

FROM THE NORWICH PACKET.

MR. TRUMBULL, THE PROMPTER, is an entire stranger to me; I know not who he is, nor where he lives, but I would willingly travel twenty miles to see, and shake hands with him:—He wrote excellently on the subject of *borrowing*:—His observations were well calculated to work a reformation in the ugly customs of the people; but, I lament it, my neighbors are no more moved by his writings, than the wicked men of Sodom were by the hearty expostulations of righteous Lot. I do not recollect that Mr. Prompter said any thing about *lending*; but you know, that in weighing any article or commodity in the scales, if one end of the beam goes down the other end must of course go up: So, where there is one borrower, there certainly is one lender.—The scale-beam has but two ends, and one end is always actuated by one end: But there may be ten borrowers, and but one lender; in that case it is hard, sure enough, on the side of the lender. Suppose here is four, five or six families, who think it best and cheapest for them to borrow; and here is one who is well furnished with a compleat set of tools, agreeable to my friend Prompter's advice; will not the patience and all the tools of this one, soon be worn out? must he pace up and down all the morning to get his tools and hand them out to his neighbors, and be disturbed again at night to receive them in? Stop! no—he is not much troubled about receiving them in at night; his neighbor keeps the tool till the next day, and the next day; and on the 4th or 5th day, the obliging lender is under a necessity of using his shovel; where is it Tom? "I done know Sir seem to me some body borrow um tudderday." Tom is sent a hunting round the neighbourhood—the thing is found—the handle is broke—well Tom, this is the way we get rich; go, you must carry it to the wood-worker, and get a new handle made to it Tom. "Yese massa, dis no berry good wa to get rich tho; me hope massa nebbber lend um shubble gin, cussen nabel plage Tom sole out, alwa borrow shubble en ho, en ax, en rake and dibble do no what all." Tom Tom, you must not swear so, if they do plague your soul out.

Now I say Mr. Trumbull, I wish you would be so obliging as to convey my compliments to Mr. Prompter, and tell him I wish he would write once more on the subject, hotter than ever, and oblige yours,  
TOM'S MASTER.

GEORGETOWN, (S. C.) April 30. This morning the President of the United States and his suite arrived here, on his tour through the Southern States—He was rowed over the river by seven Captains of vessels, dressed in round hats trimmed with gold lace, blue coats, white jackets, &c. in an elegant painted boat.—On his arriving opposite the market he was saluted by the artillery, with fifteen guns, from the foot of Broad-street:—and on his landing he was received by the light infantry company with presented arms who immediately after he passed, fired thirteen rounds; after which the committee appointed to receive and address him, conducted him to an elegant house prepared by the inhabitants for his reception. At two o'clock he received the congratulatory address of the inhabitants, and immediately after that of his Masonic brethren—at four, he honored the citizens with his company at a public dinner, at which the following were the principal toasts:

1. The United States of America.
2. The Grand Council of the Union.
3. The King of France our great and good ally.
4. The National Assembly of France.
5. The memory of Major General Greene.
6. The memory of M. G. Baron de Kalb.
7. The other brave officers and soldiers who fell in the war.
8. The Vice-President of the United States, may the esteem and gratitude of his country be equal to those important services which he has, and continues to render her.
9. Our ministers in foreign countries.
10. The Federal Government.
11. The State of South-Carolina.
12. The Marquis de la Fayette.
13. May the nations of the earth enjoy an equal happiness with us in having rulers equally sedulous to make themselves acquainted with the true interests and situations of the people.
14. The Governors and Legislatures of the respective States.

The President then retired, and the following toast was given.

Our ILLUSTRIOUS PRESIDENT, may calmness, peace and felicity, bless the evening of his life, as his youth and middle age have been glorious by the most exalted achievements of military renown.

The evening closed with a tea party and ball, which the President honored with his company, and the next morning sat off for Charleston.

CHARLESTON, May 3.

Yesterday the President of the United States arrived in this city, accompanied by major Jackson.

At Georgetown he was met by major general Moultrie and Col. Washington, and at Haddril's Point by Brigadier General Pinckney, Major Edward Rutledge, and the Recorder of this city; from whence he was rowed across the river in an elegant barge by thirteen masters of American vessels, viz. Captains Cochran, Cross, Moore, Milligan, Kean, Rea, Laurence, Drinker, Swain, Conyers, Dickinson, Crowley and Connolly, who were uniformly and neatly dressed in light blue silk jackets, and round black hats decorated with blue ribbons on which were impressed the arms of this State. During the passage vocal and instrumental music were performed on the water by the Amateur Society, assisted by a voluntary association of singers; and upwards of forty boats attended with anxious spectators, which formed a most beautiful appearance.

Stairs were erected at Prioleau's wharf, where the President was received and congratulated by the Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this State, the intendant and wardens of this city, and an uncommonly large concourse of citizens, who testified their happiness on the arrival of our chief magistrate by reiterated shouts of joy and satisfaction—the Charleston battalion of artillery saluted him with discharges from their field pieces, the bells of St. Michael's church were rung, and the shipping in the harbour displayed their colors during the day.

He was conducted to the exchange, preceded by the officers of the corporation, and followed by a procession, consisting of the militia officers, members of the Cincinnati, and other citizens, where he received the honors of the procession, to whom he politely and gracefully bowed as they passed in review before him. The order was then reversed, and the President escorted to the house in Church-street, prepared for his accommodation.

MAY 5.

