

The Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA,

TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 15.

PRICES OF STOCKS.

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes items like Six Per Cent, Three Per Cent, Bank of Pennsylvania, etc.

COURSE OF EXCHANGE

Table with 2 columns: Location and Exchange Rate. Includes London, Amsterdam, etc.

Extract of a letter from New-York, dated January 11, 1799.

I am happy to hear the electors of directors for the bank of the United States have confined their choice as much as possible to American born or old landing citizens.

With such advantages, aided by our bank accommodations, the small capitals of our own merchants are rendered insignificant and almost useless.

A voyage to China or India was formerly and is now undertaken by the united exertions and united capitals of our own citizens.

In this city and perhaps in yours, foreigners are daily arriving—before the late act of naturalization they soon acquired citizenship.

I have heard instances of some houses being so secure from British capture as to encourage applications from Spaniards or their agents to cover their property.

Governor RUTLEDGE'S Speech.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 19.

Legislature of South-Carolina.

His excellency Edward Rutledge, Esq. the governor elect, was this day introduced into the hall of the House of Representatives.

Mr. President and gentlemen of the Senate—Mr. Speaker and gentlemen of the House of Representatives:

I ACCEPT, with profound respect, the honor which you have been pleased to confer upon me, by an election to the Chief Magistracy of the state; and I shall endeavor, by a faithful discharge of my duty, to preserve through the course of my administration your confidence and esteem.

In yielding to your wishes, my fellow citizens, I have not listened to the voice of ambition; nor do I feel myself actuated by any other consideration, than that of a desire to contribute my portion of service, slender as it may be, to preserve sacred and entire the union and independence of our country.

In taking a candid and dispassionate review of the affairs of the United States, it is impossible not to observe that we are advancing by rapid strides, to a most important crisis—a crisis, which we must all now acknowledge cannot be averted by the integrity of our conduct, the wisdom of our councils, or the moderation of our demands.

After a long and fair experiment of the efficacy of moderation and justice towards preferring peace, America has found herself deceived in her hopes, and baffled in her attempts.

The rulers of France are well read in the history of Mankind; they know that to conquer a brave nation, it is first necessary to divide it; and they have founded their hopes of success on the division of our fellow citizens.

Firmly determined to resist with united efforts all the attempts which shall be made on the independence of our country, it becomes necessary to provide such means of defence as shall be fully commensurate with the efforts of our enemies.

The provisions made by the militia act, for arming the militia of the state, have not produced the beneficial effects which were intended.

This then is the time to avail ourselves, of the opportunity which is presented to us, and which, if it be suffered to pass by neglected, we may have serious cause to regret.

It will be necessary also, as an object of preparation, to raise a fund for the establishment of magazines of provisions, in the event of their being required by future occurrences.

I have now, my fellow-citizens, submitted to your patriotism and wisdom, such measures as I have thought necessary, for the defence of our country.

Insurance Company of North America.

A MEETING of the Stock-holders is to be held at their office on Thursday next, at 11 o'clock, A. M. agreeably to adjournment.

Eben. Hazard, sec'y.

Insurance Company of North America.

THE Directors have this day declared a dividend of two dollars on each share of the Stock of this Company for the last six months; which will be paid to the Stock holders, or their legal representatives, at any time after the 24th instant.

EBEN HAZARD, Sec'y. W & Fc 24.

Legislature of Pennsylvania.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11.

Robbery of Bank of Pennsylvania.

The committee to whom was referred that part of the governor's address which relates to the robbery of the Bank of Pennsylvania, together with his communications on that subject, report the following detail of facts.

That on the night of the 24th August last, some villains entered the Banking house in Lodge alley, and made an unsuccessful attack to force open the doors of the cash-vault, and to pick the lock of an iron chest used by the second teller; but the institution sustained no loss; and as it was apprehended that the attempt would be renewed, and considering the insecurity of the building, and the impossibility of making such repairs to it as would render it safe to trust the property any longer, the porters were armed, and directed to sleep in the Banking house, in order to guard against the success of future attempts.

Two days previous to the late robbery, Nathaniel Porter one of the porters, who is since dead, was seized with the yellow fever, and no confidential person could be procured to supply his place in the Bank.

The loss which the institution had sustained, was ascertained to consist in bank notes and gold, which were taken out of the cash vault, the amount in one hundred and sixty two thousand eight hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixty-one cents.

Measures were then taken for the farther security of the bank, and employing several persons to search after suspicious persons; a meeting of as many of the directors as were in the vicinity of the city, was called; and the particulars of the loss and the steps taken in consequence of it, was communicated to them.

Every exertion was made by the officers and director of the bank, to discover the perpetrators of this flagrant robbery.

After much painful anxiety, and unceasing vigilance on the part of the officers of the bank; they had the satisfaction to discover the perpetrator of this daring robbery, so that the whole amount of the property stolen has been recovered, except about three thousand two hundred dollars.

One Isaac Davis, a carpenter by trade, had an account open in this bank; and the first circumstance which excited the suspicion of the President and Cashier against him, was a deposit of 1,600 dollars.

thought proper to inquire at the banks of the United States and of North America, whether he had accounts open with those institutions; and on Monday morning such information was obtained, as left no doubt that he was the robber.

The disclosures he made, criminated only Thomas Cunningham, the late porter, and himself, for he repeatedly declared that they alone were concerned in the robbery.

