

PHILADELPHIA.

At a meeting of the Democratic Society of Pennsylvania, held at the city of Philadelphia, for the said city, July 3d, 1793—

On motion, ordered, That the Committee of Correspondence do publish in one or more of the public newspapers of this city, the Principles, Articles, and Regulations agreed upon by this meeting, together with a list of the names of the officers thereof, and the Circular Letter ordered to be sent to the different counties.

Extract from the minutes, JOHN PORTER, Secretary.

Principles, Articles, and Regulations,

AGREED UPON BY THE MEMBERS OF THE

DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY in Philadelphia, May 30, 1793.

THE Rights of Man, the genuine objects of society, and the legitimate principles of government, have been clearly developed by the successive revolutions of America and France. Those events have withdrawn the veil, which concealed the dignity and the happiness of the human race, and have taught us, no longer dazzled with adventitious splendour, or awed by antiquated usurpation, to erect the Temple of Liberty on the ruins of palaces and thrones.

At this propitious period, when the nature of Freedom and Equality is thus practically displayed, and when their value, (best understood by those who have paid the price of acquiring them) is universally acknowledged, the patriotic mind will naturally be solicitous, by every proper precaution, to preserve and perpetuate the blessings which Providence hath bestowed upon our country;—for, in reviewing the history of nations, we find occasion to lament, that the vigilance of the people has been too easily absorbed in victory—and that the prize, which has been achieved by the wisdom and valour of one generation, has too often been lost by the ignorance and supineness of another.

With a view, therefore, to cultivate a just knowledge of rational liberty, to facilitate the enjoyments and exercise of our civil rights, and to transmit, unimpaired, to posterity, the glorious inheritance of a free Republican Government, the Democratic Society of Pennsylvania is constituted and established. Unfettered by any religious or national distinctions, unbiassed by party, and unmoved by ambition, this institution embraces the interest and invites the support of every virtuous citizen. The public good is, indeed, its sole object, and we think that the best means are pursued for obtaining it, when we recognize the following, as the fundamental principles of our association.

I.

That the people have the inherent and exclusive right and power of making and altering forms of government; and that for regulating and protecting our social interests, a Republican Government is the most natural and beneficial form which the wisdom of man has devised.

II.

That the Republican Constitutions of the United States, and of the State of Pennsylvania, being framed and established by the people, it is our duty, as good citizens, to support them. And in order effectually to do so, it is likewise the duty of every freeman, to regard with attention, and to discuss without fear, the conduct of the public servants, in every department of government.

III.

That, in considering the administration of public affairs, men and measures should be estimated according to their intrinsic merits; and therefore, regardless of party spirit or political connection, it is the duty of every citizen, by making the general welfare the rule of his conduct, to aid and approve those men and measures that have an influence in promoting the prosperity of the commonwealth.

IV.

That in the choice of persons to fill the offices of government, it is essential to the existence of a free Republic, that every citizen should act according to his own judgment, and, therefore, any attempt to corrupt or delude the people in exercising the rights of suffrage, either by promiss-

ing the favour of one candidate, or introducing the character of another, is an offence equally injurious to moral rectitude and civil liberty.

V.

That the People of Pennsylvania form but one indivisible community, whose political rights and interests, whose national honour and prosperity must, in degree and duration, be forever the same; and, therefore, it is the duty of every freeman, and shall be the endeavor of the Democratic Society, to remove the prejudices, to conciliate the affections, to enlighten the understanding, and to promote the happiness of all our fellow citizens.

Having united under these principles, we adopt the following rules and regulations for transacting the business of the institution.

ARTICLE I.

The Society shall be co-extensive with the State, but for the convenience of the members, there shall be a separate meeting in the city of Philadelphia, and one in each county, which shall chuse to adopt this constitution. A member admitted in the city or in any county, shall of course be a member of the Society at large, and may attend any of the meetings wherever held.

ARTICLE II.

A meeting of the Society shall be held in the city of Philadelphia, on the first Thursday in every month, and in the respective counties as often and at such times as they shall by their own rules determine. But the President of each respective meeting may convene the members on any special occasion.

ARTICLE III.

The election of new members and of the officers of the Society shall be by ballot and by a majority of the votes of the members present at each respective meeting. But no new members shall be voted for at the same meeting at which he is proposed. The names of the members proposing any candidates for admission shall be entered in a book kept for that purpose. Every member on his admission shall subscribe this constitution and pay the sum of half a dollar to the Treasurer for the use of the Society.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of the meeting in the city of Philadelphia shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, two Secretaries, one Treasurer, and a Corresponding Committee of five members; and the meetings of the respective counties shall chuse a President and such other officers as they think proper. The officers of the meeting held in the city of Philadelphia shall be chosen on the first Thursday in January in every year.