Yesterday the society of the Cincinnati established in this state, gave a very sumptuous dinner to their illustrious President General, in M'Crady's long room, which was handsomely decorated with laurel and flowers. The Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, and civil Officers of this state, the Intendant and wardens of the city, the members of Congress, the Consuls of foreign powers, gentlemen strangers, the officers of the artillery, and a number of the most distinguished characters of this state, were present. After dinner, the following toasts were drank, followed by a discharge from the field pieces of the Charleston battalion of artillery:

1. The United States.
2. The fourth of July, 1776.
3. Louis the XVIth, king of the French.
4. The National Assembly of France.
5. All nations in amity with the United States.
6. Count D'Estaing and officers of the French navy, who served in America.
8. The Vice-President of the United States.
9. The Secretary of State.
10. The Secretary of the Treasury.
11. The Secretary of the War Department.
12. The army of the United States.
13. Agriculture and Commerce.
14. (By the President.) The memory of General Greene, and all those Officers who fell in defence of America.
15. The Patriotic Fair of America.

A choir of singers entertained the company with several pieces of vocal music, and the day was spent in social festivity.

In the evening a splendid ball was given by the city corporation, which the President of the United States honored with his presence. There was a numerous and brilliant assemblage of ladies and a great number of gentlemen present. The ladies were all superbly dressed, and most of them wore ribbons with different inscriptions, expressive of their respect and esteem for the President, such as "long live the President," &c. &c. Joy, satisfaction and gratitude illumined every countenance and revelled in each heart, whilst the demonstrations of grateful respect shewn him seemed to give him the most heartfelt satisfaction, which visibly displayed itself in his countenance.

The beautiful arch of lamps in front of the exchange was illuminated; and over the entrance there was a superb transparency, in the centre "*Delicis Patrie*," and at the top, G. W. The fusileer company was drawn up before the exchange to maintain order, and exhibited a very pleasing appearance. In short every circumstance of the evening's entertainment was truly picturesque of the most splendid elegance.

MAY 6.

The thirteen American Captains who rowed the barge in which the President came, from Haddril's Point, dined upon an elegant entertainment at M'Crady's, on Monday; to which a number of Masters of vessels were invited. The following toasts were given.

Our illustrious President.  
United States of America.  
The Governor and State of South-Carolina.  
The federal government; may it be equal to time.

The memory of the fallen heroes in defence of America.

Lewis XVIth. and the National Assembly.  
The sufferers in the cause of Freedom.  
The Marquis de la Fayette, Liberty's Viceroy.  
John Paul Jones.  
Captain Barry.  
The memories of Biddle and Pickering.  
Protection to our commerce.  
The family of mankind.

On the President's arrival, the Charleston battalion of artillery made him an offer of their official attendance during his stay in this city, and regularly to mount guard for the purpose; but he politely declined their friendly offer, saying, that he considered himself perfectly safe in the affection and amicable attachment of the people; a circumstance whereof he had already received too many proofs to doubt of its sincerity.

Yesterday the President of the United States visited Sullivan's Island, accompanied by General Moultrie and several other gentlemen of great respectability, where he had the pleasure of viewing the remains of Fort Moultrie, so celebrated for its gallant defence against a powerful British fleet and army, in the year 1776. On his way to Sullivan's Island he stopped at Fort-Johnston, on James-Island. At both places he was shewn the greatest politeness and attention; and at two o'clock, he returned from this pleasant water excursion.

At four o'clock, a public entertainment was given by his Excellency the Governor, at his house in Meeting-street, to the President of the United States, and the principal gentlemen of the civil, clerical and military professions. The following toasts were drank:

United States.  
Congress of the United States.  
4th of July, 1776.  
Louis XVI.  
National Assembly of France.  
Friendly powers of Europe.  
Fair of America.  
Memory of General Green.  
Agriculture and Commerce.  
Arts and Sciences.  
Friends of Freedom in every quarter of the globe.

Marquis de la Fayette.  
Memory of those who have fallen in the defence of the rights of mankind.

After the President retired the following was drank—"The President of the United States."

And in the evening there was a concert in the city-hall, which on this occasion had received considerable alterations, and was decorated with various ornaments—the pillars were ingeniously entwined with laurel, and the following devices inscribed in different parts of the hall:

"With grateful praises of the hero's fame,  
We'll teach our infants' tongues to lip his name."  
"Hominis jura, defendit et curat"—"Magnus in bello"—  
"vitam impendere bono"—"Diogene aujourd'hui cafferoit sa lanterne."

The company was enlivened and dignified by the presence of the great head of our nation, and a large number of respectable ladies and gentlemen, forming a most brilliant circle. An excellent band of music played in the orchestra, and were accompanied in the vocal strain by the choir of St. Philip's church.

TO A BAD POET.

"READ the commandments, friend, and write no further,  
"For there 'tis written, thou shalt do no murder."

WINCHESTER, May 7.

On Wednesday last, Captain Swearingens company of Levies, lately raised in the county of Berkeley, marched into this town from Martinburg—on Thursday they were equipped in their uniforms, and made a very respectable and soldier like appearance.

We hear this is to be the place of rendezvous for the companies raising in this State—and that another company is shortly expected from Alexandria, to join those already here.

Captain Brock's company, for which the first man was enrolled last Tuesday fortnight, is now upwards of fifty strong.

The President of the United States has been pleased to appoint Col. William Darke to the command of the battalion of Levies now raising in this State.

A French emigrant of note, who arrived in this town on Friday last, in eight days from Gallipolis, on the Miami, contradicts the report of Capt. Guion being murdered, as mentioned in some of the papers. Said emigrant informs, that his companions have not as yet been molested by the Savages, but were under strong apprehensions of a visit from them ere long.

A L B A N Y, May 9.

Nearly two centuries have revolved since the first foundation of this city.—The pursuits of its inhabitants have heretofore been partial and local Had the first settlers implanted with themselves those seeds of enterprize and accommodation to all nations and sects that distinguished the founders of Philadelphia in 1681, we should