirit, or by something that aims at bolder and deeper views? If they really side with the enemy in the great commercial and maritime questions which agitate the country, or if it is their wish to dissolve the Union, it is hoped they will have the magnanimity to say so at once, and put the voice of the country, and the strength of the government, to a trial. If the malcontents of Boston meditate an insurrection, they are requested to remember the fate of Siuys. We are writing the history of the tories; where did Governor Strong stand last war? We have read his last speech, and possessing perfect knowledge of characters, his Excellency's merits shall not pass unnoticed.

We read in Gordon's history, vol. 1, p. 190, that in the year 1752, when Bernard was Governor, and Hutchinson Lieutenant Governor, there were two gentlemen of the name of Otis, to wit, Colonel James Otis the father, and Mr. James O. the son. Colonel James, the father, who was repeatedly returned for Barnstable, in Plymouth county, notwithstanding the strenuous efforts, which had been made to prevent it on account of his siding with government, being a lawyer, had been promised by Mr. Shirley, when in the Chair, to be made a judge of the supreme court upon an opportunity's offering.—The first vacancy which happened was filled by the appointment of the Secretary's son-in-law; for which Mr. Shirley apologised by pleading a promise made to the Secretary, and his having forgotten the former one. Mr. Otis was satisfied with a fresh assurance of the next vacancy, which was considered by him in the light of a government— and it was expected that whenever a vacancy happened, Mr. Otis would be appointed. There was no new vacancy till a short time after Governor Bernard entered upon his administration, when Chief Justice Sewall died. Upon this death, Mr. James Otis, the son, expressed himself as follows: "If Governor Bernard does not appoint my father judge of the supreme court, I will kindle such a fire in the province, as shall singe the Governor, though I myself perish in the flames." Mr. Hutchinson, however, hurried to Mr. Bernard, procured a promise, which being once given, the Governor would not retract, and got himself appointed Chief Justice. It is asked whether the Mr. Otis who made such a flaming speech, was an ancestor of the Mr. Otis, who now threatens to kindle so destructive a fire in the State of Massachusetts?

Again also, in the said first volume of W.M. H. Hargrove, dated at Fort Cuba (Havana) the 15th of November, 1813.—The writer states, that in the year 1794 he went from the county of Norfolk, where he was born, to the western country; that he was living in the county of Baldwin, Mississippi Territory, that about three years since, he, with some others, were seized by a party of Spanish soldiers and conveyed to the island of Cuba, and that he has been confined in the above named fort ever since, for what cause he has not been informed.—As we shall forward this letter to the representative in Congress for the Mississippi Territory, we shall not state further particulars.

the present Mr. Pickering, whether he is acquainted with the Colonel Pickering, who makes so shrill a figure in the above history?—And, since we presume that Mr. Sims is dead, whether the Colonel would discover more bravery and alertness, at the head of a body of insurgents.

When the safety of a nation is at stake, said Junius, suspicion is a just ground for inquiry.—We perceive events, which excite something more than suspicion. America nurtures and nourishes too many faithless sons in her bosom.—There is no project too base or vile for the tories. They would serve their master, through fire and through water. If they durst attempt it, they would drench the country with kindred blood, to bring it to subjection to the king.—Let us compare a few circumstances together, and stand prepared to resist every attempt, which can be made by men who had rather "rule in hell than serve in heaven." Henry, writes that the British might calculate upon the alliance of Vermont; accordingly, we find that when the virtuous sons of that state array themselves in the defence of a beloved country, Chittenden, the Governor, exercised a most irregular usurpation of authority, endeavoring to control, and seduce them from their allegiance. The noble spirited and able reply of the officers, ought to have convinced Mr. Otis, and every candid federalist, that the conduct of Chittenden, instead of deserving support, merited the utmost execration. And now, when congress is investing the subject and deliberating upon the propriety of directing an appeal to the laws of the land, Mr. Otis and his coadjutors, think proper to volunteer the whole force of Massachusetts, not in defence of his country, but to support Chittenden against his country. These are fine doings Mr. Otis, and will read about as well in history, as the facts which we have just selected, and cited from Gordon. But, what do you mean, Mr. Otis, do you wish, sir, that troops should be raised in Boston, and for what purpose?—You, who would discourage the regular recruiting service, you, sir, who would be unwilling to permit your militia to march, to the defence of a sister state, to protect your brothers from the scalping knives, and swords of a barbarous and cruel foe; are you now ready to march to Vermont, encourage insurrection there, and to kindle the unhallowed fire of civil war, though you may be singed by the event?

Do you wish, sir, that Massachusetts should withdraw from the union? Do you really prefer the fugitives of Halifax, and Port Roseway, to the inhabitants of Pennsylvania and New York? If there should be gentlemen who meditate such desperate schemes, we conjure them to desist, and to spare themselves and their country from the shocking consequences of a civil conflict. In the spirit of charity we trust that no such designs are seriously meditated; that the language of the resolutions in question, is only held out in terror. We trust that government will consider it in that light, and not suffer itself to be deterred from an honorable and dignified course. Massachusetts was the cradle of the revolution. She abounds with faithful and virtuous sons, and tho' alas! too many of her children have become degenerate, we feel convinced that the great majority will rally around the standard of the union, and constitution of their country. At all events, let us know the worst—let the question be fairly tried; if the union is a rope of sand, if the constitution is a reed instead of a rock, if the government does not possess the power to confer that safety and protection upon the whole nation, which was the principle and great end of its establishment, then it would become entirely useless, and we should deceive ourselves if we trusted to its guardianship. We are as little disposed to usurpation, and as much attached to proper state privileges as Mr. Otis can possibly be; and if that gentleman really entertains doubts with respect to the powers of the general administration, we cannot but think that he would discover more wisdom, as well as patriotism, by advocating wholesome amendments to the constitution, than by introducing disorganizing resolutions in a state legislature.—We view those resolutions with exceeding great alarm. We think they merit the utmost reprehension. We consider them unjust in point of principle; ill timed; calculated to assist the enemy, to encourage him to preserve his favorite scheme of dismembering our empire.—To prolong the war—to invite invasion to enfeebles our own government—to diminish national confidence in our political institutions, and, in fine, to introduce a train of calamities, which we scarcely dare to contemplate. We drop the pen—to our beloved constitution we say *adieu!* Let the final hand of destruction be stayed.

NORFOLK, FEBRUARY 5.

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WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 10.
Copy of a letter from Brig. Gen'l. Clark
of Volunteers, to the Secretary
of War, dated

Bethel, East Bank of Alabama,
35 miles above Fort Stoddert, Jan.
15, 1814.

SIR,
On the 13th ult. I marched a detachment from this post with the view of destroying the towns of the imbecile Creek Indians, on the Alabama, above the mouth of the Cahaba. After having marched about 30 miles, from the best information I could obtain, I was within 20 miles of a town newly erected on ground called Holly, occupied by a large body of the enemy, under the command of Witherford, the Half Breed Chief, who was one of those who commanded the Indians that destroyed the garrison at Moultrie August last, and who has committed many depredations on the front inhabitants. I immediately caused a stockade to be erected for the security of the heavy baggage and sick. On the morning of the 23d the troops resumed their line of march, chiefly through woods without a track to guide them near the town on the morning of the 23d, my disposition for attack was made. The troops advanced in 3 columns. With the centre column I advanced myself, ordering Lester's Guards and Wells' troop of dragoons to act as a corps of reserve. About noon the right column, composed of 12 months volunteers, commanded by Col. Joseph Carson, came in view of the town called Ecanachacha (or Holy Ground) and was immediately vigorously attacked by the enemy, who were apprised of our approach, and had chosen their field of action.

Before the centre, commanded by Lt. Col. Russell, with a part of Sdr'tg. U. S. infantry and mounted militia riflemen, or the left column, which was composed of militia and a party of Choctaws under Shumahutaha, commanded by Major Smoot of militia, who were ordered to charge, could come generally into action, the enemy were repulsed & were flying in all directions, many of them casting away their arms.

Fifteen of the enemy were killed, and judging from every appearance many were wounded. The loss on our part was 1 Corporal killed, and 1 Ensign, two Sergeants, 1 Corporal and two privates wounded.

A pursuit was immediately ordered; but from the nature of the country, nothing was effected. The town was nearly surrounded by swamps & deep ravines, which rendered our approach difficult, and facilitated the escape of the enemy. In the town we found a large quantity of provision and immense property of various kinds, which the enemy flying precipitately, were obliged to leave behind, & which, together with 200 houses, were destroyed. They had barely time to remove their women and children across the Alabama, which runs near where the town stood. The next day was occupied in destroying a town consisting of 60 houses, 8 miles higher up the River, and in taking & destroying the enemy's boats. At the town last destroyed was killed 3 Indians of distinction. The town first destroyed was built since the commencement of hostilities, and was established as a place of security for the inhabitants of several villages. The leader Witherford, Francis, and the Choctaw Sinquintur's son, who were principal Prophets, resided here. Three Shawnees were among the slain.

C. Carson of the volunteers, Lt. Col. Russell of the 3d regt. U. S. infantry, and Major Smoot of the militia, greatly distinguished themselves. The activity and zeal of the Assistant Dep. Quarter Master General, Capt. Wert, and of my Brigade Major, Kennedy, merit the approbation of government. I was much indebted to my Aid de Camp, Lieut. Calvert, of volunteers, to Lieut. Robeson of the 2d regiment, and Major Callier of militia, who acted as my Aids on that day, for the promptness and ability with which they performed their several duties. The officers of the different corps behaved handsomely, and are entitled to distinction. Courage animated every sentry, and each tried with the other in rendering service. I have taken the liberty of communicating to you directly, in consequence of the distant station of the General commanding the district, and also for the purpose of forwarding to you the enclosed original document which was found in the house of Witherford. It shews partially the conduct of the Spaniards towards the American government.

The 3d regiment has returned to this place, and volunteers are on their march to Mount Vernon near Fort Stoddert for the purpose of being paid off & discharged, their terms of service having generally expired.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your excellency's most
Obedient servant,

FRED'L L. CLAIRBORNE

Brig. Gen. of Vols.

His Excellency John Armstrong.

Copy of a letter from Brig. Gen'l. Floyd
to Maj. Gen'l. INGRAM, dated

Camp DeSoto, 46 miles west of Chat-

houche, Jan. 27th, 1814.