ARTICLE V.

It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Committee, to correspond with the various meetings of the Society and with all other Societies, that may be established on similar principles, in any other of the United States, and to lay all communications which they shall make and receive, together with such other business as they shall from time to time deem proper, before the Society at a meeting held within their respective counties.

ARTICLE VI.

It shall be the duty of the Secretaries to keep minutes of the proceedings of the several meetings; and of the Treasurers, to receive and account for all monies to them respectively paid.

[CIRCULAR.]

FELLOW CITIZEN,

WE have the pleasure to communicate to you a copy of the constitution of "THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY," in hopes that after a candid consideration of its principles and objects, you may be induced to promote its adoption in the county, of which you are an inhabitant.

Every mind capable of reflection, must perceive, that the present crisis in the politics of nations, is particularly interesting to America. The European confederacy, transcendent in power, and unparalleled in iniquity, menaces the very existence of freedom. Already its baneful operation may be traced in the tyrannical destruction of the constitution, and the rapacious partition of the territory of Poland: And should the glorious efforts of France be eventually defeated, we have reason to presume, that for the consummation of monarchical ambition, this country, the only remaining depository of

Liberty, will not long be permitted to enjoy in peace the honors of an independent, and the happiness of a republican government.

Nor are the dangers arising from a foreign source, the only causes, at this time, of apprehension and solicitude. The seeds of Luxury appear to have taken root in our domestic soil; and the jealous eye of patriotism already regards the spirit of freedom and equality, as eclipsed by the pride of wealth and the arrogance of power.

This general view of our situation, has led to the institution of "THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY." A constant circulation of useful information, and a liberal communication of republican sentiments, were thought to be the best antidotes to any political poison, with which the vital principles of civil liberty might be attacked; For by such means, a fraternal confidence will be established among the citizens; every symptom of innovation will be studiously marked; and a standard will be erected, to which, in danger and distress, the friends of liberty may successfully resort.

To obtain these objects, then, and to cultivate on all occasions, the love of peace, order, and harmony; an attachment to the constitutions, and a respect to the laws of our country, will be the aim of "THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY." Party and personal considerations are excluded from a system of this nature; for, in the language of the Articles under which we are united, men and measures will only be estimated according to their intrinsic merits, and their influence in promoting the prosperity of the state.

From you, Citizen, we hope to derive essential aid, in extending the society and maintaining its genuine principles. We request, therefore, an early attention to the subject, and solicit a constant correspondence.

We are with esteem your

Fellow Citizens.

Philadelphia, 4th July, 1793.

Officers of the Democratic Society, for the city and liberties of Philadelphia.

David Rittenhouse, President.

William Coats, } Vice-presidents.

Charles Biddle, }

James Hutchinson, } Committee

Alexander J. Dallas, } of corres-

Michael Leib, } pondence.

Jonathan D. Sergeant }

David Jackson, }

Israel Hrael, Treasurer.

J. Porter, } Secretaries.

P. St. Duponceau, }

BANK of the UNITED STATES.

JULY 1st, 1793.

NOTICE is hereby given that there will be paid at the Bank after the 10th instant, to the Stockholders or their Representatives duly authorized, FOURTEEN DOLLARS and FIFTY CENTS for each Share, being the dividend declared for the last six months.

By order, JOHN KEAN, Cashier.

RULES

To be observed in transacting Business with the

Insurance Company

OF NORTH-AMERICA.

1st. ALL orders for Insurance must be given in writing, signed by the applicant; and as minute a description of the vessel is expected, as the person ordering the insurance can give, respecting her age, build, how found and fitted, and whether double or single decked.

2d. All policies will be ready for delivery in twenty-four hours after the order for insurance is accepted at the office, and the policy must be taken up in ten days.

3d. Notes, with an approved endorser, for all premiums, must be given in ten days, payable as follows:

For American and West-India risques, in three months after the date of the policy.

For European risques, in six months.

For India and China risques, in 12 months.

For risques by the year, in eight months.

For risques for six months, in four months.

And for risques for any lesser time, in three months.

4th. Losses will be paid in ten days after proof and adjustment; but if the note given for the premium shall not have become due within that time, the amount of it shall, nevertheless, be deducted from the loss to be paid.

