

of the timid. He is a perfect Terrier at all the burrows of Democracy. He watches with eager eye, and he barks perseveringly long.

He is charged with being scurrilous, and prejudiced, and intemperate, and low. To such an accusation it is not difficult to make defence. Every man, attacked in newspapers and transitory pamphlets, in factious times, and by a partisan, always attaches these epithets to his adversary. The language of Porcupine is acrimonious, and his chiding vehement; but it must be remembered that he is out, as it were, in a moral tempest, that he is exposed to the pitiless pelting of demeracy, that his person is menaced by some, his property invaded by others, and his principles attacked by more. The day is hot, and Frenchmen are abroad; it is natural therefore, as an Englishman, that he should feel, like passionate Mercury. All fearing to be pelted with every political papiray. It is natural that he should be irritable, like the fiery Hotspur. He lives in a state, when Jacobin jugglers display their magic to the dazzled eyes of the stupid and credulous vulgar; when classical borrowings of useful literature, character, and sound liberal principles are neglected and degraded; when childhood change is too voracious, when creeping, fattening, mean and second-hand maxims are taught by our "Poor Richards" as "The way to wealth," and cunning and profligate craft hailed as true piety, and found discretion. At such a time, it is honest and decorous to lift the tongue, and raise the warning hand. The author of the "Purveys of Literature" has done this, and Peter has done no more. Since our connexion with France, it has become fashionable to invert our minds with a new and falsely covering, but in the country of our ancestors men are still in their habits, which the Bible, the Liturgy and Aurelian and Addison furnish. From that country this may come, and he brings his principles with him. They are false. When the age of revolution, inconsistency, the headed, hairy clawed Speculation, and dobbing avarice has passed away; old fashioned plainness of speech, and liberal conduct and high-minded dignity, and sound and protected literature will be restored; and men will wonder that Paine's pamphlets were ever read, and that the pithy proverbs of Franklin were ever popular.

A gentleman who left New-Castle at one o'clock yesterday afternoon, says there were then no inward bound vessels there, or any in sight; but it was said there was a 20 gun ship in the bay.

BALTIMORE, March 26.

A passenger in the schooner Mary, Captain Hart, has furnished us with the following article for publication. On Tuesday, March 4, 1800, at 3 1/2 P.M. a wreck bearing to the north and leading us we could not fetch her without making a few tacks; we immediately dispatched the yawl, with the mate and two hands to go on board in hopes to find some person alive, but to our great surprise they found no living soul on board. All the description we can give of the said wreck is, that she was a schooner, with a woman figure head painted white, with a coruscation in one hand, the other arm was carried away; her bowsprit was painted yellow, and like wife her quarter deck; she had a sky light; pierced for 12 or 14 guns, but had none on board; her bulwarks were all washed away by the sea; the two masts and the chief part of the spars were lying along side; her main and flying gts was entangled round the bowsprit by the wash of the sea; her stern was painted black, but no name could be perceived; her sides were pine. We took her to be a southern built vessel. The weather being equally and might coming on we were obliged to abandon her. There were women's clothes on the quarter deck.

CHARLESTON, March 11.

The Canal which has been cutting for a number of years past in this state, under the direction of Col. Snel, is now so far completed, as to admit boats to pass entirely through it, from the head of Cooper river to the Santee. A committee of the board of directors left town yesterday, to inspect the works, and to fix the time when it will be opened for boats to pass through, which are to pay toll. There is great reason to believe that as soon as it is declared to be possible the chief part of the produce of the Santee, Congaree, Wateree, and other rivers connected with these, will pass through this canal, which will entirely take off the risk and damage boats are subject to, which now come round by the mouth of the Santee.

The many losses which have happened within the last and present years, to boats in the latter dangerous passage, will point out most feelingly to those who sent their produce down the Santee, the propriety of ordering it through this canal; the planning and execution of which does so much credit to the state, and those who have persevered to its completion.

STAUNTON, (Vir.) March 19.

Funeral honours were solemnized, by the troops of the garrisons of South West Point and Tellico, on the 22d February last. The following singular circumstance took place on the evening of the same day: Two children were born in those garrisons, the one, a son to the lady of Capt. Butler—the other a daughter to the lady of Lockwood.—The son of Capt. Butler bears the name of George Washington—the daughter of Capt. Lockwood the name of Martha Washington.

CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. FRIDAY, March 28.

