

met in the Bahama Straits, in the night, the Saucy Jack, of 14 guns, belonging to New-Providenc, exchanged a broad side with her and parted; and that they afterwards spoke with a vessel from Ireland bound to Philadelphia, that had been boarded by the Jack, from which they learnt that they had killed her first lieutenant and a number of men. The Frenchman received a wound in the mast, at least, and probably some other injury.

### WALPOLE, (N. H.) Aug. 21 INCIDENTS AT HOME.

Early yesterday morning, the inhabitants of this village were roused to oppose the fury, not of the fire but of the watery element. Vast quantities of rain, having fallen the preceding night and collected from our mountains in torrents, too mighty to be retained in the wonted channels, had burst their bounds, and were rushing into different parts of our street with destructive impetuosity. Many buildings were undermined and much injured; the surface and produce of several gardens swept away; and a considerable quantity of other property carried off or damaged. A fulling-mill, belonging to Mr. Sikes in the north part of the town, a number of mills and bridges in the vicinity have, we hear, been carried away by this deluge. The extent we have not yet ascertained.

Citizen Monroe loudly demands the reasons of his recal. Our faithful secretary of state offers to whisper them in the citizen's ear; but he is determined not to hear a single reason, unless given as loudly as he makes the demand. If reasons are ever offered, we hope they will be satisfactory to the citizen, as he intends, it is supposed, if they appear insufficient, to refuse his office.

The progress of fraternal institutions augurs well to civilization and to letters. A lodge of free and accepted masons has lately been consecrated, at Amherst, in this state; two others, at Groton and Munson, Mass. with a pleasing display of eloquence and sentimental hilarity. The latter is called the "Thomas Lodge," in honor of Isaiah Thomas, Esq. eminently distinguished by his attachment to the craft.

The "Phi Beta Kappa" society has given to the public the "Ruling Passion," (a poem, which has extorted unbounded applause) and have provided an ample repair, at the next anniversary, for the literary epicure.

### RICHMOND, August 14.

On Saturday, the Foundation Stone of the PENITENTIARY HOUSE to be erected near this city, was laid, in presence of a large and respectable number of inhabitants.

The hon. the Executive having sent a polite request, to the Masters of the different Lodges of the Society of Masons in this City and Manchester for their assistance, on the occasion—about 11 o'clock, they assembled at the Masons Hall, from whence the procession (under the direction of Brother L. Wood, as Marshal) moved in the following order to the place where the Stone was to be deposited.

### MUSIC.

TWO TYLERS, with Swords.  
THE CORNER STONE carried by 4 Brethren.  
HODDS, &c. carried by Brethren.  
STEWARDS—carrying the Corn, Wine & Oil.  
HOLY WRITINGS.  
BRETHREN—Two and Two.  
JUNIOR DEACONS.  
SECRETARIES of the different Lodges.  
TREASURERS.  
JUNIOR WARDENS of the respective Lodges.  
SENIOR WARDENS.  
PAST MASTERS.  
MASTERS of the four Lodges with The Archibits on their left.  
SENIOR DEACONS.  
TWO TYLERS with Swords.  
The Stone being laid with the usual formalities, by the different Masters, assisted by his Excellency the Governor; a plate with the subjoined Inscription thereon, was deposited. After partaking of some refreshment, the procession returned to the Hall, in the greatest Harmony and good order.

### INSCRIPTION.

THE LEGISLATURE OF VIRGINIA.  
HAVING ABOLISHED THE ANCIENT SANGUINARY CRIMINAL CODE,  
THIS FIRST STONE OF A BUILDING,  
THE MONUMENT OF THAT WISDOM,  
WHICH WHILE IT PUNISHES,  
WOULD REFORM THE CRIMINAL,  
WAS LAID  
ON THE 12TH DAY OF AUGUST,  
IN THE YEAR 1797.

### AND OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE the XXII.—By

The Worshipful Nathaniel W. Price, Master of the Richmond Lodge, No. 10. James Strange, Master Manchester Lodge, No. 14. W. H. Fitzwhyllson, Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. James Macmillan, St. John's, No. 36, with the officers and members of their respective Lodges.—The most worshipful R. Brooke, being Grand Master—5797. His Excellency James Wood, Governor of State. Hon. Hardin Burnley, Lieut. Governor. Carter Braxton, M. Jones, John Pennington, John Mayo, John Guernat, Alex. M'Rea, of the Council of State. Brother Benjamin H. La Trobe, Bonnevill—Archibits.

