

We are informed the Secretary of State yesterday received a letter from Mr. Murray, our minister at the Hague, inclosing a letter he received from general Marshall, which informs, that the French government had not recognised the American commission, and that they daily expected they would be obliged to quit the republic. Mr. Marshall's letter is dated October the 21st.

Extract of a letter from Mr. Fenwick, American Consul at Bourdeaux, to his correspondent in Charleston, dated 9th Nov. "In consequence of the hostile appearances with America, the bearer of this has changed his destination, and tells me he will touch at Charleston. I don't think for my own part that there will be a rupture with the United States, yet the negotiation at Paris is likely to be without success, and it is said our commissioners are preparing to depart. There is no change in the conduct towards our commerce; and four vessels carried into L'Orient, have been condemned at Vaux in the court of appeals. Peace with the Emperor is made definitively; the French have dictated."

Capt. Atkins intended to sail for a French port in the West Indies, but in consequence of the news from General Pinckney, he thought it best to return to America; he brought no newspapers.

A correspondent begs leave to observe, that if any of the members of the Legislature are not convinced of the necessity of a Turnpike Road to Germantown, a ride to that place is recommended as the best argument to remove their doubts.

The American Philosophical Society held their annual election of officers, on the first Friday of this inst. when the following were duly chosen:

President—The hon. Thomas Jefferson. Vice-Presidents—Nicholas Collin, D. D. Dr. Benjamin Rush, Dr. Caspar Wistar. Treasurer—Mr. John Vaughan. Secretaries—Samuel Magaw, D. D. Dr. Adam Seybert, Dr. I. C. James, Mr. Samuel H. Smith.

Curators—Mr. Charles W. Peale, Dr. Benjamin S. Barton, Mr. Robert Patterson.

Class of Counsellors for 3 years. Mr. Jonathan B. Smith, Dr. William Currie, William Smith D. D. Mr. Jonathan Williams, 2 years from January 1798.

The society will hold a stated meeting, on the evening of the 19th, at 6 o'clock.

A stated meeting of the American Philosophical Society will be held at their hall at 6 o'clock this evening.

Yesterday in the Senate of the United States, upon a motion for leave to bring in a bill to repeal the law passed by Mr. Greene, a member from Rhode Island, in pursuance of instructions from that state—the Yeas and Nays were as follow:

YEAS. Messrs. Anderson, Bloodworth, Brown, Foster, Greene, Jackson, Langdon, Livermore, Martin, Mason, Tazewell—11.

NAYS. Messrs. Bingham, Chipman, Goodhue, Gunn, Hillhouse, Howard, Hunter, Latimer, Lloyd, Marshal, Paine, Read, Rofs, Sedgwick, Tracy—15.

Four members of the Senate are absent from the States of New-York, one, New Jersey, two, and one from Delaware—these would have voted against the motion had they been present, in that case there would have been a still greater majority against granting leave.

FURTHER REPORT

From the Committee appointed, on the 8th of July last, to prepare and report articles of impeachment against WILLIAM BLOUNT, a Senator of the United States, impeached by the House of Representatives, of high crimes and misdemeanors. The committee, appointed on the eighth day of July last to prepare and report articles of impeachment against William Blount a Senator of the United States, impeached by this house of high crimes and misdemeanors; which committee, by a resolution of the tenth day of July last, were instructed "to enquire and, by all lawful means, to discover the whole nature and extent of the offence whereof the said William Blount stands impeached, and who are the parties and associates therein;" beg leave, in pursuance of the last recited instruction, and in addition to their report of the thirtieth of November last, further to report the deposition of Abel Holden, jun. taken before Richard Varick, Esq. Mayor of the city of New-York, in consequence of information given to the chairman of the committee, by captain William Eaton, since the date of the last report.

New-York, ff.