Major Gen'l. PRESTON,
Sir—I have the honor to acquaint your Excellency, that this morning at 20 minutes Past 3 o'clock, a very large body of hostile Indians, made a desperate and violent attack upon the army under my command. They shot upon the troops, nothing will be done. Our forces will repel them, and with great impulsion, only pushed upon our lines; in 30 mi-

nutes the battle became general, and on front, right and left flanks were closely pressed; but the brave and gallant conduct of the field and leaders, and the armament of the men, repelled them at every point.

The steady firmness and incessant fire of Captain Thomas's artillery and Captain Adams's riflemen preserved our front line; both of these companies suffered greatly. The enemy rushed within 30 yards of the artillery, and Capt. Broadnax who commanded one of the picket guards maintained his post with great bravery until the enemy gained his rear, and then cut his way through them to the army. On this occasion Timpoochie Barnes, a bold breed, at the head of the Uchees, distinguished himself and contributed to the retreat of the picket guard; the other friendly Indians took refuge within our lines and remained inactive, with the exception of a few who joined our ranks. So soon as it became light enough to distinguish objects, I ordered Majors Watson's and Freeman's battalions to wheel up at right angles with Majors Booth's and Cleveland's battalions [who formed the right wing] to prepare for the charge. Captain Duke Hamilton's cavalry [who had reached me the day before] was ordered to form in the rear of the right wing, to act as circumstances should dictate: the order for the charge was promptly obeyed, and the enemy fled in every direction before the bayonet. The signal was given for the charge of the cavalry who pursued, and sabred fifteen of the enemy, who left thirty-seven dead on the field, from the effusion of blood and the number of head-dresses and war-clubs found in various directions, their loss must have been considerable, independent of the wounded.

I directed the friendly Indians, with Meriwether's and Ford's rifle companies, accompanied by Capt. Hamilton's troops, to pursue them through Calilee Swamp, where they were trailed by their blood, but succeeded in overtaking but one of them wounded.

Col. Newman received three balls in the commencement of the action, which deprived me of the services of that gallant and useful officer. The Ass't. Adj. Gen. Norden, was indefatigable in the discharge of his duty, and rendered important services: his horse was wounded under him. The whole of the staff was prompt, and discharged their duty with courage and fidelity; their vigilance, the intrepidity of the officers and the firmness of the men, met my approbation and deserve the praise of their country. I have to regret the death of many of my brave followers, who have found honorable graves in the voluntary support of their country.

My aid de camp in executing my orders, had his horse killed under him. Gen. Lee and Major Pace, who acted as additional aids, rendered me essential services with honor to themselves and usefulness to the cause in which they have embarked. Four waggon and several other horses were killed, and two of the artillery horses wounded. While I deplore the losses sustained on this occasion, I have the consolation to know that the men which I have the honor to command have done their duty.

I herewith transmit you a list of the killed and wounded, and have the honor to be, most respectfully, your obedient servant,

(Signed) JOHN FLOYD,
Brig. Gen.

Here follows a list of the killed and wounded in the above action, which is omitted in the Star from the want of room.]
Total killed, 17; total wounded, 152.
(Signed)

CHARLES WILLIAMSON,
Hospital Surgeon.

N. B. One of the wounded since dead
—5 of the friendly Indians killed, fifteen
wounded.

BOSTON, Feb. 1.
In regard to the British provincial alignment, now sitting in this town, nothing is to be apprehended. The violence of the poor impotent wretches who are now venturing their malignant ravages against the nation, will, most certainly cause a reaction. The honest and well meaning, and the moderate of the federal party are entirely dissatisfied with the conduct of these infamous British partisans. A few days since, when Mr. Quincy was delivering his harangue in the senate chamber, the hon. Jonathan Mason was present, and expressed his great dislike to the promulgation of such sentiments, and said they were calculated to ruin any party. He said the doctrines advanced were fallacious, the arguments weak and slender, and the delivery ranting and boisterous, without ease or dignity. Mr. Mason, you will recollect, is a federalist, but does not hold communion with the junto—he is in sentiment with L. C. Bonaparte. It is a fact, that the question was agitated in the federal caucus recently held at the coffee house, whether it would not be advisable to raise an army of 50,000 men—borrow in the first instance, two million of dollars of the respective banks, pleasing the state to encumber for the purpose of carrying their project into effect, of violating the embargo, and thereby create civil war. This shamed many of the country members, who said they could not accede to such a project—that they felt bound to obey, not to violate laws. This mad and wicked and foolish project was brought forward by the leaders of the party, but I presume you know too much of these contemptible cowardly braggarts to believe them—nothing will be done. Our forces will repel them, and with great impulsion, only pushed upon our lines; in 30 mi-

by disturbance, the republicans would have nothing to do but look on and smile, while honest federalists of the Dexter and Mason school, would make the refractory British insurgents a *bad* *short*, and scatter their bodies to the four winds of heaven.

This has justly been denominated *the season of bravado's*; for previous to the meeting of our legislature, every thing was quiet, and little or no discontent among the people. The truth is our tories feel the force of the documents relating to the Russian Mediation; to them they are like an overwhelming catastrophe.

They know they establish the justice, and honesty of the government; therefore, it is necessary, for their existence as a party, for them to exist as such by fair and honorable means, to raise a hue and cry against the government to destroy their effect, but this infamous business will prove unavailing: the people will roar, pause, and reflect, and "render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's."

CHARLESTON, Feb. 2.
ATTACK ON THE SCH'R. ALLI-GATOR.

The following is the official account of the attack on the U. S. sch'r. Alligator, by the British barges, as transmitted to Commodore Dent.

U. S. sch'r. Alligator,
Hopewell, Jan. 31, 1814.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that the U. S. sch'r. Alligator, under my command, was attacked on the evening of the 29th inst. then lying to an anchor in Stono River, and abreast of Coles' Island, by six boats from the enemy's squadron.

On the 17th Dec. the Gov. Tompkins captured the British ship Hornby, Kerries, of Hull, from London, for St. Domingo, laden with some dry goods, and armed with 14 guns—manned her, and ordered her for the United States. The Hornby belonged to the fleet of 180 sail, from Portsmouth for the West Indies, having previously separated from the fleet with 26 others, which were a short distance to the southward, under convoy of the Queen 74.

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The Gov. Tompkins left New York in company with the privateer sch'r. Mars, which she parted with on the seventh day.

FROM THE BALTIMORE PATRIOT.

St. Lawrence, about twenty miles above French Mills, and that they began to fortify the Point, to make a permanent stand there, which, if they could have effected, would have given them the complete command of the passage of the River next spring. Forsyth attacked them with his riflemen, killed several, & drove the rest from the Point over the River, and rest them; but after being in Canada a short time, the enemy collected so fast, in such force, that he was obliged to return. He had none killed.

A VALUABLE PRIZE.

Arrived at New-York, on Tuesday last (and saluted the Fort in passing Governor's Island) the fine coppered British ship Nereid, Rogers, prize-master, of 280 tons, 14 guns, and 27 men including two prisoners of war, with a cargo of Dry Goods, Hard Ware, Jewelry, Iron, Coal, &c. valued at 75,000 pounds sterling, a prize to the privateer Governor Tompkins, Shalor, of this port, captured on the 19th of December, in sight of Maderia, after an engagement of 11 minutes, in which the British captain (Bennett) and one seaman were slightly wounded—no person was hurt on board the privateer. The Nereid sailed from London on the 26th of November, for Buenos Ayres, and has a cargo on board consisting of 250 bales of dry goods, 263 packages and trunks do. 156 casks (hds.) and tierces) of hardware and Jewelry, 863 bundles iron hoops, 80 bars of iron, a quantity of coal, &c. &c. [The Nereid was formerly the James Cook, of Newburyport.]

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MARYLAND DELEGATES.

While foreign and distant concerns continually occupy public attention, excite curiosity or rouse indignation; it is fit, that we look at home a little; and watch what our curiously-constituted House of Delegates are about—curiously-constituted, inasmuch as they do not represent the people; but to this last moment of their sitting, are polluted by the presence of men, who are merely instruments of a fraud. We respectfully ask the attention of all honest citizens of Maryland to the following statement, which very clearly inditutes the true political character of the party, who, for opposing their country's cause, ask their confidence.

Mr. Howard, of Allegany, one of the very intruded men into that body by a shameless fraud, did move, citizens of Maryland, that the JUDGES OF ELECTORS SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED BY THAT HOUSE, NOT TO RECEIVE THE VOTE OF MEN AT WORK ON THE CUMBERLAND ROAD, [or on highways generally] NOR MILITIA MEN IN THE ACTUAL SERVICE OF THE STATE!! It is true, the federalists took fright at the infamous proposition. It is true, a complaisant federalist suggested, that not being prepared to act on it, he hoped Horwad would withdraw the motion. The substitute for a Delegate, it is true, found he had inadvertently displayed more of the spirit of federalism than was prudent; and consented to withdraw. But Gen. STANSBURY saw it, and it was too good to withdraw. A democrat, by calling the yeas and nays, *prevented the proposition to be put on the journal*—and there may it ever remain, a damning proof of federalism for the people's rights!

It is by such imprudent *leakings* out from weak brethren, that we learn the true character of an usurping, intriguing faction. The plotters gloss over the designs with some art; but now and then, a blundering friend discloses the arcana of their Washington Society. Who ever heard of so insolent and vile a proposition as the one in question? We know not, in which point of view, it is most reprehensible. In the first place, it makes the House of Delegates competent, by single vote, to alter the constitution, by instructing their creatures, the judges of election!! In the next place, by summary process, it disenfranchises men for the crime of being in arms to defend their country!! It inflicts a punishment to a freeman, more galling than any the most infamous, for the simple offense of being found in arms to repel invasion, and protect the *holyland*. Had the author of all evil been specially consulted, on the most callous and absurd outrage, on common sense and the rights of the citizen, his diabolical ingenuity could not have devised a more base and detestable one.

GEN. WILKINSON'S ARMY.

Two officers arrived at Boston on Saturday evening from Plattsburgh, which place they left on Thursday last, from whom we learn, that the report of 900 British troops and 16 pieces of cannon being taken by a part of Gen. Wilkinson's army, about 1000 strong, went to surprise an out post of the British army, situated about 16 miles from French Mills, consisting of about 700 regular troops; but the British obtaining information of their approach, retreated, and the detachment returned. They also state, that they saw officers from the army who left the French Mills the day before, from whom they learn that the whole army was under marching orders, (destination unknown)—and were expected to break up their encampment in a few days. Gen. Wilkinson was at Plattsburgh; he had perfectly recovered his health and spirits.