### EPIGRAM.

My friend, the honest Doctor's dead!  
His merry jokes his neighbors tell,  
The men all praise his learned head;  
The women say he knew things well!  
Brisk e'en to death he call'd for wine,  
And when old crazy time, alas!  
Shew'd his hand run, "I do repine,"  
Said he, "to see an em'ly e'en."

## The Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA,  
FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 1.

List of Cases of contagious fever, which have occurred since the 25th of August, to the present date, Sept. 1.

Aug. The following were omitted in former List, viz.

Joseph West, student in medicine, Pine St. Young woman, at Mr. Wynkoop's, Water above Pine.  
Mr. Joyce, Front above Pine.  
B. Ashmead, Union above Second.  
53 admitted to the City Hospital, from the 18th to the 26th, of whom 21 have died, 12 remain sick.

26th (Samuel Cummins) Water above Spruce. (Mr. Kollack)  
Mr. McLeod's son, Water below South. (Mr. Murphy) at Cooper's ferry.  
(Mr. Cole) Second below Pine.  
Capt. McCowan, on board ship Active near Christian street. Capt. McCowan conducted the Arethusa to the Fort five days before his attack of fever.

(Doct. Thompson) Front above Pine.  
27th Mr. Stephen Thompson, medical student, do.  
Miss Wynkoop, Water above Pine.  
Mr. Burnes, Water and Spruce.  
Doct. Way, Second above Walnut.  
28th Mr. Laper, Lombard near 5th.  
Two women, at Mr. Foster's.  
Mr. J. Marsh, Christian street.

29th Nancy Timmons, Penn St. near South.  
Martha } Dolby, do.  
and John } do.  
Mrs. Wall, do.  
Thomas and } Water below Queen.  
Mrs. Fitzgerald, }  
John, at Mr. Davis's, Front near Spruce.  
Mr. Reindollar, Lombard near Second.

30th Two black girls, at Mr. Leod's.  
Uriah, at Mr. Browns, Second below Pine.  
31st Mrs. Kelley, Alley near South.  
Jacob Shoemaker, Stamper's Alley.  
Mrs. Burket, Water near Spruce.  
John Barker, Water near Pine.

The fever has also made some progress in Kensington, into which place it appears to have been introduced by a young man named Brewster, who had been with marketing on board the ship Hind, while the Jay at the Fort the beginning of August. This young man died—vomited black matter previous to his death—communicated the disease to some of his attendants, according to the report of his Physician Dr. Leib, and a letter to the Board of Health from Mr. S. Fowler, whose brother lately died of the disease.

Burials in the 24 hours, ending yesterday at noon,—5 adults, and 4 children.

DIED, on Tuesday evening last, Dr. JACOB THOMPSON.  
On Friday the 25th inst. departed this life, after a tedious illness of 8 months, captain JOHN MEASE, jun. of this city.

### DEATH OF BURKE.

An article dated Newcastle, July 25, announces the death of EDMUND BURKE, the immortal Orator and Statesman,—that great man, whose vast and irrefragable eloquence has so eminently contributed to preserve Great Britain from being overborne by that immense torrent of Gothic barbarism, which has broken down the feeble barriers elsewhere opposed to it, and whelmed in equal defolation and dullness, the frozen glaciers of Savoy, and the mild, fertile clime of the once fierce and high souled Iberian. All bow beneath the blast, for "the Age of Chivalry is gone;" and "to fall down, rascal-like, with a pinch," is become the fashion of these degenerate times.

Cold is that tongue whose high-wrought eloquence could keep alive in one little life alone, a fire which it saw daily extinguishing in the regions around, by the mighty hand of revolution and disorder. Nor did he live to see it put out. The extinction of the mutiny a short time before his death, must have shed a benignant gleam over his latest moments; and laid his aged head, content, in the lap of Death.

Sic transit "GLORIA MUNDI."