Abel Holden, junior, of the city of New-York, in the state of New-York, being duly sworn upon the Evangelists of Almighty God, makes oath and faith, that he lived for a number of years in the state of New-Hampshire, where he was acquainted with John Phillips Ripley, nephew to the President of Dartmouth College—that the said John Phillips Ripley lived for about two months during the last summer, and this deponent thinks in the months of July and August last, as a boarder and lodger in the house of Asa Holden, the uncle of this deponent, where this deponent also lived at the same time, in the city of New-York—that the said John Phillips Ripley during the said period, having been applied to for payment of the money due for his board and lodging, this deponent at his request,

accompanied him first to a house, at the corner of Pearl and Broad-streets, in the said city, where he said he should see a gentleman from whom he was to have some money—that the said John Phillips Ripley there conferred with a person to this deponent unknown, in the French language, which this deponent does not understand, and then informed this deponent that the gentleman whom he expected to have seen, was not at home—that this deponent then proceeded with the said John Phillips Ripley, at his desire, to a house in Greenwich street, near the Battery, in the said city, which this deponent has since understood, to be occupied by the Spanish consul, and where, as this deponent then understood, he expected to see the Spanish minister—that in the course of conversation on a former day, the said John Phillips Ripley had informed the deponent that he knew the Spanish minister, whom he had recently seen in the said city, in a phaeton, drawn by four horses—that upon their coming to the said house in Greenwich street, the said John Phillips Ripley looked in at one of the windows, and said, that he saw there was company in the room, and that he would take another opportunity of calling, or to that effect—and added, that he had already had two hundred dollars from the said minister, and was to have more money from him—that he has heard the said John Phillips Ripley say, that he should have had the office afterwards conferred upon captain Eaton, of Consul at Algiers, but that captain Eaton had interfered and prevented it—that he was present when a similar declaration of the said John Phillips Ripley was mentioned to captain Eaton, who then observed that he had been inclined to favour Ripley's views, but that there were substantial reasons to prevent his appointment, and further added, that he understood Ripley had received money from the Spanish Minister,—that this deponent thereupon communicated to captain Eaton what he the said John Phillips Ripley had mentioned to him as aforesaid, and had before mentioned the same in the family of his uncle, the late Asa Holden.

ABEL HOLDEN, jr.

Sworn the 30th day of December, 1797, before me, (the word "had," and the words "whom he had recently seen in the said city, in a phaeton drawn by four horses," being first interlined, the last words over an obliteration.) RICH'D VARICK, Mayor.

NEW-YORK, JAN. 10.

A GHOST.

New-Goal, (in the Fields) Jan. 10, 1798 A true and surprising account of the apparition or ghost of a woman, that has appeared several nights past in the New-Goal, to the great terror and affright of the prisoners, many of whom are ready to confirm the truth of it on oath.

Capt. Fish declares that for several nights past, the apparition of a woman has haunted the goal from room to room, this and the last week, followed and encircled by a radiant light, dressed in a white flowing robe and a turban on her head, seemingly of a pleasing but dejected countenance. Capt. Fish declares that about twelve o'clock on Friday night this apparition came to his bedside, and drew the curtains, looking steadily at him for some time, which so affrighted him, that he adjured her in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, to tell him who she was, or why she came in "Je questionna ble a shape," when the calling a "look of terror," accompanied with most insupportable sweats gradually disappeared in the light of several other prisoners who were in the room, and are ready to testify the truth of what is here advanced.

Mr. Miller another debtor in the same room, going to the upper hall, about one in the morning, was met by the same woman who pulled him by the coat; which so alarmed and frightened him that he stood petrified as a statue; when he came a little to himself he saw her gradually advance to the window, from which she vanished. He then called to the watchman to ask him if he had seen it, he declared he did, and that he had seen it vanish from the same window several nights successively.

Mr. Miller further declares, that after she was gone, a large globe of fire of the most beautiful and diversified colours rolled up and down the hall for the space of five minutes; and then of a sudden burst with a dreadful explosion, which left him in total darkness, and he saw the apparition; when making but one step from the top of the stairs to the bottom, he recovered his room, in a condition of undecipherable terror.

