

and beat her off. At this time the rest of the ships had got within two miles of us. We made all the sail we could, but it was in vain. In three hours the Pomona and Tenedos were along side, and the Majestic and Endymion close to us. All that was now left for me to do, was to receive the fire of the nearest ships and surrender, for it was vain to contend with the whole squadron.

"My loss has been severe; the precise number I do not know, but believe it to be between eighty and ninety; of this number twenty five are killed. Babbit, Hamilton and Howell are amongst the slain, Mr. Dale is wounded, but is doing well.

"I am in great haste—We sail to day for Bermuda."

[In addition to the foregoing, it is stated in a letter from a midshipman, late of the Prest. dated on board H B M ship Pomona That since the action they had a severe gale in which it was supposed the President was lost; and that Com. Decatur was wounded.

The Majestic was formerly a 74; but lately reduced to a razee—the Endymion rated 40 guns; and the Pomona and Tenedos rated each, at 38 guns

Extract of letter from a Gentleman in New London, to his friend in this city, dated January 23d.

"I have only time to inform you that a communication has just been received from Ad. Hotham, stating that the President frigate was taken on the 15th inst. by a squadron of his B. Majesty's ships. The fact is, she was taken, as was stated, on the 15th inst. by four of their vessels of war, after an action of four hours and a half, with the loss of the 1st (Babbit) 4th (Hamilton) and 5th (Howell) Lieuts. killed on board the Prest. and a large number of men killed and wounded. These facts I have in a letter from an officer who was on board the President, and may be relied on. You may be assured our flag has suffered nothing in this contest, and I believe has gained great reputation, our officers were on board the Pomona frigate, bound to Bermuda.—Com. Decatur was in good health.

Another letter states, that of the 18 midshipmen on board the President, not one was hurt during the engagement—and that the loss of the crew was but trifling.

Another letter says, the Endymion was silenced before the Pomona commenced the attack

FROM THE WEST-INDIES.

Capt. Seldy left St. Bartholomews on the 12th inst. at 6 P. M. on which day, he was chased an hour by a privateer—The Barbadoes sloop of war left there at 12 o'clock for the Sombara passage, to wait for the Solby. About 12 days before Capt. S. sailed the Barossa frigate fell in with a Spanish sloop of war in the night. The frigate fired a shot to bring the sloop to, when the Spaniard wore round, brought his guns to bear, and poured a broadside into the Barossa, which killed 3 men, and wounded several others. After which the frigate returned the broadside, when the Spanish crew all ran below. The Barossa had a 32 pound shot through the head of her mainmast, had her rigging considerably cut, and was obliged to put into one of the Islands to repair damages.

Port of NEW-LONDON, (Con.) January 25.

CAPTURE of the PRESIDENT.

On Monday afternoon a flag came up from the enemy's squadron off this port, was brought to off Fort Trumbull, and delivered a letter of which the following is a copy.

"Rear Admiral Hotham, has the honor to request General Cushing will please to convey the enclosed letter to the Lady of commodore Decatur—who the Rear Admiral begs leave to acquaint General

Cushing, is gone to the Bermudas in good health, on board the Endymion—having been captured in the U. States frigate President, on the 15th inst. by a detachment of his Majesty's ships.

"H. M. Ship Superb,
Off New London, 23d Jan. 1815.

The letters were from Commodore Decatur to his Lady, and other officers to their friends—and none official. The officer who came with the flag declined making any verbal communication. A letter from an officer to his friend was read in town and forwarded. It was written on board the Pomona. It briefly stated that the President was captured in the afternoon of the 15th inst. after an action of four hours and a half by four British ships. That the first, fourth and fifth lieutenants were killed, and the sailing master and two midshipmen wounded, with a great loss of men. The lieutenants killed we understand are Messrs Babbit, M. C. Perry, (Brother to Commodore Perry,) and Hamilton, son of the late Secretary of the navy.

It appears, that the enemy prohibited any particulars of the action from being communicated—from which we must infer that although they gained a frigate, they have reaped no laurels from the capture.

The President sailed from New York on Saturday evening, and on Sunday morning before sunrise, the Majestic Razee, which lay near Plumb Island, got under way in the greatest haste, and proceeded to sea, leaving her water casks principally on shore. A remarkable circumstance, which leads to the suspicion that information of the sailing of the President was received by traitorous communication, in 12 hours after her sailing—which, probably, led to her capture.

The action must have been principally a running one, and nearly parallel to the coast of Long Island, as the firing was distinctly heard at Stonington and Newport.

