

should consider the Secretary of War as highly blamable for having done so, as the appropriation is the only check which the Legislature has over their contingent expenses.

Mr. J. WILLIAMS agreed with the gentleman from Pennsylvania that the expenses of the quarter-master's department ought not to be so large now our troops are stationary as heretofore; but he thought these objections ought to have been made in the committee of the whole; and if there existed doubts as to the wisdom of the accounts in this business, the report had better be re-committed until they were examined, as the two gentlemen of the committee of ways and means seemed to differ so widely.

It being past the usual hour of adjournment, a motion was made to adjourn, and carried, to the question on this point was not taken. Adjourned.

GAZETTE MARINE LIST.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA.

ARRIVED. DAYS. Ship America, Jacobs, Madras & Tran- quibar 152

BRIG WILLIAM, Lunt Newburyport 8 Sloop Mary, Gamble Havannah 23

CLEARED. Slip John, M'Neil Surinam Aurora, Suler Jeremie

Snow William, Lord Edenton & Lisbon Big Eagle, Shields, Laguira

Scur. Neptune, Waters Aux-Cayes Little-Will, Watton New-Orleans

Polly, Tice Alexandria Sloop Eagle, Earle Norfolk

Harlequin, Broad New-York The brig Franklin, Morris, of Wilmington, Delaware—brig Sally, Hampton, of this port, both from New-York & St. Bartholomew, and the sloop Sally, Stotsbury from hence to St. Thomas, are taken by the French, and carried into St. Martins.

New-York, March 26. ARRIVED. DAYS. Schr. Huntress, Fitch, Savannah

Clarissa, do. Norfolk Antelope, M'Dowell, do.

Sloop Dove, Crosby, St. Bartholomew 20 Camella, Clark, Norfolk

Rambler, Sturges, Georgetown Brig Commerce, DeLancey, N. Bedford

Mary, Hickman, St. Thomas Schr. Fame, do. Richmond

Mary, Robinson, Norfolk Sloop Rache, Beckle, Gonaves

Nancy, D Smith, Georgetown By the slip on Dove, capt. M'Combs, 20 days from St. Martin's. Vessels carried in there by the French.

Brigs Anthony, of and from New-York; Franklin, of Wilmington from New-York; Vulture, of and from Salem—for trial.

Sally, of and from Norfolk, cleared. And a sloop from Philadelphia, condemned.

Baltimore, March 22. Yesterday arrived schooner Experiment, capt. Knapp, 20 days from the Havana; to captain James Stewart's marine list, the following list of vessels was sent by his correspondent in the Havana.

List of American vessels lying at the port of Havana, February 7, 1798. Ship George & Patty Washington, Stockett, Baltimore

Flora, Allen, Providence, R. I. Rebecca, Tiers, do.

Hope, Corrie, do. Edward, Bowler, do.

George, William Smith, do. Diana, Duplex, New-York

Citizen, Hubbell, do. Planter, Hudson, Charleston

Harry, Armstrong, Philadelphia Portsmouth, Monck, do.

Abigail, Wood, Rhode-Island Hope, Howland, do.

Barque Effel, Henderson, Salem Galen, Mack, do.

Snow Dove, Munro, Bristol, R. I. Sally, Snell, do.

Brig Enterprize, Mallony, New-York Aurora, Reynolds, do.

Little-George, Griffiths, do. Dispatch, Henhaw, do.

Harriot, Edwards, Baltimore Orion, do. Dighton, R. I.

Bristol, Smith, Bristol, R. I. Storack, Bradford, do.

Harmony, Clark, Charleston Hannah, Peywood, do.

Fame, Howard, do. Lavinia, Stone, Newburyport

Enterprize, Hofmer, Salem Hind, Fairfield, do.

Columbia, Edden, Warren, R. I. Clinton, Champlin, do.

Eliza, Champlin, do. Brown, Newport, R. I.

Peggy, Small, Bolton Polly, Barry, do.