The Friday following Mr. Evans, being asleep in his bed, was suddenly awakened by something drawing open the curtains of his bed, when he perceived the figure of a beautiful woman, arrayed in whites, looking steadfastly on him, which much alarmed him; he communicated his fear to another man who was in the same bed with him, who also saw it with terror and astonishment. It continued a considerable time by the bedside in a contemplative posture, often putting her hand on the left side of her robe, which seemed to be tinged with blood, and then heaving a deep sigh, vanished through the wall.

Mr. Hewit a few evenings after this, in the dead of the night being alarmed in his sleep, suddenly leaped out of bed, and the first thing presented to his view was the apparition of this woman, who with the most placid countenance seemed to claim his pity; but frightened to the greatest degree at so uncommon an appearance, and fear closing his power of utterance, he leaped again into bed, covering himself over head and ears, with every particle of the bed furniture that was within his grasp. In a few minutes after, this apparition disappeared, which was accompanied by a solemn, hollow, rumbling noise, leaving him in "The utmost exacerbation of human terror."

The prisoners in general further declare, that almost every night about twelve o'clock there appears a large ball of fire at intervals, which illuminates every room in the goal for a time.

"Dread'd for a certain term to walk the night, And for the day confin'd to fill in fire, Till the foul crimes done in my days of nature Are burnt and purg'd away. But that I am forbid To tell the secrets of my prison house, I could a tale unfold, whose lightest word Would burn up the soul, freeze all thy blood, Make thy eyes like his that start from their spheres, Thy knotted and uncombed locks to part, And each particular hair to stand on end, Like quills upon the fretful porcupine."

PRICE OF STOCKS.

Table with columns for Philadelphia, January 16, 1797, listing various stocks and their prices.

The Eastern mail had not arrived when this paper went to press.

GAZETTE MARINER LIST.

From Lloyd's list of Nov. 7. Arrived at Hamburg, Ship Alexander Magnus, Ehrman, from Philadelphia. The armed brig reported to have arrived at Marsa Hook yesterday, is said to be the Role, Meany, Isle of France. Brig Nancy, Hoggar, hence to C. N. Mole, was captured Nov. 20, in lat. 21, 48. long. 69 W. by the French brig le Pandour capt. Gavrilcan, and retaken on the 25th by the British private ship of war, lord Hawkebury, near Curacao, and arrived at Bermuda the 1st ult, where vessel and property are labelled as French property.

Table with columns for New-York, Jan. 17, listing arrivals from various ports like Greenock, St. Augustine, Savannah, and Wilmington.

The ship Nancy, capt. Forrest, was taken by the French privateer La Favourance, of 14 guns, from Nantz, on the 14th November, in lat. 40. 30. long. 31. The mate, 3 hands and 10 passengers, were put on board the privateer as they were going to France, but was separated in a gale of wind, and on the 27th November, captain Forrest, with remainder of his crew and passengers, retook the Nancy, and arrived here last evening, with 12 Frenchmen and a prize-master. Too much praise cannot be given to captain Forrest for his conduct on this occasion; and we sincerely hope full merit will be done him in due season.

Six hundred and thirty-four vessels, including ships, snows, brigs, schooners and sloops, arrived at Boston, in the year 1797 from foreign ports, cleared, to foreign ports, in 1727, 73 ships, 145 snows and brigs, 171 schooners, and 22 sloops—which make four hundred and twelve.

Whaling. Arrived at New-Bedford, ship Ann, Coleman, 150 barrels, sperm oil. Spoke off Chili, April 28, capt. Swain, 300 bbls. Sperm oil; who had parted with capt. U. Bunker, April 2, with 80 bbls. sp. oil—May 2, with capt. P. Worth, 1200 bbls. sp. oil. Aug. 2, left capt. W. Easton, 700 bbls. sp. oil of Nantucket. Nov. 6, lat. 9, 10, 3 spoke ship Bradford, of New-Bedford 20 bbls. sp. oil.

Capt. Coleman informs, that the Spaniards have taken off Chili, 9 British whalemen, having 5400 bbls. of sp. oil.

