The humiliating fituetion our navigation is placed in, needs but little comment. It is to be hoped that Americans will not facrifice tamely, at the shrine of foreign politics, their most valuable privileges .-It matters not from what quarter the aggression comes. If it is the interest of either, or both, of the two prin ipal powers at war, to diffress our trade, in order to weaken the resources of their opponent; or to influence our political opinions to the prejudice of that maintained by either of them, it becomes the more necessary for us to be united. This language may not fuit those who attend only to partial views; but, we run no risk in pronountional dignity and independence.

The brig Julius Cæfar, on her way to Connecticut, upfet in a flaw of wind, just after turning the point at Corlaers's Hook. A man or two on her fore-top-fails yard, cluing up the fail, at the time, escaped down the shrouds. The brig was light, and almost without any ballast. Both topsails being standing, soon after reaching the water, she turned her keel up, and carried away her top-masts, proba-bly against the bottom of the river. She drifted a mile or two with the tide, when by great exertions, and the aid of people in boats from the shore, she was towed on Long Island shore. We are happy to hear that by the exertions of the owners, she is got off without any material damage, excepting in her masts and spars. No lives were lost.

ARRIVALS AT THIS PORT. Schr. Weymouth, Stephens
Winthrop, Bayley
Sloop James, Jackson
Lewis, Morgan Philadelphia do. Richmond

Charleston, May 25.
Yesterday arrived the barque William, Beckford Madeira, 37 days; schooner Betsey, Waterman, St. Mary's, 3 days; schooner Nancy, Butch, Honduras, 20 days; scht. Polly, Faber, Nassau, 6 days.

May 26. Yesterday arrived the schooner Esther, Wells, Savannah, 2 days; floop Speedwell, Clarke. Gonaives, 18 days.

The schooner Patuxent, Campbell, was at Gonaives when capt. Clarke left it.

May 27. Yesterday arrived the brig Henry and George, Roper, Guernsey, 63 days.

Capt. Clarke, who arrived here the evening before the last from Gonaives, left there on the 7th

inft. the following veffels:

Brig Ann, Moffat, and bring Aliza, Thornton, belonging to Philadelphia; brig Alexis, Tate, Wilmington, Delaware; and two sehooners belonging

Capt. Allen, in the schooner Eliza, of this port, left the Gonaives, for Petit Guave, on the 2d of

Capt. Clarke was informed that the troops arrived at Cape Nichola mole were directly from Europe; their number was faid to be 15,000; the rope; their number was taid to be 15,000; the report was that they intended to proceed against the Cape, where they understood great diffensions existed. Admiral Parker was at Jamaica; the Leviathan, Africa, and one frigate, were all the English vessels cruizing on the north side of Hispanio-la. May 28.

Yesterday arrived the ship Powhatan, London, 63 days; brig Y. F. Regina, Mejer, St. Ubes, 54 days; brig Pointer, Lessingwell, St. Sebastian's, 42 days; ship Elizabeth, Cooke, Lisbon, 50 days.

May 31. Yesterday arrived the schooner Eagle, Raboteau, St. Bartholomew's, 16 days; schooner Betsey, Poole, Jeremie, 14 days; ship Columbus, Lothrop Cadiz, 56 days; ship William, Campbell, Isle of

May, 40 days. Capt. Campbell, on the 16th inft. in lat. 27 1-2 long. 70, spoke the schooner John, Stuaet, from this port, bound to the West Indies, who supplied

capt. Campbell with a barrel of bread.
On the 17th inft. off Cape Nichola Mole, capt. Poole was boarded by a boat, in which were 14 brigands, who robbed his vessel of provision, some cloathing, speaking trumpet, &c.

BOSTON, June 10.

Mr. Williamson, we learn, has compleated a full company, among whom are Mr. Chalmers, Mr. and Mrs. Whitlock, Mr. and Mrs. Marthall, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Solomons, Mr. Mrs. and Miss, Rowson, Mons. and Madam Lege, Madam Gardie, Mr. Bates, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Weston, Mr. and Mrs. Hogg, with capital additions to the

One, of many, of the fatal effects of the Slave-trede-The Schooner Friends Adventure, capt. Stewart, of Savannah, lying at the mouth of the river Gambia, had 72 flaves on board; about the 15th of February, while the captain and part of the crew were ashore, the slaves rose, killed two of the people, run the schooner ashore, where she was lost, and escaped.