The Insurance Company of North-America hereby give notice to all whom it may concern, that, agreeably to the above rules, they are ready to receive all orders for insurance, which may be addressed to them, accompanied with directions to some responsible house in Philadelphia for the payment of the premiums within the time limited.

In case the risques offered shall be approved, the insurance shall be immediately effected; otherwise notice shall be given, either by answer to the person applying, or to his agent, in Philadelphia, as may be ordered.

By order of the Directors, EBENEZER HAZARD, Sec'y.

July 3.

To the Public.

THE Editor of the GAZETTE of the UNITED STATES, proposes publishing the Paper, under that Title, every Evening, Sunday's excepted:

To render it interesting as a Daily Publication, it shall contain foreign and domestic, commercial and political Intelligence:—Essays and Observations, local and general:—Maritime Information:—Prices: Current of Merchandize and the Public Funds: Also a summary of the proceedings of Congress, and of the Legislature of this State:—with a sketch of Congressional Debates, &c.

ADVERTISING favors will be gratefully received.

TERMS.

To be printed on paper of the demy size; but a larger size shall be substituted in December next.

The price Six Dollars per Annum, to be paid half Yearly.

When a sufficient number of Subscribers is obtained, the Publication shall commence.

In the interim, the Gazette will be published twice a week as usual.—Subscriptions are respectfully solicited by the Public's humble servant,

JOHN FENNO.

Subscriptions are received at the City Tavern, South Second Street—by Mr. Dufson, at the Stone House—by other persons who are in possession of subscription papers, and by the Editor at his house, No. 34 North Fifth Street.

Philadelphia, July, 1793.

THE EDITOR

MOST earnestly requests those of his distant Subscribers who are in arrears for the Gazette, to make payment as soon as possible.—Those persons who have received subscription money on their account are desired to remit the same. The arrearages for the Gazette have accumulated to a serious amount.—Serious, as they are the only resource to discharge very serious engagements incurred in the prosecution of this expensive publication. Philadelphia, June 26.

INSURANCE COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, July 1st, 1793.

NOTICE is hereby given to the members of the Insurance Company of North America, that the Directors have declared a dividend (to this day) of six per cent on the amount of the first instalment, and of one per cent per month, on the sums paid towards the second and third instalments, calculating from the first day of the month following that in which these payments were made. The Dividend will be paid to the Stockholders or their Representatives, at the Company's Office, (No. 219, South Front Street) at any time after the 25th inst.

EBENEZER HAZARD, Sec'y.

As the members of this Company are much dispersed throughout the United States, the Printers in the several States are requested to give the above a place in their newspapers.

Albany Glass-House.

The Proprietors of the Glass-Manufactory, under the Firm of

M'CLALLEN, M'GREGOR and Co. BEG leave to inform the public, that they have now brought their WINDOW-GLASS to such perfection, as will be found, on comparison, to be equal, in quality, to the Best London Crown Glass.

Having fixed their prices at a lower rate than imported Glass, they are induced to believe, that importations of this article will be discontinued, in proportion as their works are extended.—They propose to enlarge the scale of this business, and as the success of it will depend on the patriotic support of the public, they beg leave to solicit their friendly patronage in the pursuit of a branch which will interest every lover of AMERICAN MANUFACTURES.

All orders for WINDOW-GLASS, of any size, will be received at the Store of RHODES and M'GREGOR, No. 234, Queen-Street, New-York, and at the Glass Warehouse, No. 48, Market-Street, Albany, which will be punctually attended to.

WANTED, six smart active LADS, not exceeding 16 years of age, to be indentured as Apprentices, and regularly instructed in the various branches of Glass-Making.

Also, three Window-Glass Makers, to whom great encouragement will be given.

May 1, 1793.

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GENERAL POST-OFFICE,

Philadelphia, May 27, 1793.

500 Dollars Reward.

WHEREAS a certain THOMAS SLOSS GANTT, has lately made his escape from Baltimore County Gaol, to which he was committed under a charge of having robbed the Eastern Mail, on the 28th day of January last: Notice is hereby given, that a reward of five hundred dollars will be paid at this Office, to any person or persons who shall apprehend the said Thomas Sloss Gantt, and deliver him into the custody of the keeper of the said Gaol, or into the custody of either of the Marshals within the United States, so that the said Thomas Sloss Gantt may be effectually secured, and forth coming to answer the above mentioned charge.

TIMOTHY PICKERING,

Post-Master General.

The following is a description of the above named THOMAS SLOSS GANTT: He is about six feet high, fair and well made, has light coloured hair, tied behind, fair complexion and has a down look when spoken to.