Schr. Flying-Squirrel, Bush, Norfolk Hunter, Kirby, Baltimore

Lydia, Fearson, do. Olive, Sheffield, Brookhaven

Vengeance, Thomas, New-York Harriot, Roberts, Charleston

Blackney, Norris, Bristol, R. I. Neptune, Potts, Rhode-Island

Polly, Shillaber, Salem Joa, Thompson, Bolton

Sloop Harriot, Carr, Warren, R. I. Harwich Packet, Driggs, Barnstable

Sally, Anthony, Providence, R. I. Friendship, Briggs, E.Greenwich, do.

Mr. Stewart, may correctly enter on his marine list, the above vessels, which are not one half the number—I shall send you all the arrivals after this date by the next conveyance.

GINSENG, SAMUEL HOWELL, NO. 54, CHESTNUT STREET.

Wants to purchase good GINSENG, gathered in season, and clear of damage—for which a generous price will be given if delivered any time before the 15th of April. march 21 10t

TO RENT, A good three story House,

TWO rooms on each floor, with a convenient Kitchen—in Front, near South-street.—Enquire of the Printer. march 3—3w3w



By Authority

BY THE President of the United States of America, A PROCLAMATION.

AS the safety and prosperity of nations ultimately and essentially depend on the protection and the blessing of Almighty God; and the national acknowledgment of this truth is not only an indispensable duty which the people owe to him, but a duty whose natural influence is favorable to the promotion of that Morality and Piety, without which social Happiness cannot exist nor the Blessings of a Free Government be enjoyed; and as this Duty, at all times incumbent, is especially in seasons of Difficulty or of Danger, when existing or threatening Calamities, the just Judgments of God against prevalent Iniquity, are a loud call to Repentance and Reformation: And as the United States of America are, at present, placed in a hazardous and afflictive situation, by the unfriendly Disposition, Conduct and Demands of a foreign power, evinced by repeated refusals to receive our Messengers of Reconciliation and Peace, by Depredations on our Commerce, and the Infliction of Injuries on very many of our Fellow-Citizens, while engaged in their lawful business on the Seas:—Under these considerations it has appeared to me that the Duty of imploring the Mercy and Benediction of Heaven on our Country demands, at this time, a special attention from its Inhabitants.

I HAVE therefore thought fit to recommend, and I do hereby recommend, that Wednesday the Ninth Day of May next be observed throughout the United States, as a day of Solemn Humiliation, Fasting, and Prayer; That the Citizens of these States, abstaining on that Day from their customary Worldly Occupations, offer their devout Addresses to the Father of Mercies, agreeably to those forms or methods which they have severally adopted as the most suitable and becoming: That all Religious Congregations do, with the deepest Humility, acknowledge before God the manifold Sins and Transgressions with which we are justly chargeable as Individuals and as a Nation; beseeching him, at the same time, of his infinite Grace, through the Redeemer of the World, freely to remit all our Offences, and to incline us, by his Holy Spirit, to that sincere Repentance and Reformation which may afford us reason to hope for his inestimable Favour and Heavenly Benediction: That it be made the subject of particular and earnest supplication, that our Country may be protected from all the dangers which threaten it; that our Civil and Religious pri- vileges may be preserved inviolate and perpetuated to the latest Generations; that our public Councils and Magistrates may be especially enlightened & directed at this critical period; that the American People may be united in those Bonds of Amity and mutual Confidence, and inspired with that Vigor and Fortitude by which they have in times past been so highly distinguished, and by which they have obtained such invaluable Advantages: That the Health of the Inhabitants of our Land may be preserved, and their Agriculture, Commerce, Fisheries, Arts, and Manufactures be blessed and prospered; that the principles of Genuine Piety and Sound Morality may influence the Minds and govern the Lives of every description of our Citizens; and that the Blessings of Peace, Freedom, and Pure Religion, may be speedily extended to all the Nations of the Earth.

And finally I recommend, that on the said day, the Duties of Humiliation and Prayer be accompanied by fervent Thanksgiving to the Bestower of every Good Gift, not only for having hitherto protected and preserved the People of these United States in the independent Enjoyment of their Religious and Civil Freedom, but also for having prospered them in a wonderful progress of Population, and for conferring on them many and great Favours conducive to the Happiness and Prosperity of a Nation.