It appears before the brave Commodore struck his flag, he was assailed by the frigates Pomona, Forth, and Endymion, and the razee Majestic—and we have no doubt that in this bloody and lamented action, a new glory perched on the American standard.

FROM ORLEANS.

Extract of a letter, dated Orleans, Dec. 23. MID NIGHT.

Intelligence has just been received of the British having landed (force variously stated, the extent not more probably than 6,000) about 8 miles below town, whither Gen. Jackson hurried off with troops to meet them. An engagement took place last evening between the advance guard, in which the enemy were repulsed. Fifty of their men with two majors, have been brought in prisoners. A more general action is expected to-day. The General has since taken a position about three miles in rear, where he is entrenching himself. The enemy effected their landing upon Gen. Miller's plantation by way of the bayou back of it, issuing into lake Borgne.

EIGHT DAYS LATER.

Extract of a letter to his excellency Gov. Blount, from Col. Andrew Hynes, dated Orleans City, Dec. 30.

The British have landed with a large army, and are now within about five miles of the city of Orleans. We began fighting them on the night of the 23d. inst. and have been at it ever since, but the principal mischief has been done by cannonading. Gen. Coffee's division of the army covered themselves with glory, on the night of the 23d. His loss was considerable, among them the brave col. Lauderdale and major Cavanaugh. Cois. Dyer and Gibson were wounded. Whatever may be the issue of the pending conflict rests only with Heaven. A detachment is this moment advancing from our lines on the enemy, and our heavy artillery are firing almost constantly on them.

Day before yesterday the brave col. Henderson and some others were killed by the advance of the enemy's column on the left wing of our army.

Gens. Jackson, Carrol and Coffee are worth more than their weight in gold to the American Government.

Admiral Cochrane is said to be with the army, and is perhaps not more than a mile from us.

This is said to be the army that took Washington.

Gen. Kean is said to be the commander,

GEORGIA INVADED.

THE ENEMY LANDED ON CUMBERLAND.

We have at length certain accounts of the enemy having landed on Cumberland Island. An express passed through this place to-day at 2 o'clock P. M. for Camp Covington, addressed to General Floyd, from Captain Massias, the commanding officer at Point Peter. By the express we have learnt the following particulars—that the enemy landed in divisions. One at Plumb Orchard and the other at Dungeness, in 30 barges, containing about two thousand men, blacks and whites.

A great part of the fleet (8 or 10 vessels) were off St. Andrew's bar, and many of their barges attempted to pass the fort of Point Peter, but were fired on and compelled to retreat. It is not yet known how many troops they have actually with them or what their intentions are. We think that it is the van of a force destined against the southern coast, which in all probability will desolate the sea-lands between this and St. Mary's, and then make an attack on Savannah: to-morrow we shall be able to give a further and more particular account.

We have just seen a gentleman direct from Amelia, who corroborates the above, and states that the enemy have not been on Amelia island, as was reported in town last night.

Col. Scott in his official report to Gen. Floyd, states, that when he heard the enemy were advancing against the town of St. Mary's, he proceeded to it himself; and when he arrived, he found that Maj. Clark and Mr. Saddler had been appointed by the inhabitants to carry a flag to the enemy to capitulate; that the enemy offered honorable terms if the town would surrender; and that it would be laid ashes in case of a refusal. He further adds, that he never experienced so much alarm; that the inhabitants were flying in every direction; and that if he did not get reinforced, scarce a family would be left in the county. It is supposed Savannah will be their next object. Never did a blacker cloud impend over any people, than that which rises in the South.

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LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post-Office, Bellefonte, Jan. 1, 1815, which if not redeemed will be sent to the General Post Office in 3 months from this date.

Philip Antis, James Armstrong, John Abis, James Anison, 2; John Adams, Matthew Allison, Nicholas Alexander, Nathaniel Beck, Benjamin Brooks, Henry Binder, John Cook, Daniel Carter, Jesse Cookson, Anariah Coburn, Mrs. Jane Clark, Phinehas Davison, John Endsley, Jacob Emrich, John Hanson, Enoch Hastings, Jacob Hether, Patrick Hughs, Thomas Hastings, Henry Hoy, 2; James Harbison, Isabella Henderson, Jacob Holter, Isaac Jones, Jno Johnston, David Johnston, Anthony Kennedy, Caleb Kephart, Christopher Keatley, Michael Myers, Samuel Miles, Mary McKerrigan, Thomas McClenned, 2; Philip Moser, James McIntoch, James Newill, David Nicholson, Wm. Nixon, Joseph Orwig, Jane Paton, John Patterson, Job Packer, Wm. Petrikim, 9; Hugh Quinn, 2; Col. Matthew Rodgers, Wm. Russel, 2; George Records, George Seltzer, George Sweany, Spencer, Eve Stroupe, Margaret and Mary Steer, Eleanor Steer, John S. Sedam, Samuel Taggart, Absolam Tins, Joseph Updegraff, 2; Isaac Updegraff and John Irwin, Jesse Williams, Charles Wilson, Benjamin Way, Herrman Younge.