Mr. Nicholas called up the resolution which he laid on the table yesterday, authorizing the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives, to close the present session by adjourning their respective Houses on the last day in April next, and having modified his motion, so as to read the first Monday in May next, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Nicholas said, an act was passed last session, for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States, which gave the Secretary of State a discretionary power as to the manner in which the law should be executed—this power he did not mean to question, but he thought the house should be made acquainted with the expense attending it; and therefore moved the following resolution, which was adopted, viz. Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to lay before the House, a report of the proceedings had under an act passed last session, entitled, "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States," and the expenses incurred therein.

Mr. S. Smith moved that when the House adjourn, it adjourn till Monday—carried, ayes 56.

Mr. Eggleston presented a petition of the merchants and others, inhabitants of the towns of Richmond, Manchester, and Petersburg, Virginia, praying the office of collector of the customs may be established at Petersburg, in the district of City Point, and Bermuda Hundred. Referred to the committee of commerce and manufactures.

On motion of Mr. Livingston, the House came to the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee of commerce and manufactures, be directed to enquire into the expediency of allowing a drawback on the exportation of cotton goods, of foreign manufacture imported into the United States, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Harper said, as the principal feature of the bill for the better establishment and regulation of the courts of the United States, had been destroyed, by a vote of the House, yesterday, he would now move that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of it.

Messrs. Gallatin and Nicholas opposed this motion; and Mr. Otis supported it; when the question was taken and agreed to—ayes 57.

Mr. Harper then moved that the bill be re-committed to the select committee, who reported it.

This motion was superceded by one of Mr. Macon, who moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed till the first Monday in December next.

Messrs. Nicholson, Varium, Macon, spoke in favor of the postponement; and Messrs. Rutledge, C. Goodrich, Bayard, against it; when the question was taken by yeas and nays, as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE. Messrs. Alton, Bishop, R. Brown, Cabelle, Christie, Clay, Claiborne, Condit, Davis, Dawson, Dent, Eggleston, Elmendorf, Fowler, Gallatin, Goode, Gray, Gregg, Hanna, Hartley, Heister, Holmes, Jackson, Jones, Kitchell, Leib, Lyon, Livingston, Macon, Muhlenberg, News, Nicholas, Nicholson, Randolph, Smilie, J. Smith, S. Smith, Stanford Stone, Sumpter, Taliaferro, Thompson, A. Trigg, J. Trigg, Varium, R. Williams.—46.

NEGATIVE. Messrs. Baer, Bartlett, B. yard, Bird, Brace, J. Brown, Champlin, Cooper, Dana, J. Davenport, F. Davenport, Dennis, Dickson, Edmond, Evans, A. Foster, Freeman, Glen, C. Goodrich, E. Goodrich, Gordon, Grifwold, Grove, Harper, Henderson, Hill, Huger, Imlay, Kittera, H. Lee, S. Lee, Lyman, Marshall, Morris, Nott, Otis, Parker, Pinckney, Platt, Powell, Reed, Rutledge, Sewall, Sheafe Shepherd, Thatcher, R. Thomas, Wadsworth, Wain, L. Williams, Woods.—52.

The question then recurred on Mr. Harper's motion, for re-committing the bill, which was carried—ayes 53.

Mr. D. Foster, from the committee of claims, to whom was referred a resolution instituting an enquiry into the expediency of repealing, for a certain period, the limitation act, made report, that no alteration ought to be made in the existing law relative to loan-office, and final settlement certificates, and indents of interest.

This report was committed for Monday next.

On motion of General Lee, the house unanimously came to the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That all letters and packets to Mrs Martha Washington, relic of the late General George Washington, shall be received and conveyed by post, free from postage, during her life.

General Lee said, he had been credibly informed, Mrs Washington had paid upwards of five hundred dollars, for postage. A committee was appointed to bring in a bill pursuant to the resolution.

The bill to fix the compensation of the commanding officer of the Marine corps, was agreed to, ayes, 45, noes 20, and ordered to be read for a third reading on Monday next.

The house went into a committee of the whole on the bill to divide the territory N. W. of the river Ohio, into two separate governments, Mr. Morris in the chair—when Mr. Macon said, as he wished to try the principle of the bill, before the committee proceeded to fill up the blanks in it, he would move to strike out the first section.

Mr. Harrison, delegate from that territory, opposed this motion, and was follow-

ed by Mr. Harper, who contended it was impossible, in such a vast extent of country, for the executive or legislative authority to administer the government in that prompt and efficacious manner, which the nature of its situation demanded—and that as the request of the inhabitants for a division seemed to be almost unanimous, it could with no sort of propriety be refused.