GIVEN under my Hand and the Seal of the United States of America, at Philadelphia, this twenty third day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, and of the Independence of the said States the twenty-second.

JOHN ADAMS. By the President, TIMOTHY PICKERING Secretary of State.

By this day's Mail.

NEW-YORK, March 26. On Saturday morning came on and continued through the day, one of the most tremendous gulls from the East, ever remembered here; which has done considerable damage to the shipping in the harbor, as well as houses in the suburbs.

Several small vessels dragged their anchors and went on shore—and we are informed several unfinished houses in the suburbs were blown down—and others had their roofs taken off.

It is reasonably conjectured that much damage is done to vessels on our coast—a schr. is said to have gone ashore on Staten-Island below the Narrows.

DIED—On Saturday morning, very suddenly of the Lock Jaw, having run a nail in his foot a few days before, captain

John Stokes, of this city. Capt. Stokes was a brave soldier in the late American army, & had ever adhered to the glorious principles of the American revolution. The last obsequies of this soldier and patriot were last evening performed in solemn military splendor, generally attended by members of the Cincinnati, Mafons, and other citizens forming a more numerous procession than has been witnessed in this city for many years.

BOSTON, March 20. A letter from Gloucester with advice of the late arrival from France, adds, the captain assures me, that previous to sailing he saw a letter from Mr. Mountflorenc, who is employed on certain American affairs at Paris, stating, that the Executive Directory had, by message, applied to the Council of Five Hundred for a Decree to subject to capture all American vessels whose papers should be found with the signature of the present President of the United States.—The captain above mentioned, is a man of veracity & intelligence. The news does not surpass belief. If the French ever declare war against us it will be in some such base sneaking way, making a distinction between the government and the people. Divide and destroy is their rule. The veil of hypocrisy and cunning is easily penetrated by enlightened Americans, and they discover in an instant, the vile unmanly designs which lurk beneath.

The British still contemplate the bombardment of Cadiz. The moderate weather alone is waited for.

A report was current that the Moors and Algerines were at war.

Four or five American vessels lately at Alicante, have gone from thence to Algiers, for a convoy out of the Straights, having received the promise of such protection.—What a changeable world! Those who were recently the plunderers of our property and the enslavers of our citizens are now their protectors, against the ravages and insults of those who were then our sworn friends, and who still have treaties with us made in the name of the Holy Trinity!

Capt. Bals from the West Indies, informs of the capture of the French corvette Scipio of 26 guns: by the British frigate Lapping, of 32 guns. She was going from Point Petre to Basterre. (Gua.) The English frigate got sight of her, chased her into the harbour, engaged and took her under a fort which was firing during the whole of the transaction.

Last evening arrived sch. John, Dagget, 6 days from Philadelphia. Came out of the Vineyard on Friday in company with 15 sail of vessels, among whom was captain Toby, from Carolina, one brig, and several two-sail schooners, unknown. Saw a Danish ship on shore at Cape Cod. She was bound to Philadelphia.

NORFOLK, March 17. Extract of a letter to a respectable gentleman in this town, dated St. Bartholomew, February 6, 1798.

Your favours of the 16th July and 12th August are now before me, and note the contents. I am now to acquaint you for your information, and others concerned, that his majesty the King of Sweden, has ordered that the brig Polly, and her cargo shall be delivered up to the French captors, so that all those concerned have an opportunity now of proceeding as they think proper. Times very dull here, and a great stagnation to trade.

BALTIMORE, March 24. Arrived this day brig Enterprize, capt. Eddy, 25 days from Point Petre (Guadaloupe) last from St. Kitts, 20 days, into which latter place he was carried, detained five days, and liberated.

By capt. E. we have received the following list of condemnations at Guadaloupe—Ship Friendship, do. Baltimore

Brig —, English, New-Haven Friendship, Oats, South-Carolina

Fell's-Point, Cteighton, Baltimore Fair American, do. Wilmington (N. C.)