FROM PLATTSBURGH, Feb. 2.
To the Editor of the Columbian.

It is said here, the British came over to Massena Point, on our side of the

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THE REPUBLICAN STAR, AND GENERAL ADVERTISER.

EASTON:

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 15, 1814.

CARRIAGES.

With a view to our own, and the gratification of our readers, application was made to the Collector of the Second Collection District of Maryland, for a list of the kind and number of Carriages, on which taxes were payable, in said District—and we are politely furnished with the following; though possibly it does not include all, yet it may be considered nearly complete:

CARTERS,	QUANTITY,	COUNTRIES.		Number and Rate of Duty.
		At \$ 20 Per Ann.	At \$ 15 Per Ann.	
2	2	1	1	At \$ 20 Per Ann.
7	2	2	2	At \$ 15 Per Ann.
25	15	15	15	At \$ 10 Per Ann.
53	25	25	25	At \$ 7 Per Ann.
130,000	55	55	55	At \$ 4 Per Ann.
306	359	359	359	At \$ 2 Per Ann.
123	466	453	453	Total Amount of Carriages.
302	1384	1214	1214	Dolls.
327	61	59	59	Cents.
90	8	8	8	Cents.

Entered in the Second Collection District of Maryland, Talbot & Caroline Counties.

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Feb. 15—1

EDWARD NEEDLES.

Feb. 15—2

NOTICE.

The subscriber, intending to leave this State, will sell at Public Auction, on MONDAY the 21st inst. on a credit of six months, all his stock of Horses, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, Farming Utensils, and sundry articles of valuable Household and Kitchen Furniture, &c. &c. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock.

EDWARD NEEDLES.

Feb. 15—3

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of the late Dr. William E. Seth, dec'd. of Talbot county, are desired to make payment to the subscriber—those having claims against said estate, are requested to bring them in properly authenticated.

Also, those who purchased property at the sale of said deceased's personal property, are informed that their notes are now due, and payment is expected to be made to the subscriber, without delay, or those who may authorize to collect the same.

Those neglecting, will be proceeded against after the first day of April next.

TRISTRAM NEEDLES.

Feb. 15—4

CHANCERY SALE.

By virtue of a Decree of the Chancery Court of Maryland, the subscriber will expose to public sale, the following Property, being part of the Real Estate of SAMUEL ANTHONY, late of Talbot county, dec'd. on the days and terms following viz:

On TUESDAY, 15th of March next, one two-story Brick House, and Lot, in the town of Easton, opposite Mr. Rice's tavern, occupied by John Bennett, Esq. fronting on Washington street 27 feet 6 inches, and running back 12 feet to an alley. On said Lot are Kitchen, Stable, Carriage-house, &c. all in good repair, being built only a few years. Sale will take place at 12 o'clock, on the premises.

On WEDNESDAY, 16th of March, a Farm, supposed to contain 150 acres of Land, well adapted to the growth of Wheat and Corn, adjoining the late residence of said deceased, formerly the property of Thomas Abbott, of Easton—On said farm the improvements are out of repair. The sale will take place at eleven o'clock.

On the same day, immediately after the above sale, will be sold about 50 acres of Land, principally of wood, and that of a good quality, on which is a small settlement. This Land adjoins the Lands of Henry Morgan and William Thomas, and lies about three miles from the above Farm.

On SATURDAY, 19th of March, part of an undivided Tract of Land, situate on Dividing-Creek, adjoining the Lands of Joseph and Solomon Martin, containing about 200 acres, on which is a two-story frame dwelling house. The out houses are out of repair.

As it is presumed persons inclined to purchase any of the above property, will view it previous to the sale, the subscriber deems it unnecessary to give a further description previous thereto, at which time the number of acres in each case, with other particulars will be made known, and attendance given by him.

All the above property will be sold to the highest bidder, on the days mentioned, should the weather permit, if not, the first fair day thereafter, on a credit of four equal annual instalments, the purchaser giving bonds and approval security to the Trustee, bearing interest from their dates until paid; and on payment of the purchase money, the subscriber will give good and sufficient deeds.

WILLIAM JENKINS, Trustee.

Talbot county, Feb. 15—5

BROKE GAOL.

Wednesday night, 9th inst., one dark mulatto man by the name of Daniel Johnson, about 6 feet 8 or 10 inches high; he has a large beard and whiskers. He is well known in and about Easton—he says he was set free by a lady of Easton, formerly Miss Marjorie McCullum.

He was committed to gaol on suspicion of stealing a horse.

Alas a bright mulatto man by the name of Nathan, (late of Mr. Robert Gardner, a Kent land,) about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, of a perfectly look. He was committed to gaol on suspicion of piloting the British ship to Queenstown.

Any person apprehending both or either of said negroes, and returning them to the gaol in Easton, shall be paid all reasonable expenses they may be at in so doing.

RICHARD MORRISON, Sheriff.

True copy. Test—

J. COOKERMAN, Clerk.

of Queen Anne's County.

Feb. 15—6

QUEENSTOWN & BALTIMORE PACKET.

SLOOP PINKNEY.

C. PICKARS, Master.

Will commence running, as usual from Flamingo Point to Baltimore, on SUNDAY NEXT, 20th instant, at 9 o'clock, A. M.—Returning, leaves Baltimore every WEDNESDAY at the same hour, during the season. For freight or passage apply as heretofore.

Feb. 15—7

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G. GRIFFIN, Master.

Having excellent accommodations, (six to eight berths,) for passengers, will commence running regularly on WEDNESDAY MORNING next, from Queen Anne's county, with a deck, cabin, & deck house, 30 by 36 feet, with a cedar interior, almost new, and completely finished, with a kitchen, smoke house, stable, and carriage house, all new, and a large garden.

Likewise for sale, a copper Still and Worm, almost new, supposed to contain about forty gallons

FROM THE ATLANTIC MAGAZINE.

THE BATTLE OF ERIE.

Away, honest Jack! now before you get mellow,
Come in us that have just; my honest old fellow,
Bout the young Commodore, and his fresh wa-
ter crew.
Who had held the Briton, and captur'd a few,
We were just at sunrise, and a glorious day,
Our squadron at anchoring in Put-in-Bay,
When we saw the bold Britons, and start for a
bout.

Instead of put in, by the —, we put out!

* Up went Union-Jack, never up there before;
* Don't give up the ship," was the motto it bore;
And as soon as the motto our gallant men saw,
They're for their Lawrence, & shouted huzzah!

* O! then 'twould have rais'd your bat three
inches higher.

To see how we dash'd in among them like fire!
The Lawrence went first, and the rest as they
could;

And a long time the brunt of the action she stood.

* 'Twas pepperin' work—fire, fury and smoke,
And groans from the wounded had spite of 'em
broke.

The water grew red round our ship as she lay,

The 'twas never before so, till that bloody day.

* They fell all around me like spars in a gale,
The shot made a sieve of each rag of a sail,
And out of our crew scarce a dozen remain'd,
But those gallant lads still the battle maintain'd.

* 'Twas then our commander, God bless his

young heart,

Thought it best from his well-pepper'd ship to

depart,

And bring up the rest who were tugging behind,

For why—they were sadly in want of a wind.

* So to Varnall he gave the command of his ship,

And set out like a lark, on this desperate trip,

In a small open yawl, right through their whole
fleet;

Who with many a broadside our took boat did

greet.

* I stood'her, and fumme, if every inch

Of these timbers of mine at each crack didn't

shook;

But out that little Commodore, cool and serene,

To stir n'er a muscle by any was seen.

* Whole volleys of muskets were level'd at him,

But the devil a one ever graz'd even a limb,

Though he stood up aloft in the stern of the boat,

Till the crew pull'd down by the skirts of his coat.

* At last, through Heav'n's mercy, we reach'd

Other ship,

And the wind springing up, we gave her the whip,

And ran down their line, boys, through thick
and through thin.

And both'd their crews with a horrid din.

* Then starboard and larboard, and this way and

that,

We hang'd them, and rack'd them, and laid their

masts flat,

Till one after 't other, they haul'd down their

flag,

And an end put for that time to Johnny Bull's

brag.

* The Detroit, and Queen Charlotte, and Lady

Provost,

Not able to fight or run, gave up the ghost,

And not one of them all from our grapplings got

free.

Though we'd fifty-four guns, and they just sixty-

three

* Smite my limbs! But they all got their bellies

full then,

And found what it was, boys, to buckle with

men,

Who fight, or what's just the same, think they

fight,

For their Country's free trade, and their own na-

tive right.

* Now give us a bumper to Elliott and those

Who came up, in good time, to belabor on foes,

To our fresh-water sailors we'll toss off one more,

And a dozen at least to our young Commodore.

* And though Britons may brag of their ruling

the ocean,

And that sort of thing, by the —, I've notion,

I'll bet all I'm worth—who takes it—who takes it?

Though they're lords of these, we'll be lords of

the Lakes!"

LEGISLATURE OF NEW YORK.

TUESDAY, JAN. 25.

His excellency, Gov. TOMPKINS met the two Houses in the Assembly Chamber, and delivered the following

SPEECH:

Gentlemen of the Senate,
and of the Assembly.

It would have given me great satisfaction to have had it in my power to congratulate you on this occasion upon the return of the advantages and blessings of peace. The government of the United States, both before and since the commencement of the present war with Great Britain, has uniformly evinced a disposition to adjust, upon liberal and reciprocal terms, the existing differences between the two nations. The appointment of envoys plenipotentiary—who repaired to Europe so early as May last, upon the proffered mediation of the Emperor of Russia, furnishes an incontrovertible proof of that disposition. It does not appear that a spirit equally conciliatory has influenced the councils of the enemy. The good offices of the Emperor have been declined, and a position has been submitted to our government by the Prince Regent for transferring the feature of negotiation to London or Gothenburg. The President has given further evidence of his desire to terminate the calamities of war by acceding to that overture also. It is to be hoped that the contemplated negotiation may result in the conclusion of an honorable and lasting peace. But when

we consider that pacific conferences are greatly protracted by the proposed change of the place of treating, when we reflect upon the non-acceptance by the Prince Regent of the mediation of His illustrious friend and ally—upon the former inadmissible pretensions of the British Government and upon the terms of Lord Castlereagh's recent communication to the Secretary of State, out of a late supplementary law to the 20th

hope of a favorable issue ought not to be a day of February. The advantages which

sanguine, in the late proposition, have accrued to our citizens, and of course

proceeded from a willing yield to reasonableness upon principles which may be natural and consistent with the established maxims of public law, the impending conference will very probably eventuate propitiously. But we ought not to permit the hope of that result, to fill us into a fatal security; for it may be that we must ultimately depend upon a unanimous, vigorous and successful prosecution of the unavoidable contest in which we are involved, for the establishment and security of our just rights.