Died, lately, in England, at a very great age, CHARLES MACCLIN, Esq. member of several literary societies, and author of several of the most popular Farces. Macclin was also an actor, and particularly celebrated for his performance of Shakespeare's Shylock. Garrick is reported to have exclaimed, when he first saw him, "That is the Jew that Shakespeare drew;" nor would the latter ever perform in that character, on account of the overbearing excellence of Macclin in a part for which he deemed him to have been fashioned by nature.

To the Citizens of Philadelphia who are gone out of town.

Fellow Citizens,  
Many of you have shut up your houses, and locked your gates, whereby no fair access can be had to the ripe fruit which is rotting upon your trees and vines. This fruit would afford a comfortable repast to the poor sick in the Wigwam and in other parts of the town; why then can you not give directions to those to whom you have entrusted your keys, to deliver peaches and grapes which you cannot eat yourselves and which the boys or birds will destroy for you—Some thoughtful people have considered and provided for this in time, but others have omitted to do it, or left a liberty clogged with so many restrictions, that those who would alt for a little fruit for the sick, consider the manner in which it is given as denying them to call again. If there was ever a time to feel for the misery of your fellow citizens it is now, and to be as generous as your situation will admit of. That a kind Providence may permit us soon to see each other again to our common comfort, is the fervent wish of your  
FELLOW CITIZEN.

Sept. 1.

Messrs. CLAYPOOLS,

I OBSERVED in your paper of this morning the following information, viz.  
"We are informed that the health of the people in Southwark is shut up, it having been found an useless institution, owing to the general health of the inhabitants, and the total absence of contagious disease from that quarter."

I beg leave to inform you and the public, that the committee of Southwark have not

shut up their office as was afforded, but removed it to Mr. Jonathan Penrice's ice-house, back of the hay-cales in second-street, a place well known in the district. As to its being an useless institution, I will leave that to the inhabitants of Southwark to determine.

A Member of the Southwark Committee.  
Southwark, Aug. 31, 1797.

### GAZETTE MARINE LIST.

PORT of PHILADELPHIA.

ARRIVED.	DAYS.
Ship Cumberland, Scott,	Hull 40
Brig Clarissa, Brewton,	Rotterdam 84
Sch'r Sally, Jackson,	Boston 16
Dove, May,	Charleston 12
Sloop Katy, Gwin,	Norfolk 7
Sally, Anthony,	Rhode-Island 9
Sylvia, Macey,	Nantucket 9
Sally, White,	Virginia 7

Come up from the Fort.  
Ship Experiment, Jenny, Aux Cayes  
British armed brig Swinger, Sinclair, Barbadoes  
Brig Pilgrim, Smith, Port-au-Prince  
Little John, Butler, Petit Guave  
Sch'r Herminia, King, Port au Prince  
Sally, Calley, Surinam  
Eurau, Brewster, Cape Francois  
Sloop Hiram, Thornton, Port au Prince

Arrived at New-Castle the ship general Washington, Steel, from Londonderry, with 430 passengers, all in good health.  
The Cumberland failed from Hull the 17th July, in company with the brig Mercury, Miller, for Baltimore, and parted from her the 28th do. off Lewis's island, all well.  
Left at Hull, the

Ship Two Friends, Davidson, of this port.  
Pallas, Bester, New-York.  
Molly, Templeton, do.  
Joseph, Felt, do.  
Hannah, Robbins, Weathersfield.

The ship at the Fort from Boston, has dropped down to Marcus Hook.

The brig Active, and schooner Fair American, Simkins, of Philadelphia, were at Antigua, August 1.

Upwards of twenty sail of square-rigged vessels are below; amongst them are, the ship Washington, Steel, and a sloop, belonging to New-York, from Londonderry, with passengers; a ship belonging to Kennebeck, from Hull; the brig Susanah, Butler, from Madeira; a schooner from Aux Cayes (supposed to be the Orion); brig Welcome Return, Labree, from Savannah, and the brig Fair Hebe, Eldridge.

New-York, August 31.

ARRIVED.	Days
Ship Lydia, Goodrich,	Amsterdam 79
Brig Vigilant, Cables,	Jamaica 40
Prudence, Sarrord,	Curacao 24
Neptune, Devirex,	Salem 5
Schr. Orange, Saul,	Baltimore 12
Sloop Hercules, Colver,	Norfolk 6
Mary, Totten,	St. Croix
Brig Flora, is captured and carried into New Providence.	