Endeavor, do. New-Haven Schr. Betty, do. Philadelphia

Peggy, do. Cherry-Isle And five others, names not recollecte.

The brig Eleanor, of Baltimore, bound from Point-Petre to St. Thomas's, was taken by a British ship of war about the 15th ultimo. carried into Dominique and cleared; afterwards, proceeding on her voyage, was taken off Basterre, by a French privateer, captain and supercargo taken on board the pirate, and the vessel sent to leeward, unknown where.

Captain Cahoon of Baltimore, is the prize schooner Columbia, bought at Point Petre, is taken by the British, carried into Dominique and libelled.

Captain Easton, of another prize schooner, bought at same place, is also taken into the same port and libelled.

CHARLESTON, March 13. Yesterday arrived the brig Aurora, captain Woodman, from Bourdeaux—The Aurora left Bourdeaux the 22d of January, and the river the 23d, as it was expected another embargo would be laid on.

The verbal information by this vessel does not confirm prior accounts of commotions and dissensions in Paris.

The talked of Invasion of England was still pursued, and vessels of all descriptions were placed in requisition for the purpose.

The report of the day in Bourdeaux was that England was declared in a state of blockade; that Buonaparte's brother, the French minister at Rome, had been assassinated; that general Berthier had marched with his army to that city, and that the pope had fled.

Several letters of the 12th and 14th of January mention, that captain Pratt of the ship Federalist, had gone to Bayonne, to attend the trial of his ship; that from the

clearness of his papers, and the cargo being American, they expected the would be cleared. Captain W. says that two days before he sailed, accounts of her condemnation were received.

The brig Jason, West, of Salem, and schooner —, White, of New-York failed in company with the Aurora for this port.

The ship Diana, —, failed for New-York the same day.

The ship Eliza, Baas, was to sail the last of January or early in February for this port.

Letters were received by the Aurora, from general Pinckney, but we have not heard their dates nor contents.

The following note was made by a gentleman who came passenger in the Aurora Yerdin Roa, 22d January, 1798.

Captain Woodman, of the Aurora, and captain West, of the Salem, being on shore this day at Rayan, dined with captain Gavellantum, commanding a Squadron on this station, who informed him that he had just received his orders to conformably to the principles expressed in the message of the executive directory, respecting neutral vessels.

The Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY EVENING, March 27.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Boston to his friend in Philadelphia, dated March 16, 1798.

We have accounts from France, which confirm the new decree of the French, to take all neutral vessels with British goods. They have besides declared England and Ireland to be in a state of blockade (they should have added, by their own ships) and forbidden all neutrals from trading with them.

In an article published in yesterday's Gazette it was said that there is not one officer whose conduct in the late war will bear scrutiny, who is to be found among "the base hireling crew of calumniating Jacobins."

Callender, in the Aurora of this morning, has printed the above assertion, and immediately under it the following: "Looking into Congress we find many respectable military characters opposed to the present plan of war, such as general Smith of Baltimore, colonel Parker of Virginia, gen. M'Dowell and col. Gillespie, of North Carolina. It is needless to multiply farther examples."

Has Callender the audacity to insinuate that either of the above gentlemen are Jacobins? Or is it "a precious confession" of his employer Bache?

A JACOBIN SECRET.

Mr. Fenno says, "it may be boldly proclaimed that not an officer of the least credit or respectability, or whose conduct during the revolutionary struggle will bear scrutiny, is now to be found among the base hireling crew of calumniating Jacobins."—Jacobin Beach in reply to this, declares that he finds many, and enumerates general Smith of Baltimore, Col. Parker of Virginia, general M'Dowell of N. Carolina, and col. Gillespie.—Who ever suspected, or would have known this if it had not been blabbed out by some Jacobin? A precious confession!!!

Schuylkill permanent Bridge.