From the New-York Gazette.

(Translation) Messrs. M'Lean & Lang,

Those who believe in the Spectre of the new prison, may also believe the sanctity of the views of John Stewart, the traveller, who goes from town to town, reading philosophical romances, for money. The man of reflection sees in the first case, the artifice of debtors who wish to get out of confinement, or of a child desirous of obtaining a Christmas box by the sale of a hand-bill;—in the second, he observes a hypocrite, with a tone of humility and benevolence, who, not knowing how to gain a living by practising some honest mechanical art, resorts to the more easy trade of reading and selling his lectures to idiots silly enough to give him their money. Deception is the ground-work of each. Neither is intended to inform men, nor to make them wiser.

When the revolution threatened France, and ever since that country has been torn to pieces by it, there have been, and still continue to be numbers of these public preachers, of these travelling mountebank quacks who under pretext of enlightening the human mind, inspired it with fanaticism, and formed many a political cut-throat. They demonstrated the perfectibility of man!!—But they showed at the same time that this desirable, and in their opinion, practicable elevation could not be attained but by reforming existing institutions. A fanciful picture placed at a great distance, magically exhibited the advantages to be gained by a change of habits, and a renovation of the political system. The deceived hearer, till then a good man, became enthusiastic for the imaginary good, heated by degrees, and turned out a demoniac. In his holy delirium, he seized a fire-brand, or armed himself with a dagger, and smote his father, the throne, or the altar.

It is thus—It is by means like these, that ambitious men on one side, and philosophers on the other, have murdered Louis XVI. and France. For whose benefit? For their own, since they reign in his stead, without having bettered the circumstances of the nation.

Rewbell, in the constituent Assembly, preaching the liberty of the sovereign people, and professing in the Directory, the most absolute despotism, resembles Pope Sixtus V. who, when Cardinal, used crutches; but call them aids on becoming Pope crying Ego sum Papa! This Rewbell, like all the agitators of 1789, had his writers and his Readers! He kill has them, but to preach an opposite doctrine; In 1789, Infurrection was the most sacred of duties—now it leads to the scaffold, or to CAYENNE! It has even been the case, that in order

to deceive the people, or to corrupt them publicators, who, like John Stewart, travelled from town to town, & were employed to preach under the cloak of Philosophy, the most poisonous principles.

Let any man read the pamphlets to which every period has given birth—Every new leaf, however villainous, however sanguinary is declared to be meant for the happiness of man. The treachery of eloquence disguised the most horrible projects; and morality was preached while crimes were inculeated.

Citizens, suspect these characters of philosophy—their lips are honeyed, but their hearts are filled with gall. "Attendite fallis Prophetis, qui veniunt ad vos in vestimentis ovium: intrinsecus autem sunt lupi rapaces." Gospel.

Every well-regulated government, should prohibit this species of Fanatics. The precipitate their hearers into a dangerous delirium of a stupid ecstasy—Both are incompatible with social order.

A FRENCHMAN

From the New-London ORACLE.

OF THE TERMINATION—ed. Words ending in ed, are derivatives, and are the participles terminating in d, and past tenses of verbs. As people differ in pronouncing words with this termination, I have suggested the following rules, and request grammarians to give their opinions on them.

Rule 1. When the primitive word ends in a consonant, the ed is subjoined to form the past tense or participle; and consequently ought to make a complete syllable with itself: to this rule, I know of no exceptions.

Rule 2. When the primitive word ends in E, there is only the D added, and ought not to be any more additional sound, the ad being joined and forming a syllable with the preceding letters, as gradus, facili, loquax, &c. would be pronounced gradus, facili, loquax, &c.

Note. To make a syllable in the words baptisat, baptisat, as well as many others are harsh and grating to the ear.

CADMUS.

ANECDOTE.

Pepe king of Bonney, who is perhaps one of the most extensive dealers in human flesh which the world can produce, was so much increased at the prospect of an abolition that he thus addressed a Liverpool captain.