It was not to be expected after so long a period of peace, that upon the first declaration of a war by the United States, a well organized and efficient army could immediately be brought into the field. There was little experience of the revolution remaining in the country, and to develop military talents and national resources and to give them the most wise and beneficial direction is the work of time. In tracing the progress of our arms in the last campaign, however, there is as much cause of pride and congratulation as it was reasonable to hope for.

The navy has maintained, if not heightened, the lustre of its antecedent character. Arduous battles and brilliant victories, surpassed by none recorded in the annals of history, and which have given splendor to the American name, have been fought and won by it.

The capture of York, the taking of Fort George, the conquest of Proctor's army, the subjugation of the western Indians, the successive victories over the Creeks, the defense of Sandusky, of Sackey's Harbor, and of other places, are honorable to our arms and have exhibited traits of conduct and intrepidity in the army that justify high expectation. These gratifying events, it is true, have been followed by some disappointments and disasters.

Public expectation was highly excited by the last movement of the main army and was greatly disappointed at the failure of the supposed object of that movement.

The recent invasion by the enemy of the western frontier of this state, and the extraordinary surrender to him of the garrison and fort of Niagara, the burning of flourishing villages and settlements—the pillage of private property, and the massacre of peaceful inhabitants of that frontier by a savage foe, are melancholy occurrences calculated to excite the liveliest sympathy for the sufferers, and to rouse the indignation of every friend of humanity and of his country. The conduct of the enemy during that invasion was marked by a disregard of the rules of civilized warfare, and by a malignant ferocity. Many of our fellow citizens, who were at peace with their families, were murdered and scalped. The bodies of many of those who were wounded or taken prisoners in the engagement at Black Rock, have been found mangled in the most shocking manner, by the tomahawk and scalping knife.

The distresses of the families who have thus become the victims of a cruel and unprecedented warfare call for the immediate and liberal interposition of the legislature. The character and dignity of the state, as well as justice to our exposed and suffering fellow citizens, demand the exertion of its utmost power and resources to punish the atrocities of the enemy, and render that frontier secure in future from his incursions and cruelties.

The measures which were taken upon that emergency, with the requisitions, correspondence, orders and reports relating thereto will be especially communicated without delay.

You will permit me gentlemen, to remark in this place, that the want of some legal provisions whereby the burthen of defense may be more equitably diffused, and the less wealthy part of the community relieved from the disproportionate share of actual service to which they are subjected by the existing laws, the want of legal power for enforcing summary obedience to the authority delegated to officers by the militia law, and to supply food, quarters and transportation for troops called out under state authority, render it impossible for the militia to repel invasions immediately and effectually.

I must likewise be indulged in again eliciting the attention of the legislature to the propriety of raising corps of volunteers, of giving them suitable remuneration for their clothing and an increase of pay. These corps might take the field upon any emergency, without the tedious process of detaching assembling and organizing men from remote districts, and would perform any actual service which might legally be required more safely than detached militia.

By an act of congress passed in June last, a direct tax was laid upon the United States, and in the apportionment the sum of four hundred and thirty thousand one hundred and forty one \$2,100 dollars, has been imposed upon the state of N. Y. The same law distributes the quota of each state in the several countries thereof, but authorizes the state legislature previously to the first day of April next, to vary that apportionment, and divides each state to a deduction of fifteen per cent upon paying its quota into the treasury of the United States, before the tenth day of February next, and of ten per cent if paid before the first day of May next. The limitation of time to have the benefit of a deduction is to a careful tenant, and immediate possession may be had. Apply to

HENRY D. SELLERS,
Millbrook, Jan. 25—

to the state, by the payment of this quota directly from the treasury, are too obvious to be controverted. The saving to the citizens of this state of about sixty five thousand dollars, aid to the state of the expense of assessment and collection will amount to nearly one hundred and thirty thousand dollars. The number of inhabitants and the amount of wealth of the respective counties of this state, very essentially from year to year, so that it is scarcely possible at any time to make a perfectly equitable distribution of tax amongst them. A considerable part of our unsettled lands are owned by non-residents. The inconveniences and sacrifices of the inhabitants of some counties arising from their exposure to the enemy, and from the frequent calls which have unavoidably been made upon them to perform actual militia duty, have been such that it would at this particular juncture, be unreasonable and severe to levy upon them any part of the direct tax.

The state can advance the present tax without any material embarrassment of its treasury or call upon its citizens.

In one thousand eight hundred and eight, a loan at seven per cent was made by the state of its citizens, for their accommodation and relief, under the revenue laws. The privilege of borrowing from divers banks, at five and six per cent interest is reserved to the state in the acts giving or extending their several characters. It is therefore in our power to borrow at a moderate interest the amount of the direct tax before mentioned, to advance it for the benefit and accommodation of our citizens, and to appropriate and pledge for its repayment the securities taken for former loans by the state. The importance of this subject to our constituents and to the interest of this state and of the nation, will, I trust, recommend it to your early and serious attention.

Soon after the last adjournment of the legislature, two persons were convicted in this city of the crime of murder: the one as principal in the first degree and the other as being present, aiding and assisting in the commission of the crime. I Judge it to my duty to suspend the execution of one of them. The report and documents upon which this respite was founded are now presented to you.

Gentlemen.—The progress and success of domestic manufactures and improvements of every kind; the high price obtained by the husbandman for the products of his labor, and the general health, prosperity and tranquility (except in the lamented instances already noticed) which has prevailed within our state during the last year, call upon us to render fervent gratitude to that indulgent Providence, who has mingled so many of the enjoyments and benefits of peace with the afflictions of war. Let us therefore implore him to continue his benedictions upon our beloved country, and to gain us unanimity, patriotism and wisdom, to pursue at this important session the most essential interests of the State and of the Union.

DANIEL D. TOMPKINS.

Albany, Jan. 25, 1814.

A GOOD JOKE.

Some time in December last, the ALBION 74, procured, in Tarpaulin Cove, a large supply of provisions, &c. and being well pleased with the quality and price of the articles obtained, the captain was induced to leave funds with the innkeeper at that place to lay up a large stock, as he intended shortly to return, and he wished to have the supply ready.

This good Blue Light innkeeper, anxious to convince this officer of his Britannic majesty how desirous he was to obtain his good opinion, immediately undertook the job, and in a short time procured all the articles required. Now, mark the result: The Liverpool Packet privateer, cruising on the same station, received information from the Albion what a clever fellow they had met with; and assured the captain of the privateer that he might also avail himself of this good man's friendship—who, shortly after paid him a visit, and begged him of the whole of his purchases, consisting of sheep, rice, poultry, &c. and made off with the booty, leaving the deluded landlord to settle his accounts for disbursements with the commander of the Albion.

I must likewise be indulged in again eliciting the attention of the legislature to the propriety of raising corps of volunteers, of giving them suitable remuneration for their clothing and an increase of pay. These corps might take the field upon any emergency, without the tedious process of detaching assembling and organizing men from remote districts, and would perform any actual service which might legally be required more safely than detached militia.

By an act of congress passed in June last, a direct tax was laid upon the United States, and in the apportionment the sum of four hundred and thirty thousand one hundred and forty one \$2,100 dollars, has been imposed upon the state of N. Y. The same law distributes the quota of each state in the several countries thereof, but authorizes the state legislature previously to the first day of April next, to vary that apportionment, and divides each state to a deduction of fifteen per cent upon paying its quota into the treasury of the United States, before the tenth day of February next, and of ten per cent if paid before the first day of May next. The limitation of time to have the benefit of a deduction is to a careful tenant, and immediate possession may be had. Apply to

JAMES ANDERSON, adm'r.
of Isaac Anderson, dec'd.

Jan. 1—

TO RENT.
The house and premises lately occupied by JOHN THORPE, deceased, with a store house and granary annexed, the rent will be moderate to a careful tenant, and immediate possession may be had. Apply to

HENRY D. SELLERS.

Millbrook, Jan. 25—

NOTICE.

All owners and masters of vessels in the District of Oxford are hereby cautioned against carrying cargoes or leaving the District until they come to Oxford and comply with the embargo not passed December 17, 1812, and those that have been confined to the Chesapeake, and are still to be, and principally kept hence to Baltimore, and no suspicion of a violation entertained with sufficient sanctity, and take a permission accordingly.

JOHN WILLIS, Collector.

Jan. 25—

FOR SALE.

About 560 acres of LAND, situated in Talbot county, adjoining the lands of William Roberts, being a part of the estate of the late Samuel Chambeau, Esq., deceased. Those lands have a full proportion of timber, and all other advantages of forest lands. A credit of one, two and three years will be given for two thirds of the purchase money, one third thereof being paid on the sale; or BANK STOCK will be received in payment for the whole or in part. Apply to

JOHN L. KERR.

Feb. 8—

TAKE NOTICE.

All persons are hereby warned from breaking down fences, or riding through the Farm, the property of Charles Henrix, deceased, as it proves destructive to the produce growing thereon; as I am determined to put the law in force against all persons whatsoever, without any respect, who attempts to violate the aforesaid warning. Given under my hand this 7th day of February, 1814.

JOHN GREGORY, Adm'r
of Charles Henrix, dec'd.

Feb. 8—

UNION TAVERN.

The subscriber having taken the Inn lately occupied by Mr. Thomas Henrix, directly opposite the Bank and Post Office, respectively informs his former customers, and strangers, that he is determined to keep the best fare that can possibly be procured. Private rooms, and the best accommodations in respect of eating, drinking, and attentive servants, can be had at times as well as good hostlers, and the best provender; and every reasonable attention paid to all who may call

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REPUBLICAN ELOQUENCE.

SPECH OF THE HON. MR. HOLMES,
IN THE SENATE OF MASSACHUSETTS,
During the Debate on the reported Answer to the
Governor's Speech.

Mr. President.