List of American vessels left at Amsterdam, June 14th, 1797, received by Captain Goodrich, of the ship Lydia, from Amsterdam:

Ship Sisters, Charleston, Mulloy, for Hamburg  
Elizabeth, of Philadelphia, Bray  
Good Friends, do. John Smith  
Amiable, do. D. C. Tillinghast.  
Neptune, do. Jeffereys  
Fox, of Charleston, L. Lincoln  
Three Friends, of New-York, J. Grimes  
Minerva, of do. K. Clarkon  
Holland, of George-town, Dawson  
Brig Hannah, of Philadelphia, Kenney, for St. Croix  
Fame, of Baltimore, G. Stiles  
Betsey, of Newburyport, G. Jenkins.  
Betsey, of Boston, Job Prince  
Patty, of Salem, Wm. Ives.

Arrived—Brig Two Sisters, Conkling, Cape Francois.

Ship Phoebe, from Havre de Grace, for New York, was spoke July 13, lat. 41, 54, long. 39.  
From the log-book of the brig Two Sisters, Conkling.

August 10, was boarded by the British frigate Ambuscade, treated politely and dismissed.

August 13, spoke a British letter marque ship, of 20 guns, called the General Nicholl, capt. Morrison, belonging to Grenada, and then bound to the Grand Coyacas—she was manned by English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Americans, &c. The captain was ordered on board with his papers; the captain of the ship, without examining them, put them in his chest and went himself on board the brig; he there beat with his hanger every sailer on board, ordering them at the same time to declare the property to be French; finding such treatment in vain, he took the mate and every sailer out of the brig except one sick man, and maned her with his officers and sailors and made sail for the Coyacas; our mate observed to him that it was a shame to abuse neutral sailers as he had done; he replied that we were all a parcel of Yankee rascals, and put the mate in irons, hands and feet. After giving us every possible trouble and ill treatment, he was prevailed on to examine the papers, after which, at 10 P. M. he sent us on board the brig, the prize master and mate which were put on board the brig were Americans, and void of principle or humanity, took away the captains spy glass and many other articles.

Providence, August 26.

Tuesday arrived the ship Independence, of this port, capt. Hallowell, in 42 days from Hamburg, having performed the voyage out and home in 96 days.

Capt. Hallowell informs, that the ship Confederacy, of New-York, capt. Scott Jewkes, from Canton for New-York, is captured and carried into France.

Ship Mary, Hughes; James Brown; Provintence, Gardner; and Diana, Jenkins, all of New-York.—Ash Lamb, and South Warren, of Boston.—Carroll Martin, of Baltimore.—Enterprise Norris, of Philadelphia.—Barney Beach, of Cape Ann.—Pries Fliza; Newthm, and Effix, Walle, of New-York.—Lucretia, Howland, of New Bedford.—Bailey, Cole, of Beverly.—Barque Vigilant, Mafure, of Salem.  
Sailed in company with the ship Charlotte, Neal, of New-York, and brig Betsey, of Charleston—July 16 in sight of Fair Isle. spoke the ship Mercury, of Saco, from Charleston bound to Hamburg, out 71 days short of water—July 20, lat. 50 long. 25, spoke the ship Montezuma, of Hallowell, from Liverpool for Virginia, out 66 days.—August 4, lat. 45, long. 25, spoke the brig Swan, char. from Newburyport for Amsterdam, out 14 days, all well.—The ship Knight, of Charleston, from the Havannah for Hamburg, out 57 days.

### By this day's Mail.

NEW-YORK, August 31.

Received by the brig Vigilant, captain Cables, arrived here yesterday from Falmouth (Jamaica) June 21.

Yesterday arrived here the American brig Sally, captain Tarry, 29 days from Rhode-Island, with a cargo or provisions, lumber, and fish, consigned to Messrs. John Christie and Co.

