

Foreign Intelligence.

NEW YORK, December 18.

Postscript to the Mercantile Advertiser.

Latest from Holland.

The ship Rising Sun, Captain Thompson, arrived at this port last evening from Cork, in 52 days. Through the politeness of the Captain, who favored the Editor with a Dublin paper of the 19th October, (containing London dates to the Fifteenth) the Mercantile Advertiser will, this morning, publish later intelligence from the armies in Holland, than has yet been received in America. Besides the following letter, and the London paragraphs which succeed them, we have a long letter from the Duke of York dated at Alkmaar the 6th of October, containing a minute detail of the action of the 4th—the publication of which is necessarily postponed until to-morrow, from the pressure of other foreign matter which had been previously prepared.

Head quarters, Alkmaar Oct. 7.

Sir,

THE enemy, after the action of the 2d, having taken up the position between Beverwyck and Wyck-op-Zee, I determined to endeavor to force him thence before he had an opportunity of strengthening by works, the short and very defensible line which he occupied, and to oblige him still further to retire before he could be joined by the reinforcements, which I had information were upon the march.

Preparatory, therefore, to a general forward movement, I ordered the advanced posts which the army took up on the 3d instant, in front of this place, of Egmont-op-Hoof and Egmont-op-Zee, to be pushed forward, which operation took place yesterday morning. At first little opposition was shown, and we succeeded in taking possession of the villages of Schermerhorn, Acher Slot, Limmen, Buccum, and of a position on the sand hills near Wick-op-Zee: The column of Russian troops under the command of Major General D'Essen, in endeavoring to gain a height in front of their intended advanced post at Buccum, (which was material to the security of that point) was vigorously opposed, and afterwards attacked by a strong body of the enemy, which obliged Gen. Sir R. Abercromby to move up in support with the reserve of his corps.

The enemy on their part advanced their whole force; the action became general along the whole line from Limmen to the sea, and was maintained with great obstinacy on both sides until night, when the enemy retired, leaving us masters of the field of battle. The conflict has, I am concerned to state, been as severe, and has been attended with as serious a loss (in proportion to the numbers engaged) as any of those which have been fought by the brave troops composing this army since their arrival in Holland. The gallantry they displayed, and the perseverance with which they supported the fatigues of this day, rival their former exertions.

The corps engaged were, Major gen. D'Oyley's brigade of guards, Major gen. Buriard's ditto, Major gen. earl of Chatham's brigade, Major gen. Coote's ditto, Major gen. the earl of Cavan's brigade, commanded by major general Hutchinson. The reserve under the command of Col. McDonald.

Part of the 7th and 11th light dragoons, and seven battalions of Russians.

To general Sir Ralph Abercromby, and the other general officers in command of the brigades before mentioned, as also to Col. McDonald, my warmest acknowledgments are due, for their spirited and judicious exertions during this affair; nor ought I to omit the praise due to Colonel Clapham, commanding four companies of the 3d, and one of the Coldstream regiments of guards, who, by a spirited charge, drove two battalions of the enemy from the post of Acher Blout, making 200 prisoners: I have sincerely to regret, that in the course of the action major general Hutchinson received a musket shot wound in the thigh, which, however, is not serious.

I have not yet received any reports of the killed and wounded, but I am apprehensive that the number of British is not less than 500, and that the loss of the Russian troops as far as I can understand, amounts to 1200 men. I shall, as early as circumstances possibly admit, transmit particular returns.

The losses of the enemy upon this occasion has been very great; and, in addition to their killed and wounded, 500 prisoners fell into our hands.

I am, &c.

FREDERICK.

Rt. hon. Henry Dundas, &c. &c.

Headquarters, Sehagen Brug, October 9, '99.

I have already acquainted you with the result of the action of the 6th inst. which terminated successfully to the allied arms, and at the same time pointed out the necessity of the movement which produced this affair. From the prisoners taken upon the 6th inst. I learnt the certainty of the enemy having been reinforced since the action of the 2d by two demi-brigades, amounting to about 6000 infantry, and of their having strengthened the position of Beverwyck and fortified strongly in the rear of it, points which it would be still necessary to carry before Haarlem could be attacked.

It ought also to be stated, that the enemy had retired a large force upon Purmerend, in an almost inaccessible position, covered by an inundated country, and the débouches from which were strongly fortified, and in the hands of the enemy; and further, that as our army advanced, this corps was placed in our rear.