W^HE^N, after eight days deep cogitation of the committee, an answer is produced, which, I apprehend, will remain a standing monument of the degradation of this once respectable State, the gentlemen of the majority must not deem it unreasonable, if I occupy some time in discussing its merits.—But in this I confess I despair of picking any impression on the majority of this board.—After having, during a war of eighteen months, taken their ground against their country and in favor of its enemy; after having condemned their own government, and justified the aggressions and atrocities of the enemy, in every particular, without a solitary exception; an attempt to dislodge them from his course, in this case be desperate. I might as well attempt to convert an atheist by Scripture; I might as well go into the church yard, rebuke the tombs, and expostulate with the sleeping ashes of the dead.—No, Sir, it is not them, whom I expect to convince or to edify; it is an apprehension, that silence may be deemed an acquiescence in the inflammatory proceedings; it is for the sake of my political friends, that I stand forth the advocate of my injured country.

I agree with Mr. Excellency, that the liberty of speech is important to a free people, and he who would restrain it, is a foe to republican freedom. It is a privilege which I highly prize, and which I shall take advantage of in this debate. True, it may be abused;—In bad times, bad men will endeavor to excite discontent. In the commencement of a war, slander and abuse are wonderfully successful. There was danger for while, that the outrages of party might drive the administration from office, or compel them to make an ignominious peace.—But truth prevails. Notwithstanding every attempt to throw a stumbling block in the way of the administration in the days of difficulty and distress, their popularity has increased, and the people are more united than at the commencement of the war.—You speak of the growing discontents of the people:—Where is your evidence? In the elections? In what elections? In N. York, the most commercial State in the Union? In N. Jersey, where every branch has been regenerated in a year? In Maryland, where you but just smuggled in your Governor? In Vermont, to be sure, you have a minority Governor for one year; and I trust, for one year only. But in the City of New York, at a late election, the American cause prevailed by a change that was truly astonishing.—And all this in time of war, against the incessant clamors and slanders of party, without any sedition act, or other act to screen the administration.

His Excellency informs us, that he has received fifteen hundred stand of arms from the Secretary at War; and you, in the answer, attribute this event to the efficacy of your famous Resolve of June last. To suppose that that antichristian, that complete specimen in the art of sinking, could produce any other effect in the mind of the Secretary at War, than ridicule, is to me absolutely incredible. It began with a preamble full of invectives, with "Whereas," followed by a string of accusations against the whole course of measures of the administration, and concluded with a "Therefore, Resolved;" That the Adjutant General be requested to write to Gen^l. Armstrong for the arms, &c." It was indeed a production which promised much, and promised nothing, and I will add, effected nothing. It is probable that General Armstrong, agreeably to his promise sent you the arms as soon as they were ready; but now tell sooner for your pitiful resolve.

But this war is unjust. Must we trample over this ground again?—This charge has been refuted more than a thousand times. But that makes no difference; they renew it, the vanquished, they can urge still. The right of Blockade, Orders in Council, and Impressment are brought up, and are justified with greater obstinacy than in the British Parliament.

I have said, and I repeat it, that the priority of the French Decrees could be no excuse for these Orders, if such had been the fact. What sin remains upon an innocent neutral, the aggressions

which your enemy has committed upon him obliged to fight against his native country? The priority of aggression until he gets three leagues from the coast, and the moment he crosses this imaginary line, he is absolved from his allegiance, and obliged to fight for his native against his adopted country. This consequence alone, is sufficient to make the proposition ridiculous. Put the law beyond question, that the blockade of the 16th of May, 1806, was far more injurious to American commerce, than the Berlin Decree of the 21st Nov. following. This extraordinary blockade, obstructed the commerce of nearly one thousand miles of sea coast, including many important commercial cities, and the mouths of several large and navigable rivers. But the advocates of Britain say she had a right to do all this. She had force enough to invest this whole extent; therefore it was legally blockaded, whether the force was applied or not.—So I suppose, gentlemen would contend that some other coast, equally extensive, was actually blockaded, because it might be; and in this way, Britain might blockade every port in the world at the same time. But the strongest advocates for retaliation have not pretended that it could be justified until after notice of the first aggression, and neglect or refusal to repel it. Upon what principle, then, was the Order of Council of 8th January, 1807, imposed? This was but forty seven days after the Berlin Decree, and before we could have had any notice of it; and yet Great Britain had a right, say they, to retaliate on us for an act which we could not prevent, and of which we did not know! It is vain to pretend, that this Order was not a retaliation of the Berlin Decree, because less rigorous in terms. It was contrary to the known law of nations, and Britain had the power to enforce it; but France had no power to enforce her Decree, and it could be considered an empty threat.

But it is suggested, that this war is for the protection of British seamen. This charge is without any foundation. We are contending for the protection of our seamen on board of our own ships. The law of nations admits not the subjects of one nation to enter on board ships of another, and take such as they shall judge their own. The case is simple, and capable of demonstration. The ocean is the common highway of nations. On it, each has a concurrent, but neither an exclusive jurisdiction. If, then, one nation has a right to take such as she shall judge her own subjects in this common jurisdiction, the other may retake the same subject, if she judges him to be her own. If this nation has a right to re-capture, she has, a fortiori, a right to resist the first taking—so that pursuing your principle, one nation retaining a citizen in a jurisdiction common to both, has a right to take him from another, while this other, if she claims him, has a right to resist. But though the jurisdiction is concurrent on the ocean, it is not so on board ship. Here the jurisdiction is exclusive. The municipal law prevails here. VATTEL says, that a person born on shipboard, is considered as the natural born subject of the nation to which the ship belonged, because within the exclusive jurisdiction of that nation. It is true that there are causes, in which a belligerent may enter on board for certain purposes, for instance, to search for contraband goods, and to prevent a violation of blockade. But these are exceptions, and go to prove the rule. It is manifest that these exceptions, especially that relative to contraband goods, are the effect of compact. They are part of the conventional law of nations. The natural law never defined what articles were contraband. These exceptions, so strictly defined, and carefully charged, prove, incontrovertibly, the general rule, that each nation has an exclusive jurisdiction on board its ships on the ocean. But to pretend that, because there is one exception, there is therefore another; that because the officers of one nation have a right to enter on board the ships of another, in search of contraband goods, and if they find any that are suspicious, they have a right to carry in the ship for trial, that therefore such officers have a right to enter on board and take such men as they shall judge their own, without trial, is, I confess, a course of reasoning which I do not fully understand. If this right exists, why do not gentlemen give us the proof of it?

They are wise and learned in the law of nations; where is the writer on national law, who had undertaken to establish the right of a nation to enter on board the ships of another, and to take such as she may deem her own, without submitting the question to an international tribunal? But gentlemen insist, that British subjects, who we have naturalised, are the subjects of contention; and they insist on the doctrine of perpetual allegiance; or at least, that a naturalized citizen has but a local protection. That is, inasmuch as allegiance and protection are reciprocal, and this protection does not extend beyond the territory or exclusive jurisdiction of the nation, so the allegiance is subject to the same limitation. As a consequence of this doctrine, a British subject, naturalized here, is

courts of the United States. Are they afraid to trust the Federal Judges? Do these gentlemen lack wisdom and integrity? Or is it this wisdom and integrity which they are afraid of? The other embargo was deemed by some unconstitutional, because it was unlimited; but it was decided otherwise in this state; and if I mistake not, the hon. member from Worcester argued in favor of its constitutionality. The objection to the embargo is, that it restricts the coasting trade, and gentlemen seem to insist that the right to regulate commerce among the several states, means between state and state. I will read you the opinion of Gen. Washington on this subject.—Here Mr. H. read a communication of President Washington to the Senate, 28th March, 1774, and insisted that it was in point.—But that clause in the constitution which authorises Congress to provide for the common defence and general welfare is amply sufficient. Who can doubt the importance of this measure to the common defence? We are starving ourselves to feed our enemies. They suffer exceedingly; and perhaps this is cause of more than half the clamor. Gentlemen feel compassionate towards the District of Maine. The people, to be sure, suffer privations; and they are willing to endure them; but they are not starving nor severely distressed; and very few of them would thank us for our coddling.

The Embargo was a measure called for by both parties; and the people had rather bear it, hard as it is, than that their enemy should be fed. But gentlemen threaten Legislative interference: are they prepared for this? They mean surely, by a state law, to repeal the embargo, and enforce the repeal against the officers of the general government. This is coming out. If they are in earnest, I like this. You have talked long enough. We begin to doubt your nerve. Your rich men have probably made up their minds, as well as those of desperate fortunes. They probably understand the meaning of the word revolution. They have probably thought where they shall be when the wheel stops. But gentlemen magnify the ill success and disgrace of this war. This was expected. It seems to be a subject of exultation. I too regret, as much as any man, the disasters of our arms. But it was not entirely unexpected. We had been thirty years at peace; the art of war was of course neglected; our revolutionary heroes have, one after another, passed off the stage of action. In a free country you must begin hostilities without preparation. If you prepare, the people will know for what; and if so, you tell your enemy, and his preparation will be correspondent. If so, you may as well be at war at once. We had to encounter the prejudices of a people inclined to peace; and to resist a desperate faction who were advocating the enemy and throwing every obstacle in the way of the government. We had to raise troops and obtain money. These obstacles are overcome. And have we met with nothing but disgrace and defeat? Were the defence of Fort Meigs, Fort Stevenson, Sacket's Harbor and Craney Island, disgraceful? Are our unparalleled triumphs on the ocean disgraceful? Was the success on Lake Ontario, and the complete and signal victory on Erie, when, with an inferior force we captured in fair battle a whole fleet, disgraceful? Give me such disgraces as these, and you are welcome to all the laurels which thicken round the brow of the mighty Cockburn!