"Why you no catchee dat Wilbafoce? why you no bringee to Pepe? I foon do um—I foon makee know why hepoil trade." The captain told him that it was impossible to comply with his request as the customs of England and those of Bonney were so very different.

"Well," exclaimed the monarch, "suppose you no bringee Wilbafoce, dere be one oder dey call Quaker—why you no catchee he?"

This anecdote reflects too much credit on these friends of humanity to require any comment.

Marshal's Sales.

UNITED STATES, } Pennsylvania District, } NOTICE is hereby given, that in pursuance of a writ to me directed, by the Hon. Richard Peters, Esq. Judge of the District Court of the United States, in and for the Pennsylvania District, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Custom-house, on Monday, the 29th day of January inst. at 12 o'clock at noon.

- 1 box of Sugar
2 bags of Coffee
1 barrel,
1 half barrel, and } of Limes
1 tub
2 Jars of Honey
20 Picot Apples
2 kegs of Spirits
1 keg of Sugar, and
7 barrels and one half barrel of Sugar

The same having been directed, in the said Court—by

WILLIAM NICHOLS, Marshal. Marshal's Office, 17th January, 1798.

Fresh Fruits and Wine,

DIRECT FROM MALAGA, By the brig Johanna, capt. Thiesler, arrived at Marcus Hook,

1000 casks fine Bloom Raisins

- 300 Boxes } do. do. do.
300 Jars } do. do. do.
340 Boxes, and } fine Muscatel do.
120 Half boxes }
100 Boxes lemons
100 Jars grapes
100 Kegs of figs
7 Bags soft shell'd almonds
60 Boxes Jordan almond kernels
8 Pipes } Red Catalonia Wine
21 Hogheads }
50 Hogheads } Malaga Wine
200 Qr. casks }
100 Qr. casks fine Mountain do.
30 Qr. casks Colomencar do.

Apply to Edward Dunant, No. 149, South Front Street.

Who will Freight or Charter, The said Brigantine JOHANNA, Being a Dane of about 200 tons burthen, for any port in Europe.

January 19

THE SHIP AMIABLE,

D. C. TILLINGHAM, Master, For Amsterdum,

CAN take in about 40 tons of goods to complete her cargo. She is intended to sail the first opening—For freight or passage apply to the master on board, at Bright's wharf, or to

Jeremiah Warder.

January 18

Hyfon and Young Hyfon Tea.

A few chests of excellent quality, For Sale, corner of Second and Pine Streets.

December 26.

NEW-THEATRE.

ON FRIDAY EVENING,

JANUARY 19, Will be presented, the celebrated Tragedy of ISABELLA;

OR, THE FATAL MARRIAGE. Count Baldwin, Mr. Warren—Biron, Mr. Fenell—Carlos, Mr. Wignell—Villero, Mr. Morston—Child, Mr. Warrall—Samphon, Mr. Francis—Balford, Mr. Fox—Officer, Mr. Warrall—Servants, Messrs. Blisset, Hunter, Lafferty, &c.

Habits, Mrs. Merry (being her first appearance in that character)—Nurse, Mrs. L'Etrange. In Act III. an EPITHALAMUM. The vocal parts by Messrs. Barry, Marshall, Harding, Warrall—Mrs. Odmixon, Miss Milburne, &c. &c.

To which will be added, A FARCE, called TWO STRINGS TO YOUR BOW; OR, THE MAN WITH TWO MASTERS.

Don Pedro, Mr. Francis—Don Sanchez, Mr. Warrall—Octavio, Mr. Fox—Ferdinand, Mr. Warrall, Mr. Borachio, Mr. Warren—Lazarillo, Mr. Borachio—Drunken Porter, Mr. Blisset—Waiters, Messrs. Warrall, Hunter, &c.

Donna Clara, Mrs. Francis—Leonora, Miss L'Etrange—Maid, Mrs. Docter.

On Saturday evening the favorite Comedy of the Jew: to which will be added, the Critic; or, a Tragedy Rehears'd.