KNOXVILLE, May 23.

In our last we informed, that a party of Indians fired on three men, on Little Pigeon, and that the white men returned the fire and killed an Indian, called the Sour Mush. We now have it in our power, from respectable authority to say, that four Indians, hunting in that neighbourhood, were fired on by white men, who wounded one Indian, and took from them two guns. They have fince de-manded the guns of the agent of the United States, to the Cherokees—And not withilanding such provocations still shew the greatest disposition for peace.

A Quarterly Meeting of the Hibernian Society for the relief of Emigrants from Ireland, will be held at Mr. M'Shane's Tavern, in Third Street, at 7 o'clock this Evening.

MATHEW CAREY, Sec'ry.

PARIS, April 16.

Treilhard made a report from the Committee appointed to examine the meffage of the directory, inviting the council to pass a penal law against such men as should urge the re establishment of Royalty, and of the Constitution of 1793; and against such as, in the feditious affemblages of the people, should preach up the annihilation of the Republic.

The resolutions proposed by Treilhard were couched in nearly the following terms:

"All those who, by words or writings, spoken

or distributed, shall provoke the dissolution of the Legislative body and of the Directory, shall pro-Legislative body and of the Directory, shall provoke pillage and an equal division of property;—
the re-establishment of Royalty and of the Constitution of 1793, or any other than that of 1795,
shall be declared guilty of an attack upon the Public Safety, and shall be punished with death.

"All assemblies of the people, at which provoeations shall appear, shall be dispersed by force.

"Persons guilty of the crimes specified in the first
articles, shall be tried by the Directors of a jury,
discharging the functions of officers of Police.

discharging the functions of officers of Police, conformable to the Code of Crimes and punishments, subject to a special jury.

" All perfons attending such assemblies shall be obliged to retire on the summons of a Magistrate, under pain of banishment, or five years imprisonment in irons. Resistance shall be punished with death.

"All persons who shall publicly wear any other badge of distinction (signe de ralliement) than the National Cockade, shall be imprisoned for a year." These resolutions were adopted by the Council.

April 17. Camus made a report from the committee ap-pointed to examine the crimes resulting from an abuse of the press. He declared it was impossible to propose a general law, applicable to all authors and printers, without invading the liberty of the press. The committee, however, were of opinion, that a law of Police might be passed, relative to journals, gazettes, periodical publications, and addresses to the public; he therefore proposed some resolutions containing, among others, the following

1. No journals, gazettes, nor periodical publica-tions, shall be printed; no addresses to the public distributed; no bill printed nor stuck up, without the name of the author or authors, and the name and place of abode of the printer.

2. Every violation of the proceeding article, by an omission of the name of the author or printers, or by the infertion of a false name and place of abode, shall be prosecuted by the Police, and purious descriptions. nished with fix months imprisonment for the first offence, and two years imprisonment for every sublequent offence.

3. If the journals or periodical publications contain any articles that are not figured, any extracts or pretended extracts from foreign papers, the person who shall have published such works shall be responsible for the same.

4. All persons who shall hawk about, distribute, fell, or flick up any papers, in violation of the first article, shall incur the punishment specified in the

5. The authors, priaters, or perfons who flick up any papers containing fuch incitements or provo cations as are declared criminal by the law of the 27th inst. (April 16) shall be prosecuted, and punished in the manner there set forth.

6. All venders and hawkers of unfigned periodical publications, who shall be unable to point out the authors of the same, or who shall give false information on that head, or ascribe them to foreigners, or persons not having a fixed refidence, shall fuffer two years imprisonment in irons, and, for the second offence, transportation.

7. The printers, hawkers, or bill-flickers, who shall be arrested for any of the above offences, canauthor shall have been tried, or all endeavors to apprehend him shall have been declared fruitless.

Thele resolutions were all adopted.

LONDON, April 19.