The speech and reported answer speak of debts and taxes. We were once told that a national debt was a national blessing. I never believed it. In war we must have debts and in peace we must pay them—taxes sufficient to pay the interest, is all a people at war ought to endure; and this is all we shall be obliged to endure. But his excellency intimates, that the debt will continue as long as the union of the states. Was this intended as a hint to the people, that to avoid the debt, they must divide the states? I don't apprehend that the people of the Commonwealth are yet ready to pay their debts this way. Our government, it is said, discover no disposition to peace; and that they have taken no measures to put an end to the war. These are groundless assertions. We offered to remove the former Embargo, as to England, if she would remove her edicts. We accepted of Erskine's proposition. We declared war on account of Impressionment, and offered the exclusion of British seamen from our employ, if Britain would abandon Impressionment. A similar offer was made by Mr. Monroe to Admiral Warren. We passed a law excluding British seamen from our employ. We adopted the proffered mediation of the Emperor of Russia, and sent ministers to Petersburg for the purpose of treating; and this too, while Russia was at war with France, and high law for England. In this situation, at a time when the efforts of France were most powerful, and it was expected that Austria would join

her, Mr. Madison being under French influence, a tool of Bonaparte, agreed to submit the dispute to the investigation of the ally of England and the most powerful enemy of France. And when Britain refused this reasonable proposition, and proposed to treat separately, we agreed, and ministers have been appointed. But his excellency has discovered evidence of French influence, in the proposition of Bonaparte, that America should treat for a General Peace with the allies of France. Has his excellency forgotten when Lord Castlereagh claimed his party by the name of "our friends in Congress?" What can influence this government and people in favor of France? Is it passion, prejudice or interest, that creates a partiality of one nation for another. We have no French language, laws, constitutions, manners, nor customs.—We have no French merchants, agents or spies, among us. Can Governor Strong and his friends boast of minds as free from British attachments? Have they no prejudices, either civil or religious, that draw them towards the world's last hope? Sir, it is in vain to disguise to the opposers of the government are under a very fatal British influence. I do not mean by this, that they are sold to Britain, or that they would dare openly to aid her. I mean to say, that they have attachments and partialities for Britain that are extremely dangerous to the liberties of their country. England is our mother country, by the nation from whom we descended.—The limbs of our ancestors are there. Every man has a strong attachment to the land where are deposited the ashes of his fathers. We speak the same language. It has been said by some one that was the policy of France to make her language the court language of Europe, that she might the better maintain her influence at these courts.

What then must be the power of Britain over us, who not only gives a language to the court, but to the people? The Advaltaige is infinite. We are inundated with her books, laws, politics & divinity, are literally imported. The student at law reads English history, politics and law, eulogized by English writers, and leaves off admiring their constitution, and probably wishing that ours resembled them more. The divine teachers of English sermons, and sometimes preaches them, in which the writer takes care to boast of the rights of Englishmen; and in this way, England is believed not only the bulwark of our policy, but of our religion. This is not so; British merchants, agents, and perhaps spies, speaking the same language, can deal and negotiate with wonderful facility.

And add to this, sir, the privilege granted by the treaty of 1794, to refugees, to return with their love of royalty and hatred of republicanism, and to recover and hold lands, as citizens, and you have some of the streams of British influence, streams which I apprehend are converging to a torrent, which may one day sweep away the liberties of our country. But why do I pursue the course to prove the existence of British influence, when there is a party in this country who go step by step with the British Ministry, who justify every aggression and whose maxim is that Britain can do no wrong? when our Governors and Legislatures are withholding their aid, discouraging the people, and throwing every obstacle in the way, both of prosecuting the war and obtaining an honorable peace? Look at all this, and if you are not convinced of British influence, you would not be persuaded should one rise from the dead.

Suppose we were at war with France, and a party should justify every act of France, and condemn every act of your own government; would you not have reason to say, that party were under French influence? If in the progress of the war, one of your naval heroes should capture and destroy a French ship of equal forces, and we should spread a report on the journals of this Senate, that it was against our morals and religion to rejoice at the event or to thank the hero, would it be uncandid to say, that the hand of Napoleon was in this thing? If some reverend clergymen should denounce the President as a Nero, exulting at the conflagration of Rome, because he had recommended a resistance of French aggression, should we not have some reason to suspect that this holy man was a little biased in favor of France? I might proceed, but I sicken at the prospect. Gather all the public acts of the Legislature of the Province, from the charter of William and Mary, down to the New revolution, and I doubt whether you will find so much unequivocal unalloyed loyalty to the British government, as has been exhibited by the public documents of the Commonwealth since the war.

Well may you complain that the people are emigrating. It is not the sterility of the soil—for this with industry, the handmaid of virtue, is comfortably productive. It is not the vigor of the climate—for this contributes to health, and health to happiness. It is the pestilential atmosphere of British influence, from which they flee. You see on all sides a want of American feeling, and a total dereliction of revolutionary principles.

Where are the monuments of your revolutionary glory? What have you done with that sanctuary where a WALTER and ADAMS, and a HAWKINS, preached the immortal principles of freedom? It is now used, I suppose, for the purpose of vilifying the government, enraging G. Britain and inciting her agents for insuring the sovereignty of the American people. Where is Beacon Hill? The monument is thrown down, the hill itself swept into the dock, and the tables of stone, on which were written the achievements of the revolution, are hidden behind the back stairs of the Statehouse. Why do you hang by your walls the trophies of your victories? They serve but to rebuke us. They are monuments of glory that is departed. Like the memory of joys that are past, pleasant and painful to the soul.

I apprehend that your party has arrived at a crisis, in which it is equally dangerous to advance or retreat. The Union, I believe, is in no danger from your intemperate proceedings. But they may prove fatal to yourselves. Man may be compared to a ship. Reason is the helm; passions are the sails; good and bad fortunes are the winds; and hope is the anchor. Thus man commences his voyage across the sea of time. With his reason, his passions and his hopes, under proper regulations, he can stem the storms and tempests which beset him in his course, and will at last arrive at his haven in peace, in safety and in triumph. But his helm of reason lost, under the control of blindfold prejudice or passion, he is driven on rocks, shoals and quick sands, and meets with inevitable shipwreck. Take care that this be not the shipwreck of your party.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS.

Message from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter from the Secretary of War, accompanied with sundry documents; in pursuance of a resolution of the 31st of December last requesting such information as may tend to explain the causes of the failure of arms of the United States on the northern frontier.

To the House of Representatives of the U. S. State.

I transmit to the house of representatives a report of the secretary of war, complying with their resolution of the 31st of December last.

JAMES MADISON.

Jan. 31st, 1814.

REPORT.

War Department, Jan. 25, 1814.

SIR—In compliance with a resolution of the house of representatives of the 31st of December last, requesting such information (not improper to be communicated) as may tend to explain the causes of the failure of the arms of the United States, on the northern frontier, I have the honor to submit the following documents, and to offer to you, sir, the assurance of the very high respect with which I am your obedient and very humble servant,

JOHN ARMSTRONG.

The President,

Correspondence between the Secretary of War and Major General Dearborn, &c.

Note presented to the cabinet on the 8th Feb. 1813, by the Secretary of War.

The enemy's force at Montreal and its dependencies has been stated at 16,000 effectives. It more probably does not exceed 10 or 12,000. The militia part of it may amount to one sixth of the whole. Is it probable that we shall be able to open the campaign on Lake Champlain without a force competent to meet and dislodge this army before the 15th of May? I put the question on this date, because it is not to be doubted but that the enemy will then be reinforced, and, of course, that new relations in point of strength will be established between us. Our present regular force on both sides of Lake Champlain does not exceed two thousand four hundred men. The addition made to it must necessarily consist of recruits, who for a time, will not be better than militia; and when we consider that the recruiting service is but beginning, and that we have not yet approached the middle of February, the conclusion is, I think, safe, that we cannot move in this direction and thus capture (say 1st of May,) with effect.

It then remains to choose between a course of entire inaction, because incompetent to the main attack, or one having secondary but still an important object; such would be the reduction of that part of Upper Canada lying between the towns of Prescott, on the St. Lawrence and Lake Erie, including the towns of Kingston and York, and the forts George and Erie. On this line of frontier the enemy have:

At Prescott, 300
At Kingston, 600
At George and Erie, &c. 1,200

Making a total (of regular troops) of 2,100

Kingston and Prescott and the destruction of the British ships at the former, would present the first object; York and the frigates said to be building there, the second; George and Erie the third.

The force to be employed on this service should not be less than 6000 effective regular troops, because in this first enterprise of a second campaign nothing must be left to chance.

The time for giving execution to this plan is clearly indicated by the following facts:

1st. The river St. Lawrence is not open to the purpose of navigation before the 15th of May; and

2d. Lake Ontario is free from all obstruction arising from the ice by the first day of April.

Under these circumstances we shall have six weeks for the expedition before it be possible for Sir George Prevost to give it any disturbance.

Should this outline be approved, the details for the service can be made and expedited in forty eight hours.

Extract of a letter from the Secretary of War to Major General Dearborn, dated

War Department, Feb. 10, 1813.

"I have the President's order to communicate to you, as expeditiously as possible, the outline of the campaign which you will immediately institute and pursue against Upper Canada:

"1st, 4,000 troops will be assembled at Sackett's Harbor.

"2d, 3,000 will be brought together at Buffalo and its vicinity.

"3d. The former of these corps will be embarked and transported under convoy of the fleet to Kingston, where they will be landed. Kingston, its garrison, and the British ships wintering in the harbor of that place, will be its first object. Its second object will be York, (the capital of Upper Canada,) the stores collected and the two frigates building there. Its third object, Fort George and Erie, and their dependencies. In the attainment of this last, there will be a co-operation between the two corps. The composition of these will be as follows:

1st. Bloomfield's brigade,	1,453
2d. Chandler's do.	1,944
3d. Philadelphia detachment,	400
4th. Baltimore, do.	300
5th. Carlisle, do.	200
6th. Greenbush, do.	400
7th. Sackett's Harbor, do.	250

4,900

8th. Several corps at Buffalo under the command of Colonel Porter, and the recruits belonging thereto,

3,000

Total, 7,900

"The time for executing the enterprise will be governed by the opening of Lake Ontario, which usually takes place about the 1st of April.

The adjutant general has orders to put the more southern detachments in March as expeditiously as possible. The two brigades on Lake Champlain you will move so as to give them full time to reach their place of destination by the 23rd of March. The route by Elizabethtown, I think, will be the shortest and best.—They will be replaced by some new recruited regiments from the east.

You will put into your movements as much prudence as may be compatible with their execution. They may be masked by reports that Sackett's Harbor is in danger, and that the principal effort will be made on the Niagara in co-operation with G. M. Garrison. As the route to Sackett's Harbor and to Niagara is for a considerable distance the same, it may be well to intimate, even in orders, that the latter is the destination of the two brigades now at Lake Champlain."

With regard to our magazines, my belief is, that we have nothing to fear; because, as stated above, Prevost's attention must be given to the western posts and to our movements against them.

He will not dare to advance so far as to reach the place of destination by the 23rd of March. The route by Elizabethtown, I think, will be the shortest and best.—They will be replaced by some new recruited regiments from the east.