Box, one Dollar; Pit, three quarters of a Dollar; and Gallery, half a Dollar.

The doors of the Theatre will open at five, and the curtain rise precisely at six o'clock. Tickets to be had at H. and P. Rice's book-store, N. 50 Market-st. and at the Office adjoining the Theatre.

VIVAT REPUBLICA!

Princeton—New-Jersey.

To be Sold,

THAT neat and convenient House in which the late Mrs. Ann Witherspoon, now Mrs. Ann Walker, lived; together with all the appurtenances. The house is two stories high, of frame work, and painted. There are four rooms and an entry on the lower floor, and five rooms on the second floor. The cellars are dry, and the garden spacious. The back yard is paved with stone, in it are a well of excellent water, and a smoke house, and house for alms, and a carriage house, hay loft, granary, and four for neat cattle. The lot is 60 feet wide upon the street, and 25 1/2 feet deep, somewhat more than one half of which is made into a kitchen garden or an excellent foil.

For terms, which will be made very reasonable, apply to the severend

Samuel S. Smith.

January 19

LOST,

IN this City, on Sunday November 16, 1797, A red Morocco Pocket Book, containing 2 notes of hand to READ & PETERS, as follows,

- John Duffield's, for 441 dollars 73 cents.
William M'Law's 435 37
George Way's 177 19
John Doaks 111 99
Edward Clayton's 60
Do. 30
Do. 27

John Brown's £106-15-11 One to dollar Bank of Pennsylvaniaian note—an order upon Walter Franklin, Esq. in favor of Charles Read, and sundry other papers that can be of no use but to the owners. Payment of the aforesaid notes of hand being made, a reward of 15 dollars shall be paid to the person or persons bringing said pocket book with the aforesaid contents to Read and Peticr, No. 65, Chestnut Street and no questions asked.

January 19.

Delaware and Schuylkill Canal Company,

January 17th, 1798.

An adjourned meeting of the Stockholders will be held at the Company's office on Friday next, 6 o'clock in the evening, on business of importance.

To be Exchanged for

British, German, or India Goods, IN THE PACKAGE; A tract of valuable Land In Lying, joining that of the Holland co. and containing 10,000 Acres. Inquire of the Printer.

Jan. 15.

Books for Sale,

And to be had at the Book-stores of Messrs. Dargson, CAMPBELL, YOUNG and OMBROD, in Philadelphia,

OBSERVATIONS

On the Causes and Cure of Remitting or Bilious Fevers.

To which is annexed, AN ABSTRACT of the opinions and practice of different authors; and an APPENDIX, exhibiting interesting facts and reflections relative to the Synchus, Ictericus, or Yellow Fever, which has occasioned so much distress and mortality, at different periods, in several of the seaport towns of the United States of America.

By WILLIAM CURRIE, Fellow of the Philadelphia College of Physicians, and Member of the American Philosophical Society, &c.

Imported in the brig Eliza,

Capt. HASTIE, from Bourdeaux; Claret in Cases of a very superior quality, White Sauterne Wine in Cases, Olive Oil in baskets of 12 bottles each, White and coloured Kid Gloves, do. do. Silk do.

A few pipes of Bourdeaux Brandy.

For Sale by JAMES LATIMER, jun.

71, South Wharves.

Who has also for Sale,

A few qr. Casks Old Sherry Wine.

Dec. 5.

Two furnished Rooms to be Let.

Enquire at No. 162, Spruce-Street, between 4th and 5th Streets. Any person who shall rent the above, may if required, be accommodated with board.

Jan. 15.

This day is Published,

At the office of the Aurora, No. 122, Market Street, [Price one dollar and a half.] A view of the conduct of the EXECUTIVE in the FOREIGN AFFAIRS of the United States, connected with the Mission to the French Republic during the years, 1794, 5, 6.

By JAMES MONROE, Late Minister Plenipotentiary to the said Republic

Illustrated by his INSTRUCTIONS and CORRESPONDENCE and other authentic documents. A very liberal allowance to those who buy to sell again.

December 23.