The question on striking out, was negatively—the blank was then filled up with the word "Washington," the name which the new territory is to bear—the committee rose, and the bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next.

General Lee, brought in a bill to extend the privilege of franking letters, and packets, to Martha Washington, which was read a first and second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading on Monday next. Adjourned.

Form of the Warrant issued by the Senate for the apprehension of William Duane.

UNITED STATES, ss. the 27th day of March, 1800.

WHEREAS the Senate of the United States, on the 18th day of March, 1800, then being in session in the city of Philadelphia, did resolve, that a publication in the General Advertiser, or Aurora, a Newspaper printed in the said city of Philadelphia, on Wednesday the 19th of February, the last past, contained assertions and pretended information respecting the Senate and committee of the Senate and their proceedings, which were false, defamatory, scandalous and malicious, tending to defame the Senate of the United States, and to bring them into contempt, and disrepute, and to excite against them the hatred of the good people of the United States; and that the said publication was a high breach of the privileges of the house.

And whereas the Senate did then further resolve and order that the said William Duane, resident in said city, and editor of said newspaper, should appear at the bar of the house on Monday the 24th day of March inst. that he might there have opportunity to make any proper defence for his conduct in publishing the aforesaid false, defamatory, scandalous and malicious assertions and pretended information.

And whereas the said William Duane did appear, on said day, at the bar of the house, pursuant to the said order, and requested counsel, and the Senate by their resolution of the 24th day of March inst. Resolved, that William Duane, having appeared at the bar of the Senate, and requested to be heard by counsel on the charge against him for a breach of privileges of the Senate, he be allowed the assistance of counsel while personally attending at the bar of the Senate, who might be heard in denial of any facts charged against said Duane, or in excuse and extenuation of his offence; and that the said William Duane should attend at the bar of the Senate on Wednesday then next, at 12 o'clock, of which the said Duane had due notice.

And whereas the said William Duane, in contempt of the said last mentioned order, did neglect and refuse to appear at the bar of the said Senate at the time specified therein, and the Senate of the United States on the 27th day of March inst. did therefore resolve that the said William Duane, was guilty of a contempt of said order and of the Senate, and that for the said contempt the said William Duane should be taken into custody of the Sergeant at Arms, attending the Senate, to be kept for their further orders—all which appears by the Journals of the Senate of the United States now in session in the city of Philadelphia.

These are therefore to require you, James Mathers, Sergeant at Arms of the Senate of the United States, forthwith to take into your custody, the body of the said William Duane, now resident in the said city of Philadelphia, and him safely to keep, subject to the further order of the Senate;—and that all marshals, and deputy marshals, and civil officers of the United States, and every other person, are hereby required to be aiding and assisting to you in the execution thereof;—for which this shall be your sufficient warrant.

Given under my hand, this 27th day of March, 1800.

THOMAS JEFFERSON, President of the Senate of the United States.

The Yeas and Nays upon agreeing to the Resolution authorizing the issuing of the above warrant were as follow:

AFFIRMATIVE. Messrs. Bingham, Chipman, Dayton, Dexter, Foster, Goodhue, Greene, Hillhouse, Latimer, Laurance, Livermore, Lloyd, Paine, Read, Rofs, Schureman, Tracy, Wells.—18.

NEGATIVE. Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Bloodworth, Brown, Cocke, Franklin, Langdon, Marshall, Mason, Nicholas, Pinckney.—11.

In the Senate of the United States yesterday, the bill to establish an uniform system of bankruptcy throughout the United States, was passed, in manner following, to wit:

AFFIRMATIVE. Messrs. Bingham, Chipman, Dayton, Dexter, Foster, Goodhue, Greene, Hillhouse, Latimer, Lloyd, Paine, Read, Rofs, Schureman, Tracy, Wells.—16.

NEGATIVE. Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Bloodworth, Brown, Cocke, Franklin, Langdon, Livermore, Marshall, Mason, Nicholas, Pinckney.—12.

APPOINTMENT. ABRAHAM BRADLEY, Assistant Postmaster General, in place of CHARLES BUNNELL, Esq. resigned.

The Letters of Messrs. Cooper and Dallas, published in yesterday's Gazette, were not, as therein stated, read in Senate; being deemed so indecent, it was voted that they should not be read.