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With great respect,

Dar. General,

I am yours faithfully,

JOHN ARMSTRONG.

Cen. Dearborn,

Albany, Feb. 13, 1813.

SIR,

Your despatches of the 10th were received last evening.—Nothing shall be omitted on my part in endeavoring to carry into effect the expedition proposed.

For the very magazines of provisions on Lake Champlain will be unsafe unless a considerable part is removed at some distance from the shore, or a considerable force is assembled at Plattsburgh, and vicinity by the time the two brigades shall move. Another motive for having a large force on that lake, will be, that of preventing the enemy from sending almost his whole force from Lower Canada to Kingston, as soon as our intentions shall be so far known as to afford satisfactory evidence of our intentions in relation to the conquest of Upper Canada; and unless an imposing force shall menace Lower Canada, the enemy's whole force may be concentrated in Upper Canada, and require a large force to operate against them as would be necessary to operate towards Montreal. It may be advisable to draw out a body of New Hampshire militia to serve for a short time, in Vermont. You will judge of the expediency of such a measure; but I do not believe that there will be a sufficient body of new raised troops in season for taking the place of the two brigades.

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Hon. John Armstrong,

Secretary of War.

War Department, Feb. 21, 1813.

SIR,

Before I left New York, and till very recently since my arrival here, I was informed, through various channels, that a winter or spring attack upon Kingston was not practicable, on account of the snow, which generally lies to the depth of two, and sometimes of three feet, or even all that northern country during

seasons. Hence it is, that in the plan recently communicated, it was thought safest and best to make the attack by a combination of naval and military means, and to approach our object, not by directly crossing the St. Lawrence on the ice, but by sailing out for Sackett's Harbor, in concert with, and under convoy of the fleet. Later incorporation differs from that on which this plan was founded, and the fortunate issue of Maj. Forsyth's last expedition shews, that small enterprises at least, may be successfully executed at the present season. The advices given in your letter of the instant, have a bearing also on the same point and to the same effect. If the enemy be really weak at Kingston and approachable by land and ice, Pike, who will be a brigadier, in a day or two, may be put into motion from Lake Champlain; by the Chateauguay route, (in sleighs) and with the two brigades, cross the St. Lawrence where it may be thought best, destroy the armed ships, and seize and hold Kingston until you can join him with the other corps destined for the future object of the expedition; and if pressed, he may withdraw himself to Sackett's Harbor, or other place of security on our side of the line. This would be much the shorter road to the object, and perhaps the safer one, as the St. Lawrence is now everywhere well bridged, and offers no obstruction to either attack or retreat. Such a movement will, no doubt, be soon known to Prevost, and cannot but disquiet him. The dilemma it presents, will be serious. Either he must give up his western posts, or to save them he must carry himself in force, and promptly to Upper Canada.

In the latter case he will be embarrassed for subsistence. His convoys of provision will be open to our attacks, on a line of nearly 100 miles, and his position at Montreal must be weakened. Another decided advantage will be, to let us into the secret of his real strength.

If he be able to make heavy detachments to cover, or to recover Kingston, and to protect his supplies, and after all maintain himself at Montreal, and on Lake Champlain, he is stronger than I imagined, or, an any well authenticated report make him to be.

With regard to our magazines, my belief is, that we have nothing to fear; because, as stated above, Prevost's attention must be given to the western posts and to our movements against them.

He will not dare to advance so far as to reach the place of destination by the 23rd of March. The route by Elizabethtown will, I think, be the shortest and best.—They will be replaced by some new recruited regiments from the east.

You will put into your movements as much prudence as may be compatible with their execution. They may be masked by reports that Sackett's Harbor is in danger, and that the principal effort will be made on the Niagara in co-operation with G. M. Garrison. As the route to Sackett's Harbor and to Niagara is for a considerable distance the same, it may be well to intimate, even in orders, that the latter is the destination of the two brigades now at Lake Champlain."

With great respect,

Dar. General,

I am yours faithfully,

JOHN ARMSTRONG.

Cen. Dearborn,

Albany, Feb. 13, 1813.

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War Department, Feb. 21, 1813.

SIR,

I this day received by express from Col. Macomb, the enclosed account from Major Forsyth. His known zeal for a small partisan warfare, has induced me to give him repeated caution against such measures, on his part, as would produce such retaliating strokes as he would be unable to resist; but I fear my advice has not been as fully attended to as could have been wished. He is an excellent officer, and under suitable circumstances would be of important service.

I have requested the Governor to order General Brown out with 3 or 400 of such militia as he can soonest assemble, to join Forsyth; and I have ordered Col. Pike, with 400 of his command, to proceed in sleighs what is considered the shortest and best route, to the neighborhood of Ogdensburg, or to Sackett's Harbor. On his arrival at Potsdam, or Cauton or Russell, he will be able to communicate with Brown or Forsyth, or both, and act with them, as circumstances may require.

The affair at Ogdensburg will be a fair excuse for moving troops in that direction; and by this movement it will be ascertained whether the same route will be the best in future; the distance by that route from Plattsburgh to Sackett's Harbor, is but little more than one half of what it would be by the route proposed; and I am assured by a gentleman, in whom I can confide, that there will be no difficulty by that route.

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[TO BE CONTINUED.]

LATEST FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 1.

On Sunday evening last arrived in Boston harbour, the ship Ann Alexander Kempton, of 41 days from Liverpool. We have been favored with London papers to the 27th of December, a month later than previous advices. The most important article of news is the offer of preliminaries for a GENERAL PEACE, by the Allied Powers, and its acceptance by Bonaparte.

From the complexion of the English papers it appears that this offer was made and accepted without the intervention or knowledge of Britain; and this is doubtless, the cause of the sudden departure of Lord Castlereagh for the Continent. The Prince of Orange and his son had arrived in Holland, and were cordially received by the inhabitants.

OFFICIAL DECLARATION OF THE ALLIED POWERS.

and Williams, the King's Messengers, were ordered to be in readiness to attend the Noble Viscount.

We have just heard that Lord Castlereagh is on the eve of his departure for Frankfort, as Plenipotentiary from Great Britain to act for Peace.

FROM THE BOSTON CHRONICLE.

The most important article of news by the Ann Alexander, is the *Declaration of the Allied Powers*. By it we see that the Allies are willing to acknowledge Napoleon as Emperor of France; that they consent to confirm to France all the means of being a great nation; that they are willing to leave her a greater extent of territory than she ever had under her King; that they wish to see her commerce revive, and that they have no wish to do any thing which shall be humiliating to her—while they are resolved themselves to be independent & secure; in fact, that they are really desirous of an honorable peace.

This State Paper, however, has excited great rage in the war tribe of British editors; no doubt because it expresses a wish to see the commerce, &c course, the navy of France revive.

The point of Bonaparte's speech, as it relates to Britain, consists in this—that the French nation can meet every demand with *hard money* instead of paper.

The Froch's papers give reports of great advantages obtained by Sout over Wellington, near Bayonne.

Parliament was adjourned on the 20th of December to the first of March. Mr. Whiblead, in his remarks on the adjournment, said—"He was certainly as anxious as any one to enforce generally the vigilance of Parliament; but, trusting as he had done to the moderate declarations of government at the commencement of the session—and with that perfect confidence which he had at that period placed in his Majesty's ministers, increased, as it now was, by hearing it declared by the noble Lord, (Castlereagh) that this government was a party to a glorious Manifesto published from Frankfort on the first of December, he was now inclined to give them his fullest confidence, but in doing so, he reserved to himself a full right of strictly examining their conduct when Parliament should meet again. Looking to the progress of the events on the Continent, he trusted they would eventually lead to peace; if, however, our further exertions were necessary, still adhering to the principle upon which we were at present acting—that was the attainment of a fair and honorable peace—he was persuaded every one would be ready to make further exertions."

SUMMARY REFLECTIONS ON THE LATE NEWS.

The Boston exchange on Sunday and Monday last, exhibited a scene highly diverting to those spectators, who frequently amuse themselves with the ridiculous exultation of the federalists on any news which is supposed to be beneficial to their British friends. The display of congratulations was more universally extended than usual, & every circle from the *suspenseful Abolition* to the more stern phizies of Laco and his satellites, gave the strongest evidences of their pleasing anticipations on the fall of France, and the rising glory of England. The secret was however confined to a few choice spirits, who were sworn not to divulge the important intelligence, till certain commercial speculations could be effected. But enough was let out to keep up the spirits of the small fry, who on all occasions are ready to hear predictions of the discomfiture of Bonaparte and his warlike legions. At length the great secret revealed! The mountain produced the labors of its womb! The birth however was abortive to the hopes and expectations of the numerous gossips who attended the delivery.

In all, the official communications on this subject, the negociation appears to be principally without any intermediate agency from England. It is true, there appears in the debate in Parliament a *stern remark*, that England is a party to this convention. This might have arisen from a declaration of Lord Castlereagh, as he might find himself awkwardly circumstanced unless he could make some such statement to pacify his opponents; but it was evident from all the official proceedings on the Continent that England is not considered as having any exclusive control in the business. And though Castlereagh may have effected it, merely to stem the torrent of public indignation, yet every document from the Allied Powers is directly opposed to his declaration.

Instead, therefore, of England standing in the commanding attitude of directing the future destinies of the contending powers, she appears to be placed in the derogatory station of an auxiliary. It seems as if she was totally unnoticed, either as being unworthy the honor of a participation in the benefit contemplated by a mutual negotiation, or that she had become too abhorrent by her frequent intrigues during such transactions, to be admitted into the councils of the other European nations. A treaty is suddenly proposed by the contending powers, and of a nature so unexpected and alarming in its consequences, that the Prime Minister of England is reduced to the degrading situation of quitting his own court, and presenting himself amid the delegates composed of his former allies.

We will venture to say, that the British nation never stood in a more mortified state than in this particular case. Her allies, who have been receiving vast sums for subsidies—she had been consider-

ed as subservient to all the projects of the British ministry, whose victories had been announced in England by illuminations and the discharge of the lower guns; yet amidst these innumerable evidences of sincere friendship and national adherence, the powers at war appear to have considered her but of little weight in the negotiation. They even propose to negotiate with the ONLY MAN whom England dreads, without any appearance of the Empress, on Sunday last, granted audience of Messrs. Adams, Gallatin and Bayard, in the quality of Envys Extraordinary and Ministers' Plenipotentiaries from the United States of America. This mission extraordinary, has caused universal satisfaction here. It is wished, that it may be completely successful, and that the re-establishment of Peace between his Britannic Majesty and the Republic of the United States, may free the navigation and commerce of our Empire, from the only restraint which it can experience since the renewal of the ties of the strictest friendship with England. This striking proof of friendship and confidence which the Republic of the United States have given to the Emperor, and the distinguished choice which it has made of its Plenipotentiaries, are much applauded.