Davis declared that the plan of the robbery originated with Cunningham, who procured the false keys, and that he does not know who made them.

Your committee have further to add to this lengthy detail, that in order to secure the balance of the money stolen, the cashier, on the 21st of November, inclosed a bond warrant of attorney, to I. Davis, drawn in favor of the President, Directors, and Company of the bank, for the sum of three thousand dollars, requesting him to execute the same.

The committee are of opinion that the President and Cashier of the Bank of Pennsylvania; for their care, vigilance, and exertions in detecting the robber, and recovering the money stolen from the said Bank, deserve the highest commendation.

Canal Stockholders.

AN adjourned meeting of the STOCKHOLDERS, of the DELAWARE and SCHUYLKILL and the SCHUYLKILL and SUSQUEHANNAH Canal Navigations, will be held at the Canal Office to-morrow evening (Wednesday) at 6 o'clock.

This day Published,

AND FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE, The ESSAYS under the Signature of VIRGINIENSIS, ON THE ALIEN AND SEDITION LAWS.

(Price 25 cents, 12mo.)

IT is perhaps futile to expect to work conviction in the minds of so inveterate and vicious a class of men, as the Democrats of America, by any arguments however forcible, or any display of truth, however irresistible.

A smart NEGRO LAD,

HE is about sixteen years of age, has between seven and eight years to serve—is honest and handy about household work—enquire at this office Jan. 15.

By Authority.

NAVY APPOINTMENTS.

Officers for the Ship PORTSMOUTH.

Table listing officers for the ship Portsmouth, including Richard Saltar Tibbits, George R. Turner, Johna Gee Symmes, etc.

James Middleton, 2d Lieutenant of Marines.

Table listing other naval appointments, including Thomas Wharton, George Washington Reed, Jeremiah Sullivan, etc.

John Squire, 1st mate of the Revenue Cutter JAX.

John Wade, 2d mate of do.

Adolph C. Lent, Surgeon's mate of do.

George Byrne, 1st mate for the Cutter GENERAL GREENE.

John Mariner, 2d do.

John S. Oliver, 3d do.

Killeare H. Van Rensselaer, lieutenant in [the navy].

A REPORT,

Read in the SENATE of the COMMONWEALTH of PENNSYLVANIA, on Saturday, the 12th of January, 1799.

THE committee to whom were referred the several memorials of the Select and Common Councils of the city of Philadelphia, of the Board of Managers of the Marine and City Hospitals, of the President, Managers and Company of the Delaware and Schuylkill Canal Navigation, and the petition of a number of the Citizens of Philadelphia, on the subject of watering the said city.—Report,

That a plentiful supply of wholesome water has become absolutely necessary to the prosperity, and, perhaps, to the existence, of Philadelphia.

Your committee apprehend a completion of the Delaware and Schuylkill Canal will effectually answer this valuable end, and are happy to find, that great progress has already been made in that work, on a plan more extensive than is necessary for the mere purposes of navigation, with an express view to supplying an abundance of pure and wholesome water to the inhabitants of our metropolis.

Although the undertaking has been considerably retarded, by a want of adequate funds, your committee are induced to believe, that it may be speedily perfected if the state, becoming partakers of the stock, revive that confidence in the undertaking, which has been wanting, to induce the stockholders to complete their shares, by paying the different sums called for by the managers.

Your committee entertain little doubt, that, in addition to the many advantages resulting to the city of Philadelphia, and its vicinity, from the immediate operation of the canal, the state will, ere long, derive from their property invested in it, a profit considerably exceeding the rate of interest established by law.

The committee, therefore, offer the following resolutions, viz.

First, That three Commissioners be appointed, on the part of this commonwealth, to raise on loan, on the credit of the house intended for the President of the United States, and the duty on auctions, a sum sufficient to purchase one thousand shares of stock in the Delaware and Schuylkill Canal.

Second, That the said Commissioners, as soon as they have effected the said loan, shall purchase, at a price not exceeding two hundred dollars for each share, one thousand shares of stock in the Delaware and Schuylkill Canal.

Third, That, on the application of the stockholders of the Delaware and Schuylkill Canal for an alteration of their charter, to enable the state to appoint Managers of the said Canal Navigation, a committee be appointed to bring in a bill, on the principles contained in the foregoing resolutions.

Your committee apprehend, that many advantages would result to the city of Philadelphia from investing its corporation with a power of raising money by tax, for other purposes of public improvement than those to which their authority on this subject is now restricted.

They, therefore, offer the following resolutions, viz.

First, That the corporation of the city of Philadelphia be authorized to raise, on the taxable property within the city, a sum not exceeding dollars in any one year, to be applied to such public improvements as they may direct.

Second, That, in case of any sudden exigence which shall require such a measure, the corporation may raise money by pledging one half the amount of the said tax for any period not exceeding seven years.

Third, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill on the principles contained in the foregoing resolutions.

At an Election held on Monday last, by the German Reformed Congregation in this city, the Rev. Mr. SAMUEL HELPENSTEIN was elected, by a great majority, Pastor of the said Congregation, in the room of the Rev. Dr. HENDEL, lately deceased.

DIED—this morning, Mr. GODFREY RICHTER, Printer, aged 73. His funeral will be to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, from his late dwelling in Goddard's alley, between Second-street and Cable-lane.