But such obstacles would have been overcome, had not the state of the weather, the ruined condition of the roads, and total want of the necessary supplies arising from the above causes, presented difficulties which required the most serious consideration. Having maturely weighed the circumstances in which the army was thus placed, and having felt it my duty on a point of so much importance to consult with General Sir R. Abercromby and the Lieutenant Generals of this army, I could not but consider, and their opinion was unanimous on the occasion, that it would be for the benefit of the general cause to withdraw the troops from their advanced position, in order to wait his Majesty's further instructions. I must request you will again represent to his Majesty the distinguished conduct of his army, which, whilst acting under the pressure of uncommon difficulties, never for a moment ceased to be actuated by the noblest feelings for the success of the public cause, and honor of the British arms.

As there are many points resulting from our present situation upon which you may require particular information, and such details as cannot be brought within the compass of a letter, I have thought it necessary to charge my Secretary Col. Brownrigg with this dispatch, who will be able to explain fully all matters relating to this army. I transmit a return of killed, wounded and missing, of his Majesty's and the Russian troops in the action of the 6th inst.—I most heartily lament that it has again been so serious, and that so many brave and valuable men have fallen.

I am your's &c.

The Archduke Joseph, having under him Gen. Kray, has taken the command of the Austrian army, to which henceforth is entrusted the defence of Italy re-conquered.—Nothing very important had taken place there at the date of the most recent dispatches, which is the 22d of September. The French had taken possession of Novi, but were repulsed from it with loss: they were treated in the same manner near Suza, whence they have been driven.

The Spanish minister has completed his degradation and infamy, by causing the French royalists who had taken refuge in Spain, to be arrested and delivered up to the republican Councils. Letters from India of the 17th and 21st of May, express a strong belief that the attack upon Manila would speedily occupy our forces. The Queen's Bays, the 34th, 46th, and 62d of Foot, are under orders for Holland; they are all to be perfected to their full complement from the Militia Volunteers.

October 15. The Inspector (loop of war, commanded by Capt. Lock, arrived yesterday afternoon in Yarmouth Roads from the Texel, whence she sailed on Saturday afternoon. This vessel brings accounts that there had been skirmishing every day between our troops and the enemy, and that a kind of general action took place on Thursday last all along the line, in which the enemy were repulsed. Strong entrenchments, we understand, were throwing up at Ryck-down, to cover it was supposed, the embarkation of our forces, whenever such a measure should be resolved on.

When the Inspector left the Helder, it was currently reported there, that 25,000 Prussians had entered Holland, but the immediate object of this movement had not been ascertained. A cabinet council was held yesterday for the purpose of coming to a determination on the question of evacuating Holland. Col. Brownrigg is tended to make known to them all the particulars of the situation of the allied armies, and the result was an order for their re-embarkation. The col. and Sir Charles Hamilton set out for Holland with the order and instructions; the guards and other troops under orders for that country were countermanded, and measures are immediately to be taken to procure more vessels for the return of the army. Hopes are entertained, that as the Helder is capable of being strongly fortified and as we have a number of gun boats to flank the embarkation, it will be effected with little loss. It is the only thing for which we have now to be anxious.

It is rumoured that the French, on re-entering Alkmaar, after the retreat of our troops, burned it to the ground, probably for having opened its gates to the allies.

CANAL OFFICE, November 28, 1799. Notice is hereby given, TO the Stockholders of the Delaware and Schuylkill, and Susquehanna and Schuylkill Canal Companies, that their annual Election will be held at the Companies Office, on Monday the 6th of January next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing one President, Twelve Managers and one Treasurer to each Company, for the ensuing year.

GEORGE WORRALL, Secretary. November 30, 1799. LANDING At Wilcock's wharf from the schr. Lively, capt. Godfrey, from Halifax, 325 Barrels } fine pickled Salmon 80 half Barrels } 25 Barrels do. Shad 11 do. do. Mackerel FOR SALE BY NICKLIN & GRIFFITH. N.B. There are some Goods on Freight on board the above schooner, the names of the consignees of which are not mentioned, they are requested to make immediate entry of the same, otherwise they will be sent to the custom house as the vessel must be discharged without loss of time. Dec. 16. dtf

WILLIAM COBBETT, HAVING (in order to avoid the disgrace of living under the Government of McKean) removed from Philadelphia to the City of New York, requests any one in Pennsylvania, who may have a demand against him, to deliver an account thereof to Mr. JOHN MORGAN, No. 3, South Front Street, Philadelphia, or to forward it by post to New York.

Public Notice, IS Hereby Given, that I have applied by petition to the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Cumberland county, for the benefit of the act of Assembly made for the relief of Insolvent Debtors, passed the fourth day of April, 1798, and the said Court have appointed the first Monday of January next at the Court House in the borough of Carlisle for a hearing of me and my creditors, at which time and place they may attend if they think proper.