R T STEWART, P. M.

FOR SALE.

Will be sold at private sale, a tract of Land containing 25 acres, in Centre County, Halfmoon township, formerly the property of James Shehan whereon is about 10 or 12 acres of good meadow, a young bearing orchard, a good spring. The land is of a good quality. About 45 acres are cleared. Terms of sale may be known by applying to the owners.

Christian King,
John Yoder.

Jan. 23d.

NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given, to all persons that are in any way indebted to the estate of John Barber, late of Centre county, Esq. deceased, to make payment to either of the subscribers, before the 1st day of February next, as on that day, all notes and accounts unpaid will be put in suit—and every person having any legal demand against the said estate, will please to present their accounts for payment.

JAMES DUNCAN, }
J. G. LOWREY, } Adm'rs.

December 28, 1814.

A quantity of BLANK EXECUTIVE PAPERS for sale at this Office.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, That by an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide additional revenues for defraying the expenses of government, and maintaining the public credit, by duties on sales at auction, and on licences to retail wines spirituous liquors, and foreign merchandize, and for encreasing the rates of postage," passed the 23d December, 1814, an additional duty of one hundred per centum on sales at auction and an additional duty of 50 per centum on licenses to retailers are laid, to take effect from the 1st day of February 1815 conformably to which act, that can be inspected at this office, new obligations are imposed on auctioniers, and the said additional duty on licenses to retailers, is to be paid on written application to be made by them, as well by those who have obtained licenses for periods extending beyond the 1st day of February, 1815, as by others, in the way therein prescribed, agreeably to forms which can be obtained from the Collector.

Given under my hand this 9th day of January, 1815.

Wm. H. PATTERSON,

Collector of the Revenue for the 19th Collection District of Pennsylvania.

Potter's Mills, 9th January, 1815.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, That agreeably to the act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide additional revenues for defraying the expenses of government and maintaining public credit by laying duties on spirits distilled within the United States and territories thereof, and by amending the act laying duties on licenses to distillers of spirituous liquors, passed December 21, 1814, every person who shall after the first day of February, 1815, distil spirits, within the United States, as required, in addition to the duty on the licence already taken, or hereafter to be taken by him, to pay twenty cents a gallon on all spirits distilled after that day, or subject to the limitation in the said act expressed to pay twenty five cents a gallon on all such spirits, in which case no licence is required to be taken, and that agreeably to the said act a bond is required previous to the said day, to be given to the collector, and other duties required to be performed under penalties therein prescribed.

That the distiller may be correctly advised of the duties incumbent on him to discharge, an abstract of the several acts of Congress subjecting stills and boilers, and spirits to duty, has been prepared, a copy of which with annexed forms of statements required from a distiller, will be furnished to him by the Collector on demand.

The Collector will also furnish, blank bonds, and such other blanks as will enable the distiller to comply with the several provisions of law.

WM H. PATTERSON.

Collector 19th District Penn.

Collectors' Office, Jan 9

LANDS FOR SALE.

A tract of Land situate in Halfmoon township, Centre county Pennsylvania, Contains 50 acres, 6 of which are in a state of cultivation, and adjoining lands of Thos. Downing, Joseph Yoder and others. This lot is of the first quality of lime-stone land in the neighborhood.

An indisputable title will be given. For terms apply to the subscriber, living near the premises.

DAVID HOLLINGSWORTH.

Halfmoon, Jan 20th, 1814.

TO THE CREDITORS OF SAMUEL WILLIS, GENTLEMEN,

Take Notice, That I have applied to the Court of Common pleas of the County of Westmoreland, by petition, for the benefit of the insolvent laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and that the said Court have appointed the third Monday of February next, for the hearing of me and my creditors, at the court house in the Borough of Greensburgh, in said County of Westmoreland, when and where you may attend to shew cause if any you have, why I shall not receive the benefit of the laws, and I be discharged from confinement.

SAMUEL WILLIS,

Westmoreland Jail, January 5th, 1815.

WANT: D

IMMEDIATELY two or three JOURNEYMEN TAYLORS, to whom generous wages and constant employment will be given, by

HENRY STEWART.

November 5, 1814.