THE subscribers Commissioners appointed by an act of assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled "An act to authorize the Governor of this Commonwealth to incorporate a company for erecting a permanent bridge over the river Schuylkill, at or near the city of Philadelphia," hereby give notice, that Books are provided as the law directs; and that we will proceed to receive subscriptions for the Company Stock, on the ninth day of April next, at the City Hall, in the city of Philadelphia. The subscriptions will be received from ten o'clock in the morning till two o'clock, P. M. of that day; and the books will continue open during those hours of succeeding days, until the number, required by the said law to enable the Commissioners to certify the same to the Governor for incorporating the Stockholders, be subscribed.

RICHARD PETERS, JOHN PEROT, GODFREY HAGA, MATTHEW M'CONNEL, WILLIAM SHEAFF.

Philadelphia, 19th March, 1798. 27—3awif

A House and Lot in Dover.

FOR SALE. A LOT OF GROUND, situate on the east side of the main street running through the town of Dover, in Kent county, in the State of Delaware, about thirty or forty yards from Captain Furber's Tavern, containing in front on said street thirty four feet, and extending in depth eastward twelve perches, together with the buildings thereon erected, which consist of a good brick house, two stories high, well finished, with two rooms about seventeen or eighteen feet square each, and a passage eight or ten feet wide on the first floor; three rooms with a passage above, and good garrets, the cellars are excellent, one of which is used as a kitchen; a back brick building with two rooms above and below about ten or twelve feet by four; ten; the upper rooms of this building communicate above stairs with the passage of the house. A brick smoke house, and a good pump of water in the yard, and a garden adjoining.

The House is in every respect as comfortable as any in Dover, is in a good situation, and now occupied by John Freeman, as a tavern, with the sign of the Eagle.

The terms will be reasonable. Apply to Daniel Millin, at Camden, near Dover, or to the subscriber, No 62, North Eleventh Street, Philadelphia. CADWALADER EVANS.

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Subscription Ball.

MR. FRANKIS respectfully informs the subscribers, that the subscription being finished, he gives his EXTRA BALL, on Tuesday the 2d April, at which he requests the favor of the company of those gentlemen whose names are on the list of the first and second subscription.

Ladies Tickets to be had by applying to Mr. F. No. 7, North Eighth Street.

Non-Subscription Tickets at one dollar each. march 16.

NEW-THEATRE.

Mr. BARNARD'S Night.

TO-MORROW EVENING, March 28, Will be presented, a Musical Entertainment called THE ADOPTED CHILD.

End of the first piece, Will be presented, a celebrated Tragedy (of two acts) called THE PRODIGAL; Or, FATAL EXTRAVAGANCE.

(As performed in London, the two last seasons, with unbounded applause.) Behmour (the Prodigal) Mr. Fennell—Courtney, Mr. Wignell—Bargrave, Mr. Fox Louisa, Mr. Merry.

Between the acts of the Tragedy, A DRAMATIC VISION; Or, the Court of Thespis. By Mr. Barnard.

After which will be performed a new Pastoral Opera, composed by Mr. Byrne, called THE GENEROUS LARK; Or, A Scene in the West-Indies.

Galleon, (with a Hornpipe in character) Mr. Francis—The other principal characters by Mr. Byrne, Mr. Warrell, Jim, Mr. F. Warrell, &c. To which will be added, a Musical Entertainment, called

THE AMERICAN IN LONDON, Freedom (the American) Mr. Warren—Famle, Mr. Fox—Brubi, Mr. Garwood—St. Servant, Mr. Jeffery—Barney Boar, Mr. Barnard.

Mrs. Manners, Mrs. Warrell—Mrs. Prattle, Mrs. Oldmixon—Mrs. Freedom, Mrs. L'Etirage—Mrs. Mrs. Marshall.

Tickets to be had at the usual places, and of Mr. Barnard, corner of Seventh and Chestnut-Street.

On Friday (not acted these three years) the celebrated Tragedy, called THE MANSFOTHER—with a Comedy, in two acts, (never performed here) called THE HONEST THEVENS; Or, FAITHFUL BISHOPMEN—For the Benefit of Mr. MORRISON.