ANDREW CULBERTSON. December 6. 2aw12.] FOR SALE, Or to be exchanged for a good Vessel, AN ELEGANT New Two Story Frame House, Twenty-seven feet front by thirty-four in depth, with a commodious piazza and kitchen, together with a coach house and stable, situate in the flourishing village of Frankford. The house, which may be entered the 1st of June next, will be finished in the neatest style with many conveniences, and will be well adapted to a large genteel family who may wish to reside in the country during the summer season. In exchange, it will be valued low, if a vessel offer that may be suitable. Further particulars will be made known by application to MOORE WHARTON, Dec. 11. dtot

INSURANCE COMPANY OF THE State of Pennsylvania. THE STOCKHOLDERS are hereby notified, that an Election will be held at the Company's Office, on Monday the 13th January next, at eleven o'clock, for Tobias Biddeford for the ensuing year. JAMES S. COX, President. December 16. dtR

CITY OF WASHINGTON. THE POSSESSORS OF OBLIGATIONS or CERTIFICATES signed by the fabricator, for undivided Shares or Lots on his purchase within the city of Washington, who have not yet applied for and received their Deeds, are hereby notified, that their several Titles will be duly completed to the order of those who in conformity with the terms of the said Certificates, do make the Payments in full thereof, either to Thomas M'Lean & Co. or to the Subscriber at Philadelphia, on or at any time before the 31st day of May next. Samuel Blodgett. December 17

Schuylkill Permanent Bridge. THE STOCKHOLDERS ARE hereby notified, that an Election for a President, twelve Directors and a Treasurer, will be held at their office, No. 23 North Fifth Street, on Monday the 6th day of January next, at 10 o'clock. JOHN DORSEY, Secretary pro tem. December 4, 1799. 2aw1E

MEDFORD AND WILLIS, Have received since their late Advertisement— 282 Crates Queens Ware, 200 Casks Nails, 6 Trunks Madras Pullicatts, 2 Casks Gloves, 1 Trunk Silk Hosiery, 1 Bale Superfine Broad Cloaths, 16 Bales White, Blue and Green, Kendall Cottons, 10 Bales Boocking Baize, ON HAND, 2 Bales Spotted and Green Rugs, 1 Trunk Scarlet Cardinals, 2 Bales Sail Canvas, 5 Trunks Gingham, 11 Tons Petersburg Hemp, Orders, remittances or communications for the following Houses, for whom Medford and Willis are agents, may still pass through their medium, viz. John and Robert Holt and Co.—Rockdale, William D. Dobs—Leicester, Claud Johnson—Birmingham. Enquire of JOHN DORSEY. December 10. 3aw8w.

LOGWOOD FOR SALE, On board the brigantine Five Sisters. Enquire of JOSEPH DONALDSON. November 27. 110f

FOR LONDON, THE SHIP ROEBUCK, Has the greater part of her cargo engaged, and will sail with all expedition. For freight or passage apply to THOMAS or JOHN CLIFFORD. Philadelphia, Dec. 13. eost

One hundred Pipes and quarter Casks Wine Vinegar, London Porter in Casks of 6 and 8 Doz. Brown Stout do. do. Spanish Segars in Boxes, Dried Peaches in Barrels, FOR SALE By BENJAMIN W. MORRIS, WHO HAS A Commodious Warehouse, In Pear Street, To let by the Month or Year. November 29. 12ctod

FOR SALE, And possession given the 31st of December, 1800, A Tract of most valuable Land, Situated in Maryland, About 18 miles from Baltimore, 7 from Annapolis, and 40 from the Federal City, on navigable water for vessels of almost any burthen. The soil is as good as any in the State. THERE is on the premises a convenient house for a tenant, with two rooms on a floor; a good corn house; stables for 12 or 15 horses; and a cow house, with as many stalls for cattle, on the best plan; all complete and in good repair. There is also on said plantation a new brick dairy, which, with a good flock, will produce from 40 to 60 lbs. butter per week; with a pump of excellent water at the door and a kitchen neatly built, with apartments for 12 hands. This tract contains from 900 to 1000 acres, more or less, and is well calculated for a grazing farm. Also, another seat within a few miles of Annapolis, with a large commodious two story brick house, with four rooms on a floor, and a well of excellent water at the door. This contains about 600 acres of good land, the most of it heavily timbered, of white oak, hickory and walnut.