Yesterday noon his majesty, accompanied by the prince of Wales, duke of York, prince Ernest, duke of Gloucestor, and prince William, reviewed the duke of Gordon's regiment of Highland Fencibles, in Hyde Park, where they went through a variety of evolutions and firings, for near two hours, to the great satisfaction of his majesty, and all the officers present. The duke, Lt. Col. Wood ford, and other officers, were present. The corps appeared to be about 500 men mostly hardy looking young men, all in the Highland dress, and accompanied by their national music, the bag pipe.— Some of the female part of the royal family, the Dutchess of Gordon, and several female nobility in carriages, with a prodigious crowd of spectators were present. The finencis of the day added much to the brilliancy of the spectacle. The king and his suite met the regiment at the horse guards, and proceeded with them, up the park, to the place of

This being the first Highland regiment his ma-jest had ever seen, he seemed particularly attentive to all their evolutions. The Dutchess of Gordon and Lady Louisa were dressed in the uniform of the regiment, and they were particularly honored with he royal attention,

It is but justice to add, that the discipline and good conduct of this regiment has, on all occasions been eminently conspicuous. They are now on their march to the North of England, where they are to be encamped under the command of prince William of Glouceller.

The East India Company have made considera ble pragress in raising the 3000 volunteers they undertook to procure for the royal navy, at their own expence, more than two thirds of that number being already complete, confifting of a very good proportion of able and ordinary feamen, and other useful hands, whom the liberal bounties offered by the company have induced to come forward in this popular fervice.

The Dutch fleet, we know, has with it two flore hips, laden with naval stores; and it is likewise well known, that it is neither victualled nor equipped for a long voyage. The conclusion feems that

ency of N. E. winds has driven it a great way into the Western Ocean. The Dutch ships cannot reach Brest till a change of wind to the westwaid, and by that time, we trust, we shall have a squadron off that harbor to prevent their entrance.

There are 80 English prisoners closely confined at Rotterdam, being the crews of ships which have been taken. Distatisfied with their allowances which are scantily divided, they lately attacked their guards, but were at length quelled without bloodslied. Since that time they have been deprived of every indulgence before enjoyed.

HAGUE, March 28.

Our Minister at Paris mgde a formal notification to the French Directory of the opening of our Na-tional Convention, through the French minister of Foreign affairs. The following are the copies of

STATE PAPERS.

LIBERTY-EQUALITY-FRATERNITY. The Minister Plenipotentiary of the Batavian Republic, te Charles Dolacroix, Minister of Foreign affairs.

Citizen Minister,
The underligned Ministers Plenipotentiary of the Batavian Republic have the honor officially to inform the French Government, that after a number of difficulties happily overcome, their National Convention opened its public fittings on the first of March, (old flile,) and that from that day the States General have no longer an existence. The diplomatic body are in consequence not to treat on political subjects but with the new government which the Convention is about to organize. This day, citizen minister, will be accounted one of the most happy for the Dutch nation. History will transmit it to posterity as forming the fecond epoch of the deliverance of that country which feems called on for her deftiny to overturn the thrones of tyrants William V. on imitating the conduct of Philip II. found amongst the true Batavians the same impati-ence under the yoke, and the same eagerness to break their chains. Why should the natural soil of liberty reckon still some slaves amongst the number

Under the aufpices of a great nation which liberty has conducted for four years from victory to victory, land which has made the proudest years to trembe—guided by that mass of light which has majestically attien at every period of the French Revolution, the Batavian convention cannot but appear great in its labors, and the refult, to the people whom it has the honor to represent, cannot be otherwise than happy. It will auswer, you may rely, citizen Minister, to the hopes of our deliverers and will act upon the models which they have fur-nished. It will never swerve from those great principles of justice, which the French people have fnatched from oblivion, to mark the line which they have prescribed to themselves.

(Signed.) MEYER.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs to the Citizens Blauw and Meyer, Ministers Plenipotentiary of the Batavian Republic at Paris.