Mr. FENNEL'S Night will be on Monday next.

Treasury Department.

March 19, 1798. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN,

That proposals will be received at the Office of the Secretary of the Treasury until the expiration of the 15th day of July next ensuing, for the supply of all rations which may be required for the use of the United States, from the first day of October 1798, to the thirtieth day of September 1799, both days inclusive, at the places and within the district hereafter mentioned, viz. At Oswego & at Niagara; at Presque Isle; at Michilimackinac; at Fort Franklin; at Perthburgh; at Le Boeuf; at Cincinnati; at Greenville; at Piquette Town; and Lorainie's store; at Fort Wayne; at Fort Defiance; at any place below Fort Defiance on the Miami River to Lake Erie; at Fort Knox and Quantan on the River Wabash; at Maffac; at any place or places on the east side of the River Mississippi above the mouth of the River Ohio, and upon the Illinois River; at any place or places on the east side of the Mississippi River below the mouth of the River Ohio to the fourth boundary of the State of Kentucky, and within the said State; at Knoxville, Tellico Block House, and at all other Posts in the State of Tennessee; at any place or places on the east side of the River Mississippi, below the southern boundary of the State of Tennessee; the southern boundary of the United States.

If supplies shall be required for any posts or places not mentioned in this notice, all such supplies shall be furnished at prices proportioned to those in the posts before recited, as may be agreed on between the United States and the contractor.

The rations to be supplied to consist of the following articles, viz.

One pound of bread or flour One pound of beef or twelve ounces of pork or bacon Half a gill of rum, brandy or whif

per hundred rations by, one quart of Salt two quarts of vinegar, two pounds of soap, one pound of candles

The rations are to be furnished in such quantities, as the contractor shall at times during the said term, be sufficient for the consumption of the troops at Michilimackinac, Detroit, Niagara, and Oswego, for the term of six months in advance, and at each of the other posts, for the term of a least three months in advance, in good and wholesome provisions, if the same shall be required. It is to be understood, that the contractor is to be at the expense and risk of issuing the supplies to the troops at each post, and that all losses sustained by the depredations of an enemy, or by means of the troops of the United States, shall be paid for at the price of the articles captured or destroyed, on the depositions of two or more persons of creditable characters, and the certificate of a commissioned officer, ascertaining the circumstances of the loss and the amount of the articles for which compensation shall be claimed.

The privilege is reserved to the United States of requiring that none of the supplies which may be furnished under the proposed contract, shall be issued, until the supplies which have or may be furnished under the contract now in force have been consumed.

OLIVER WOLCOTT, Secretary of the Treasury.

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IMPORTED, In the Brig BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, from Bourdeaux,

AND FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBER, Claret in casks White wine in half casks Sweet oil of a superior quality in boxes and baskets Lunelle Sauterne Macarty, and Medoc Wines in Cases.

Thomas Murgatroyd, No. 11, Walnut Street. WHO HAS ON HAND,

Bourdeaux Brandy in pipes Intitled to Medoc, and Sauterne Wines in cases draw back Sherry wine in pipes and quarter casks Rota Pimento in bags Two trunks of Umbrellas, and About 4000 bushels Liverpool Salt. march 19 mw&tf

Forgeries Committed.

WHEREAS several forgeries have been committed in this city by one or two persons known by the names of Dr. Grant, alias Smith, alias Gilbert, Grant generally wore a green coat, tall in person, and genteel, had lost one or two teeth in front; lodged, about July, 1796, at Mr. Grimes's tavern, at the George, in North Second-street; his friends live in New-England; supposed to have committed several forgeries in New-York, and said to be confined at the wheel-barrow at Baltimore for stealing watches. The other is a short, thick man, by the name of Gilbert, known by Mr. Grimes and Mr. Bignall, and several other persons in this city. Information given by any person of the above men, to WM. PRESTMAN, No. 12, South Fifth-street, will be attended a favor.—Gilbert is between 20 and 30 years old; yellow, sickly look. march 17. 3aw3w