"LONDON, Dec. 27. Mr. Dallas, Secretary to the Legation of Messrs. Gallatin and Bayard, to the Court of Russia, is arrived. It is supposed the object of his mission is to obtain from this government, a distinct exposition of the terms on which the Court of London will accede to a peace with the U. States.

THE REPUBLICAN STAR, AND GENERAL ADVERTISER.

EASTON:

TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 22, 1814.

The intelligence from Europe by the Ann Alexander, is of the first importance. It appears by the OFFICIAL DECLARATION OF THE ALLIED POWERS, issued at Frankfort, Dec. 1, which we this day publish, that these powers have at length awakened to a sense of their own importance, and are determined to preserve the balance of Europe. While they have wisdom to continue *amicitia*, they can undoubtedly prescribe limits to the ambition of both England and France. This is a consummation most devoutly to be wished. It is not right that the whole world should be either French or English. Russia, Austria, Prussia, Spain, and other respectable powers, have rights equally important and well founded, as those of France or England. Holland, Portugal, Ireland, India, &c. ought to become free. It is evident that this pacific overture of the allies and its acceptance by Bonaparte, are very unpleasant and execrable to the British. This will be seen by recurring to the *Loudon Courier*, the leading paper of the British cabinet.

We should not be surprised, were it eventually to appear that AMERICA had had some influence in producing the present state of things in Europe. We know that the utmost cordiality has always existed between the American government and the Emperor ALEXANDER. We have every reason to believe that the Emperor has frequently corresponded with the late President JEFFERSON, and probably with Mr. MADISON. The residence at the Court of St. Petersburg of the Hon. JOHN Q. ADAMS, our Minister Plenipotentiary, who may be viewed in the light of a constituent part of the government itself, and whose ability and zeal in the cause of his injured country no one can doubt, strengthens our belief. These able statesmen have probably laid before the Emperor, the nature of those maritime neutral rights for which we contend. They have doubtless discussed the subject of the arbitrary, unjust and tyrannical pretensions of England by sea, and France by land, and the result may have been, the present combination of the allies, for the important and holy object of securing to themselves and the other powers of the world, their sovereignty, rights and independence.—Should this really be the case, they will have the prayers of every good man throughout the universe, for the prosperity and full success of their truly great and glorious cause.

When we reflect on the documents from Russia lately laid before Congress; when we find the noble-hearted Emperor taking so lively an interest in our concerns; declaring that lie is "convinced we have done every thing in our power to preserve peace," and throwing the blame where it belongs, upon England, although in her cause he has been risking his life, and that of his people, in the field of battle; when the friendly mediation which he offered is laughingly and insultingly rejected by Britain; when we reflect on these things, we cannot but hope that our present surmises will finally prove delightful realities, and that the whole world, exclusive of England and France are about to enter into a grand and stupendous coalition, to curb the tyrannical pretensions of these rival nations, and to secure to the different powers of the earth, their sovereignty and independence. [Bost. Pat.]

BOSTON, FEB. 12.
NEWS FROM COMMODORE ROGERS.

On Tuesday evening passed this harbor for Bristol, the Swedish brig Pelee, 19 days from St. Barts, Capt. Ratbone, of this town, who came passenger in the Pelee, informs us that he saw a Barbadoes paper, which stated that Com. Rogers had captured (60 miles to the windward of that Island) ten sail of the London fleet, all of which he burnt, except one, which he gave up to the prisoners, after taking out the most valuable parts of their cargoes.

The Barbadoes paper contained the number—and further states, that previous to Commodore Rogers's capturing those vessels, he fell in with a ship which had been captured, with a number of others, by a French frigate. Commodore Rogers threatened to send them to the U. States to retaliate for the conduct of the British government relative to the cartel which he sent into England on his former cruise; they were, however, permitted to proceed.

Only about 30 sail out of nearly 200, which had sailed under convoy from London had arrived at Barbadoes; and it was apprehended 50 or 60 had been captured or lost in the gale which dispersed the fleet. It was conjectured at Barbadoes, that Com. Rogers had gone in pursuit of the Cork fleet of sixty sail, under convoy of two sloops of war; accordingly three frigates had been despatched in pursuit of him.

AMERICAN ENVOYS.

The British prints were so occupied on the great events which were continually succeeding each other in Europe, that very little notice was taken of American affairs. We find it, however, reported in one of them, that Lord Walpole was sent a second time to St. Petersburg, to assist the Emperor Alexander, that Great Britain could not accept

any mediation in the negotiation of her maritime rights. We also find the following articles:

St. Petersburg Oct. 19.—Herr Majesty the Empress, on Sunday last, granted audience of Messrs. Adams, Gallatin and Bayard, in the quality of Envys Extraordinary and Ministers' Plenipotentiaries from the United States of America. This mission extraordinary, has caused universal satisfaction here. It is wished, that it may be completely successful, and that the re-establishment of Peace between his Britannic Majesty and the Republic of the United States, may free the navigation and commerce of our Empire, from the only restraint which it can experience since the renewal of the ties of the strictest friendship with England. This striking proof of friendship and confidence which the Republic of the United States have given to the Emperor, and the distinguished choice which it has made of its Plenipotentiaries, are much applauded.

Columbian.

It was reported in this city, this morning, that our Commissioners had agreed on the outlines of a treaty with Lord Walpole, wherein it is stipulated, that seven years be allowed to settle the question of impressment and citizenship.

N. Y. Gazette, Feb. 16.

GOTTENBURG MISSION.

Mr. CLAY has been in town several days, and it is said the corvette John Adams will not sail until next Sunday, perhaps not then. We understand Mr. Clay is to wait here for further instructions, which are preparing for him at Washington. Some think his is to carry out an arranged armistice, concluded between our government and Gov. Prevost.

Ibid.

Norfolk, Jan. 12.

The United States' frigate Constellation, Capt. Gordon, went down on Thursday last to Hampton Roads, with an intention to proceed to sea, but the wind falling very light, she returned yesterday to Craney Island, where she is now anchored.

Plattsburg, Feb. 6.

Yesterday several loads of cannon and cannon ball arrived here from French Mills, and to day a great many more are expected here. It is generally understood that part of the army at French Mills is going to Sackett's Harbour, and the other part is coming here.

ANNATON, Feb. 19.

A fair expression of honest indignation, in the *cause of the Annats Election*.

THE CAUSE OF THE REPUBLIC TRIUMPHANT—
THE PEOPLE MAINTAINING THEIR OWN RIGHTS.

Feb. 22, 1814.

WILLIAM WHITELEY,
WILLIAM HUGHLETT,
GEORGE REED,
HENRY DRIVER,
SOLON BROWN,
FREDERICK HOLBROOK,
WILLIS CHARLES,
JAMES HOPSTOR,
JAMES G. SEETH,
Denton, Caroline county,

Feb. 22, 1814.

EASTON AND BALTIMORE PACKET.

SCHOONER SUPERIOR,
E. AULD, Master,

Will commence running as usual from Easton Point to Baltimore, TO MORROW MORNING, at 10 o'clock, A. M. (and at the same hour every Wednesday morning, during the season.)—Returning, leave Baltimore every SATURDAY at the same hour. For freight or passage, apply as heretofore.

Feb. 22.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THIS is to give notice, That the subscriber, of Talbot county, in Md. hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Talbot county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of William Seymour, late of Talbot county, aforesaid, deceased—All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the first day of September next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

The above notice is given under an order of the Orphans' Court aforesaid. Given under my hand this 17th day of February, 1814.

JOHN GOLDSBOROUGH, Adm'r

of William Seymour,

Feb. 22. 6

TALBOT COUNTY ORPHANS' COURT,

15th day of February, A. D. 1814.

ON application of JAMES CAIN, administrator of Elijah Spence, late of Talbot county, deceased—it is ordered that he give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased's estate; and that the same be published once in each week for the space of three successive weeks, in one of the newspapers at Easton.

In testimony that the above is truly copied from the minutes of proceedings of the Orphans' Court of the county aforesaid, I have hereunto set my hand, and the seal of my office affixed, this 16th day of February, anno Domini, 1814.

Test—

J. PRICE, Reg'r of Wills for Talbot county,

In compliance with the above order,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

THAT the subscriber, of Talbot county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Talbot county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of Elijah Spence, late of Talbot county, deceased—All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the first day of September next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Persons indebted to the estate of said deceased, are required to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 22d day of February, eighteen hundred and fourteen.

JAMES CAIN, Adm'r of Elijah Spence, dec'd.

Feb. 22. 3

MARYLAND:

KENT COUNTY ORPHANS' COURT,

February 11, 1814.

ORDERED, That RICHARD BACIE, administrator of Joseph Brice, deceased, cause to be inserted for three successive weeks, in the *Star* published in Easton, a notice according to law, for said dec'd's creditors to produce their claims.

Test—

RICHARD BACIE, Reg'r.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE,

THAT the subscriber, of Kent county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Kent county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of Joseph Brice, late of Kent county, deceased—All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the fifteenth day of September next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate.

No further seek his merits to disclose,

Or draw his frailties from their dead shade,

There they elide in trembling hope repose,

The bosom of his Father and his God."

Yesterday, Mr. THOMAS KERSEY, of this town.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE,

THAT the subscriber, of Dorchester county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of the said county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of Eliza Medford, late of said county, deceased—All persons having claims against said estate, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the first day of September next—they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 19th day of February, eighteen hundred and fourteen.

RICHARD BACIE, Adm'r.

Feb. 22. 3

MAP OF LOWER CANADA,

Just received, and for sale at this Office,

A NEW AND CORRECT

MAP OF LOWER CANADA,

Compiled from Holland's large Map of that Province, published from actual survey, made by order of the British government.—Laid down on a scale of seven miles to an inch, with all the recent revisions, corrections and improvements.—By A. L. Lay of N. York.

Also,

PART II. OF VOL. IV.

EDENBURG ENCYCLOPEDIA.

Just received.

For Subscribers are requested to call for the copies.

Feb. 22. 3

PETER MEDFORD.

Feb. 22. 3