Wednesday last arrived the brig Polly, captain M'Lean, belonging to this port, in 32 days from the Bay of Honduras, loaded with mahogany.—The Polly mounts 4 guns 4 pounders, and her men 17 in number, including the captain and a Mr. Crofs, passenger. Captain M'Lean distinguished himself by a most able defence of his vessel, off this port, against a republican sloop privateer of 4 guns, and full of men, with musquetry and small arms.

In fight of the inhabitants of this town and neighborhood, at half past four in the afternoon, the action commenced. The Polly was under a press of sail, with a fresh breeze, steering directly for the harbour, and the privateer within musket shot to windward. In this position a running fight was kept up for upwards of an hour, during which time the privateer fired 22 guns, exclusive of musquetry, at the Polly; finding she would not strike, the desperado put his helm up, and made three different attempts to board. In the last she run her jib boom directly under the Polly's main boom, to board on the quarter; fortunately, however, the first man that attempted to get on the Polly's boom, missed his hold, and fell overboard.

This very lucky accident, and a volley of small arms, from capt. M'Leans brave crew, threw the republicans into confusion and they bore away to pick up their man, and the sheets of the privateer flying her topsail being shot away, it took some time to pick up the man, and get the sheets spliced which was no sooner done, than they made sail after the Polly, and was soon up with her; when nearly under her stern, the captain of the privateer brandished his sword, was distinctly heard to say in broken English, we have got him, threatening instant death to the Polly's crew, if they did not strike.

At this moment capt. M'Leans boatwain, John Hill, a brave fellow, got the only gun that could be brought to bear upon the enemy, a stern chaser, which was a load of canister shot, he fired that into her decks. This gun must probably saved the Polly, as several of the privateer's men were seen to fall, and the blood running from the deck; the moment after the boatwain fired this gun, he was unfortunately killed, a grape shot went through his head.—Capt. M'Lean had a very narrow escape, a ball from the farnegan that killed his boatwain, grazed his cheek, and took off some of the skin. The marauders finding they were nearly in gun shot, seeing several boats with armed men beating out of the harbour, and Fort Baltacaras firing at them, after very politely wishing capt. M'Lean a "Good-Night," bore away, with the tri-coloured flag flying, and got off.

The cook of the Polly, a free negro, late of the ship York, Lainbridge, was dangerously wounded in the action, a ball having passed through his arm and breast. Capt. M'Lean got safe in at 6 o'clock in the evening, to the great joy of a number of spectators, whose moments of anxiety during the contest, cannot be described.

On Thursday morning, the remains of the boatwain, that so gallantly fell in the action, were very decently interred, attended by captain M'Lean and most of the sailors in the harbour; minute guns were fired on board the Polly.

At a district court held at Newport, R. I. the first day of August, the ship Hope, libelled for reporting slaves from the coast of Africa to a foreign port, was condemned, and ordered to be sold in September next.

BOSTON, August 28.

Arrived schooner Bilbao, Stutson, from Bourdeaux, in 35 days.

Capt. Stutson is said to have brought GREAT NEWS:—That hostilities had commenced in Italy, between the French and Austrian armies;—That the hopes of a speedy peace are entirely dissipated;—That Buonaparte had been summoned to Paris, to give an account of his dilapidation of the contributions levied on Italy;—That he had replied, that the money had been appropriated to the best of purposes, that of paying, cloathing, and supplying the veterans of his legions; and that his soldiery had declared that they would not part with him; and if he must proceed to Paris, they would accompany him; that the emperor of infurconation at Paris, threatened to involve France with its destructive lava; and

that in the sharp contests between the legislative Councils, and the Executive Directory, the former had prevailed.—an event auspicious to the continued tranquillity of the United States.

### Mercantile Information.

From the CHRONICLE.  
UNIVERSAL LIBERTY.

Cape Francois, 18 Thermidor, 3th year of the French republic, one and indivisible.  
Joseph Anthony Idlinger, Civil Ordonnateur of the northern department in the islands St. Domingo,  
To Citizen Mozard, Consul of the French republic, in Boston.

Citizen,  
I seize the opportunity offered me by citizen —, who returns to America, to desire you to encourage the merchants residing in the different parts within your consular precinct, to send here salted PROVISIONS, that article being very scarce now.

Our cultivation has been much improved of late, and such merchants as would speculate upon this object may depend upon a real benefit.