On Wednesday evening last, I called on Mr. Fenno, to speak to him, respecting a publication, which appeared in his Gazette on the preceding day, and which was handed to him by Mary Burgess—He informed me that he was unacquainted with the person who delivered it—that it was offered as an advertisement, and that he was induced to give it a place in his paper from observing it in the names of Mr. B. and Lt. R.

NOTICE.

The Friends of the Members of "The Theban Society" are informed that the amusements intended for this evening are postponed until TUESDAY next the 11th of April, on account of the weather.

By order of the Managers. J. H. Sec. pro tem.

BOSTON, March 22.

This day arrived schooner Powder Point Capt. Carver, 40 days from Hispaniola, where he was carried in by Rigaud's barge, his cargo sold by the administration, referring enough to pay duties; left there, sch. Kitty of Plymouth, also brought in by the barge, no person on board; also left there sch. Dolphin, Tapley, (capt dead) and sch. Betsey, both of Boston. March 2, lat 33, long 75, 50, spoke brig Favourite Ruft, of Salem, from N. Carolina, bound to Grenada, who generously supplied capt. C. with a man to assist him, having previously sprung a leak.

Same day, brig Catherine, Harris, Tobacco, 25 days.

Same day arrived, ship Indus, Chapman, 103 days from Batavia, she has performed her voyage in about 8 months and an half; she was in the bay in the blow on Friday night, and having a good pilot, was fortunate enough to make land and run in safe.

Same day arrived sch. Trio, Silsbe, 17 days from the Havannah; the public are indebted to the attention of capt. S. for the following list of vessels left there, March 5th, 1800, viz.—Fanny, Euilley, of and for Salem, in 6 or 8 days; Resolution, Burgeis do. do; Almira, Wait, of and for Portland, in 15 days;—Robinson, of do;—Bragden, do; Yankee, Williams, for New-York; Milford, Hilton, of Wiscasset for Boston; Minerva, March, of and for Newburyport to sail in 4 weeks;—Walton for do in 8 days; Alexander, Lombard, for do in 10 days; Satisfaction, Traff; of and for Boston; Union, Bartal for do in 8 or 10 days; Polly, Smith, for do;—Sturton, for do in 15 or 20 days; Ruthy, Gorham for do in 8 or 10 days;—Sherman of Newport, just arrived; Voltaire, Bowen, of and for Philadelphia 30 days; Sally Smith, of Baltimore; 2 Brothers, Lecott, for do in 15 days; Felicitey, Belt, for do in 15 days; Hope, Clark for do; Beaver, Elliott, of Philadelphia; Nonpareil, —Norfolk, just arrived, Greyhound, Pratt, of Charleston, Howard, Black, New-York, just arrived. At Matanzas a windward port, capt. Lowell, of Portland; Sanders, of New-Port; Dean of Dighton; Harth, New-York; and Bolman, of Philadelphia. At Mariel, Hind Ropes, of Salem, 8 or 10 days. Leopard, Ropes, do. do. Left there ten or 12 other vessels, names unknown. Sailed March 5 under convoy of the U. States ship Petapico, in Co. with 23 fail of vessels, bound to different parts of the continent, Boston excepted. Parted with convoy March 9th, off Cape Cod.

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March 23.

Arrived this day, schooner Peggy, Allen, from St. Kitts and Nevis, 27 days.

Same day arrived, schooner Bee, Tyler, from Surinam. Sailed 6th February under convoy of the Moreland, Captain Rogers, and in company with the Washington, Bunts, New York; John, Coggins, Providence; Atlantick, Phillips, Portsmouth; New Adventure, Homer, Boston; Friendship, Young, Boston; Brandywine, Arnold, Rhode Island; George, Barron, Baltimore; Chance, Church, Hartford.

The ship America, Crowninfield, has arrived in the at harbour, and the Amazon, Trevitt, has arrived at the wharved.

Extract of a letter from Captain Bebe of the brig Fox, of New York, dated Mississippi River, February 26, 1800.

On our passage from New York, February 9, saw a schooner with both her masts by the side, and a signal of distress flying. On coming up with her, she proved to be the Sphinx, of Boston, Charles Hodder master, bound to Havannah.—Sailed up and wished to be taken on board the vessel, being so leaky could not keep her free. It then blowing very fresh and a heavy sea running, could only with difficulty and great hazard save the crew, six in number, which two days after put on board another schooner bound to Havannah. From the weather, could not save any thing whatever from the wreck.