" I have communicated, citizens, to the Directory the note which you have transmitted to me .-They have learned with the most lively fatisfaction the opening of your National Convention. Convinced that the formation of such a central authority can alone unite the Batavian people—extinguish that spirit of sederalism which paralysed its energies, and its means of raishing converse. and its means of relifting oppression—and give a vigorous government the sole guarantee of the rights of the people, the Directory have seconded as far as it could be done without injury to your independence, the efforts of the true friends of liberty.— This falutary end is accomplished. Your Conven- 150 Tierces of prime New Orleans Rice. tion has opened its fittings. May this titular authority protect the cradle of Batavian liberty! May this new Hercules stifle in its nervous arms the ferpents of Royalism and anarchy which endeavor to wrap it in their folds, and to embarrass its proceedings. May it give you a wife constitution pro tective of liberty and equality, a government powerful for good and weak for evil. May you attain the proper goal which the French nation are now abot to reach, without purchasing it by those long con-vulsions, those painful excesses, and those acute agonies, which with us have aggravated its price.

The Executive Directory, faithful to the friendship which united the two republies, and to the principles of good faith which form the tule of its conduct, will defend your independence without, and will support your constituted authorities with-in, with all the influence of a friendship founded on a common interest.

It is pleafant for me, citizens, to be under fuch circumstances the interpreter of their sentiments, I partake of them with sincerity. I shall endeavor to realize them with zeal, and shall regard as the happiest days of my life those on which I shall contrioute to grave on the lift of freedom, the name of an nteresting people, who formerly atchieved their own independence, and who owe every thing to themselves even to the full which they inhabit, and which they have ravished from the Ocean.

Health and Fraternity. (Signed) DELACROIX.

> Philadelphia, June 17. NEW THEATRE.

The entertainments, announced for this evening, for the benefit of Mr. and Mrs. Rowson, are select-

ed and varied with great judgment, and promife as rich a treat for the amateurs of the drama, as any that has been ferved up this feafon.

It is hoped that the public will not be unmind-ful of those whom unkind-chance has thus thrown towards the close of the theatrical campaign, when even curiolity is tempted to turn her prying eye a-fide. To the remuneration of a benefit night, the ous and daughters of the lock and bulkin direct their longing eyes, during the too tedioully protrac-ted feafon of fatigue and exertion. This animates their hopes, and encourages their perfeverance, and of this boon it were eruel to deprive them.

To the ladies who have perused Charlotte, the

t is bound to Breft, and that the long preva- | Trials of the Heart, and the Fille de Chambre, and who can bear ample testimony to the laudable ten-dency of all the productions of Mrs. Rowson, it cannot be negeffary to use any recommendations of the respectable candidate for their favor, who unites in her person the double capacity of authoress and actress. They will, doubtless, extend that kind actention and patronage which reflect ec. al honour on the head and the heart of those who confer these.

FAYETTEVILLE, June 2.

Superior Court, Wilmington diffriel.

May Term, 1796.

THE Grand Jury, not assuming to themselves a capacity to decide upon the merits of the several treaties lately under discussion in Congress, but perfuaded that they were the best which under the extherefore found policy as well as the public tranquil-ity, required that the faid treaties should be satisfied and carried into effect, do resolve unanimously, That the Prefident of the United States, by ratifying the faid treaties, has exhibited a fresh proof of his wildom and patriotism; and that the members ofCongress, who from a regard to national faith, and the peace and happiness of the country, voted for the necessary appropriations for carrying the said treaties to operation, are justly entitled to the gratitude of their fellow citizens.

G. Hooper, Foreman. Lot Bullard Thomas C. Howe William E. Lord Jeffe Williams ames Moore Richard Quince sen. ames Middleton Holden M'Gee

William Jones John Calborda George Shephard Daniel Bourdenum John Colven Henry Gradely James Harper Stephen Daniel John London.

PROPOSALS A Plan of the City of Washington,
By THOMAS FREEMAN,
Surveyor of the territory of Columbia and City of Wash-

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IV. This work will be published under the fanction of the Commissioners of the Cary, and shall meet with their full approbation before it appears in public; and Mr. Freeman pledges himself to make it as accurate useful and entertaining as possible.

V. The price to subscribers 5 Dollars, to be paid on reception of the Plan and Pamphlet.

Surveyor's Office, City of Washington, June 8, 1796.

3 Subscriptions will be taken at the Surveyor's office, in the city; Mr. Rice's Bookstores in Baltimore and Philadelphia; and at the principal Bookstores on the Continent. June 17

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At 3 o'clock, to morrow afternoon, will be jold by

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June 17

The Confignees and owners of Goods on board the above ship, will please to be early in their applications for them, as they are now discharging.

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