Republican virtue, and close application to agriculture, are the order of the day among the French of Hispaniola, and the value of colonial produce during the 5th year, has been tenfold to what it was during the course of the 4th. This is the true situation of the department intrusted to my care.  
Greeting and Friendship,

(Signed) IDLINGER.  
[Bitter experience has taught us that invitations of this nature are only snarls for the credulous; and any man who can forego the opportunity now held out of procuring justice or revenge, and ship out provisions to keep the monsters from the just chastisement which awaits their treachery, deserves every thing that can befall him.

The good man Bache furnishes a hogghish anecdote, peculiarly applicable to this case. It is a passage from the travels of Nicholas Klymus (in Latin) through Holland.— "It was in the month of December, and not far from the festival they call Christmas. In an early ramble on a cold frothy morning, I chanced to take a Dutchman's farm in my way. A hog-pen was adjacent to the house, a dirty, muddy, gunsmire place, in which three or four of the swine were straitly confined. The poor devils had been so illly attended as to be half starved, and had not even a handful of straw to lie down upon. They shivered with cold, and seemed to say to me, Traveller, compassionate on our care and let us free!—I at first passed by them with indifference, but reflection getting hold of me, of which I am eternally the dupe, I returned, and at the risque of the Dutchman's vengeance, ventured to put down a corner of the fence to let the poor frozen starved animals run a little at large—in doing this (I never shall forget nor forgive it while I exist) one of the miserable wretches ran at me and cruelly bit my hand at the moment I was setting them free—Stay there then (said I) and be d—d."]

### Higgins' Specific

FOR THE PREVENTION AND CURE OF THE YELLOW FEVER.

EVER since this disease made such ravages in this City and New-York, the author has turned his attention to its causes and cure.—The result of his enquiries has convinced him that the reason why few persons recover from its attacks, are from its not being well understood, and the consequent wrong method taken to cure it. He is persuaded that the excessive bleedings and mercurial treatment of the Faculty is highly injurious, and that the only rational mode of treatment is by the use of proper acids. Convinced of this he offers his Specific as a certain remedy, if used according to the directions.

To be had in bottles, at one dollar each, of the inventor Geo. Higgins, Cherry Street, two doors above Ninth Street, (late magazine of Jackson and Co's Medicine Warehouse, London); by J. Leblanc, No. 26; W. Griffith, No. 177, T. Parre, No. 21, South Third Street, T. Stiff, No. 55, New Street, near Vine Street, and J. Gale, No. 16, Race Street.  
Aug. 25. 1797.

### To be sold at Public Vendue.

To the highest bidder, at the house of Mr. William Evans, the 6th of the Indian Queen, in the city of Baltimore, on the 25th day of October next, at 11 o'clock, A. M.  
About seven thousand acres of land, the property of William Bell, of Philadelphia, lying between Reister's town and Westminster, commonly called Little Winchester, (the turnpike road runs through a considerable part of these lands) the tract begins about 17 miles from Baltimore, within a few hundred yards from Reister's town, and extends to the distance of about twenty-three miles from Baltimore, and lies on the main falls of Patapsco river, from three to four miles thereon. Will be sold in tracts of one hundred and fifty to three hundred acre. There is a large proportion of meadow and wood land on each tract, some of them highly improved, with excellent buildings and fine grafs.  
ALSO

A tract of seven hundred acres of land, called Clover Farms, within five miles of Bladenburg, eleemed very good for Grafs. Richard Ponsonby, of Bladenburgh, will shew this land to any person inclined to purchase.  
ALSO,

A tract of land of about three hundred and thirty acres, within about two miles and a half of the President's house in the Federal City. It is nearly all wood land, and a fine high property, from which may be seen the city of Washington, Bladenburgh, Alexandria and a part of George-town, and many miles down the Potomac river. Mr. Richard Ponsonby, of Bladenburgh, will also shew this land.  
A liberal credit will be given for the greatest part of the purchase money. The terms will be made known on the day of sale.  
May 8 1797.

Act laying Duties on Stamped Vellum, Parchment and Paper.

A FEW copies of the above act may be had at the Office of the Gazette of the United States, No 119, Chestnut-Street. July 29.