The purchasers may be accommodated with stock of horses, cows and sheep, already on the place. The terms of sale is, for both or either of the foregoing places, one third cash, the other two thirds in six and twelve months, with bonds and good security. As the proprietor of these valuable lands (which is equally worth the attention of the gentleman or farmer) is about removing from the state, there will be a generous discount made for cash, and an indispensible title given. For further information enquire of the printer. N. B.—Goods suitable for the West-India market will be received in part pay. The advertiser has also a house and lot for sale in this city, for which goods will be received in pay, if speedily applied for.—Enquire as above. Also, a number of negro men, women, and children, for sale, or will be exchanged for goods. November 26. 2aw6t.

MARTIN BAUM, WILLIAM C. SCHENCK. Philadelphia, Oct. 9, 1799. eow.

Several Lots of Land To be sold, at the Coffee House, on Tuesday the 24th December inst. at 6 o'clock, in the evening. PART of that Tract, known by the name of Masters's Estate. They are laid out upon roads to communicate with Fourth Street continuing and Turner's lane, and contain from 4 to 6 acres. The situations are equal to any around the city for beauty of prospect, convenience of distance, or advantages of future improvements and rise in value. A plan may be seen at the Coffee House, and the conditions will be made known at the time of sale. JOHN CONNELLY, Auctioneer. December 14

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of WILLIAM McDONALD, late of the city of Philadelphia, Taylor, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment; and all persons having any demands against the said estate are desired to render their accounts, duly attested, for settlement, to

ANN MACDONALD, Administratrix. December 16. 1at

FOR SALE, By SIMON WALKER, No. 78 Walnut Street, ENGLISH PORTER and Brown Scotch, in casks of 6 dozen each, Tin Plates, Sheet, bar and pig Lead, Cannon with carriages complete, 4, 6, 9 and 12 pounders, Shot, round, double headed and canister, Iron Crow Bars, Curstuffs, boarding Pikes, Muskets and Pistols, Rough Brimstone, Cream of Tartar, Porter, Wine and Claret Bottles, Six Invoices of Forthen Ware, each about thirty crates, assorted White and red Lead, yellow and black Paint, and Spanish Brown, Russian Brilles, Hardware and Sadlery, assorted in casks, An Invoice of German Potillas and Britannias. December 3. eobw

MADEIRA WINE. THE Subscriber has just received a quantity of BILL'S First Quality London Particular Wine, In Pipes, Hhds, and Quarter Casks. GIDEON HILL WELLS. Philadelphia, Nov. 17. 31aw2m

Mrs. GROOMBRIDGE RESPECTFULLY informs her numerous friends, acquaintance and the public, that she has agreed to the request of many persons, concluded to reside in town during each winter, and has taken a large convenient house in Walnut Street, No. 106, between Fourth and Fifth Streets, where she proposes removing her School the 1st of November. English and French grammatically taught, Writing, Geography, the Use of the Globes, Arithmetic, History, Dancing, with all kinds of useful and ornamental Work; Drawing in various branches, History, Landscape, Flowers, &c. Due attention to Vocal as well as Instrumental Music, with requisite Masters of repute and ability. Columbia House Boarding and Day School, October 29, 1799.

The Friends and Guardians of the Ladies under Mrs. Groombridge's care are particularly assured, that an eligible situation in the country will be engaged for each ensuing Summer, though no epidemic may affect the city. TO THE PUBLIC. THE time being fixed on, when the MILITARY LAND (commonly called Knox's) WARRANTS, granted to the United States Army, are to be registered and located,—the subscribers have explored that tract of land on which those warrants are to be laid, with a view, and for the purpose of offering their services as locaters.

We take the liberty of suggesting, that we were at least as well acquainted with the situation, quality of the soil, &c. of the different townships in the aforesaid tract, as any other persons; this will, perhaps, appear more clearly, by observing, that WILLIAM C. SCHENCK assisted in running the Indian boundary line; at which time he considerably traveled that tract; he also assisted in surveying and laying it off into townships; and at other times ranged over it, to gain information. But to obtain a more complete and accurate knowledge, we have lately spent between two and three months, with several assistants, in particularly examining the different townships and quarter townships; by which means we have acquired an accurate knowledge of the whole district.—We now offer our services to the public, as Locaters, with assurances that we will locate every persons warrants entrusted to us to the best advantage, agreeably to their rights of location, which is to be determined according to law. For our services we demand the one equal tenth part, either in lands or warrants, when we locate a full tract, of four thousand acres or more, for one person or firm; the land to be taken in a square, at a corner of the tract; which corner is to be equitably determined before the time of location.—The one equal sixth part, in cash or warrants, when we connect and locate any amount less than four thousand acres. We will be in Philadelphia from December next, until after the time of location, to transact this business: Any person wishing to satisfy himself farther, will please to call on us, by letter, (postage paid) or otherwise; when due attention will be paid, and such vouchers may be sent as we have to offer, which we hope will be satisfactory.

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