The storm which commenced on Friday night last, and continued without intermission, until yesterday, accompanied with a considerable fall of snow and hail, has, we are apprehensive, proved fatal to many valuable vessels which left the Vineyard on Thursday last.—The fleet which came out together on that day, amounted to 40 sail—those which have arrived inform that the gale was very heavy, and the weather thick. We have had information of several of the fleet arriving in the eastern ports.

AT a meeting of Delegates from twenty-two Fire Companies of the City, and Liberties held at the Carpenter's Hall on the 17th inst. It was resolved, that notice be given in the several newspapers, of the organization of this institution, and that those Fire Companies, who have not communicated the result of their deliberations on the plan submitted to them, be requested to furnish the requisite information at the adjourned meeting to be held at this place at 7 o'clock in the evening of Monday the 31st instant.

Extract from the minutes, JAMES MILNOR, Sec. pro tem.

The Delegates are requested to be punctual in their attendance, as the committee appointed to form a Constitution for the government of the association will make report, printed copies of which may be had by the Delegates previous to the meeting, at James Milnor's office, No. 81 Arch Street. March 27.

NEW THEATRE.

On Monday evening, March 31, Will be presented a Play, (not acted this Season) interspersed with songs, called

THE MOUNTAINEERS.

[Written by G. Colman, Jun.] O'Savian, (first time here) Mr. Cooper, Sadi, Mr. Bernard, Florante, Mrs. Francis, Agnes, Mrs. Oldmixon.

To which will be added (not acted here these four years) a Farce, in two acts, called MODERN ANTIQUES; Or, the Merry Mourner.

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

The doors of the Theatre will open at a quarter past 5, and the curtain rise at a quarter past six.

FOR CHARLESTON, SOUTH-CAROLINA.

THE BRIG C Y R U S, Wm. DAGGET, jun. Master, WILL sail in six days. For freight or passage apply to the master on board at Walnut Street Wharf, or to ABRAHAM VAN BEUREN, No. 109, So. Front Street.

FOR SALE, ON BOARD SAID BRIG,

100 boxes Boston Chocolate, 5 pipes Holland Gin, 5 hhds. and 3 barrels N. England Rum, 6 casks Essence of Spruce, Wrapping Paper, &c.

TO BE LET, THE LOT,

At the north-east corner of Arch and Ninth streets, Now occupied by Mr. Benjamin Busby, as a Board Yard.

Enquire at No. 218 Arch Street. March 17. 3twy.

A LOT OF GROUND,

CONTAINING six acres and three quarters, at the corner of the township line road, and the same leading from the Falls Tavern to German-town, handsomely situated for building, and well watered. Enquire of the Printer. march 27. 3twy.

Taxes of Lycoming County.

JOHN KIDD, Treasurer, BY Direction of the Commissioners of Lycoming county, attends at Philadelphia to receive the Taxes assessed upon unpatented Lands in that County, from the holders thereof, in this City. Those who have filed with the Commissioners, statements of their Lands, are requested to call upon him, to know the amount of Taxes thereon, and pay them; otherwise, before his leaving the City, they will be put into the hands of the Sheriff for collection, agreeably to the act for raising county rates and levies. Those who have not filed statements of their lands with the Commissioners, and are desirous of having it done, to prevent sales without previous personal Notice, may file with the above Treasurer, their lists, stating the quantities returned, number and dates of the warrants and names of the warrantees, under which they hold their lands. He will attend at Mr. Joseph Hardy's No. 98, Market Street for this purpose until the 18th instant. November 9.

Will be exposed to Public Sale, On Monday the 31st instant, at six o'clock in the Evening.

LOTS

No. 21, 22, 23, 24; Part of the Springetown Estate.

The two former contain a great body of Excellent Building Stone easily Quarried. The plot of the whole Estate may be seen at the Bank of North America, where persons desirous of purchasing other parts may be informed of the conditions. March 21. dt1ft.

A Summer Retreat.

A convenient and genteel House, situated in Trenton, to be let or sold. Possession will be given the 1st of June next. Enquire of the Printer. March 25. 206w.

To be Rented,

AND immediate possession given, if required, A new two story Brick House and Kitchen, about 14 miles from Philadelphia, on the great road to Newtown. Enquire of the Printer. march 27. dt.

FOR DISPOSAL, The Time

Of two Dutch indentured Servants, (a man and his wife) Who have two years and eight months to serve. For further particulars enquire of JOHN REDINGER, No. 170 Race Street. February 28. dt.