

NEW-YORK, October 16.
From London papers to September 4, received at the
office of the Daily Advertiser.
RUSSIA.

STATE PAPER.
Declaration of war of the emperor of all the Russias,
against Spain.

We, by the grace of God, Paul, I. &c. &c. do herewith make known to all our faithful subjects, that we and allies have resolved to overthrow the lawless government now ruling France, and we have therefore risen against it with all our forces. The Almighty has blessed our arms to this very day, and crowned all our enterprises with victory and success. Among the small number of European powers apparently attached to the French government, but in fact, powers that are only afraid of the vengeance of this government, the out cast of God, struggling with the last agonies of dissolution, Spain has, more than all the rest, shown her fear of, or attachment to France, not by giving her actual succours, but by armaments. In vain have we made use of all our resources to open to that power the real path to honour and glory, by combining with us; she has persisted obstinately in the measures and wanderings destructive of herself; and thus have we at last found ourselves under the necessity of sending back her charge d'affairs at our court, Odiz. But having since that received information, that our own charge d'affairs, too, counsellor Butzow, has been compelled to quit the king of Spain's dominions within a term unto him limited, we deem this an insult, committed upon our imperial dignity, and do hereby declare war; giving orders at the same time, to impose sequestration on all Spanish ships in our harbours, and to confiscate the same, and to send orders to the commanders of all our land and sea forces, to act with hostility every where against all the subjects of the king of Spain. Done at Peterhoff, July 26, 1799, in the year of our reign.

(Signed) PAUL.

PETERSBURG, August 2.

The Court Gazette contains a letter from Ghezar Pacha, dated 30th Stegisha (May 24);—"Buonaparte thought on his arrival at Jaffa, to intrench himself there, and ordered the corps of Gaza, Acan, Anica, to join him. He also began to draw ditches, and to erect batteries; but as soon as he learned that troops were sent out to cut off his retreat, for which the necessary orders had been dispatched to the Arabs, he feared to be totally lost at Jaffa; thus supposing that it would be impossible for him any longer to resist, he took his flight from thence to Gaza on the 26th. One corps were immediately ordered in pursuit, and another took possession of Jaffa, where I opened a mullim.

"On the flight to Jaffa, the enemy has given proofs of his savageness, by destroying all works and setting the town on fire in several places. His own batteries and intrenchments however remained—"With assistance of the Most High, those out casts of infidels have been completely defeated, and their total destruction is now unavoidable." On the 24, the sublime Porte received by a tartane from Ghezar Pacha, news, that during the 56 days of the siege of Acre, there had not been a day without hard fighting, which reduced the Turkish force so far as to be very near surrendering, if they had not received a timely reinforcement from Rhodes of 6000 men, under command of Hasen Bey. Ghezar Pacha profited by this lucky moment, paid every man of his corps in full, and ordered them to be prepared for the next day, the 10th of May, when he made such a sortie, which the French could not resist, but took to flight, after having burnt every thing they could not carry off. The cavalry was sent in pursuit, which killed a number of Frenchmen. According to the assertion of prisoners, Buonaparte received several wounds, and only reached Jaffa with the utmost difficulty. The Pacha also advises, that the tribe of Arabs, called Urban, has risen against Buonaparte, and joined him, the Pacha, against the common enemy. Buonaparte has been twice wounded in Syria.

BALTIMORE, October 21.
Important Decision.

Very interesting to American merchants.
HIGH COURT OF ADMIRALTY.

LONDON, August 23.

The case of the Nymph and Minerva.

IS of very great importance to American merchants. The first ship sailed from Philadelphia on a voyage to Corunna in Spain. She mounted 16 guns and carried 40 men; she met with a French privateer, and after an action in which there were four killed and seven wounded, the captain was obliged to strike. The second day afterwards she was retaken by his majesty's ship Sea Horse. Ship and cargo being American property, the same was claimed by the proprietor, after allowing a salvage of one eighth part. The captor claimed the whole, the ship having been in the enemy's possession, or, in the language of Civilians, *permanens* with the captors above 24 hours, which makes it the property of the enemy; and, of course, a full prize to the ship that makes the recapture. Three special arguments have already been had upon this case, and yesterday it was agreed that the main question should stand over for further evidence.

The agent for the American merchants personally addressed the court. He prayed that the ship and cargo might be bailed out, upon paying down the salvage of one eighth. Dr. Nicoll, for the captors, resisted this prayer, because the whole property ought to be sold, and the net proceeds vested in the funds, to supply the profits to the party that should ultimately prevail. The agent then proposed to bail the property,

and give security for five per cent. interest, until the great question was finally settled. This was rejected, on account of the risks in trade. Dr. Lawrence observed, that to shut up from circulation so much property frequently occasioned failures; and that the Swedes and Danes had experienced that lenity. The court replied, that the favour to those two nations was sanctioned by a late act of parliament, especially passed for that purpose, which bore not the least analogy to the present case. The agent still pressing the court to favour the claimants, the judge in very plain terms told him, that he could see no ground or reason why the colonies, which had separated from the mother country, should have more favour than any other people. The court gave judgment, that the recaptors were entitled to one eighth part for salvage, in the first instance: that the ship and cargo should be subject to the final adjudication respecting the seven eighths. A further application was attempted to be made, when the judge replied, "I have given my decree"—The ship *Minerva* being in the same predicament a similar judgment was given.

Annapolis, October 24.

The following gentlemen are elected members of the house of delegates in the ensuing general assembly, to wit:

For Calvert county, Walter Mackall, William M. Carcaud, Roger B. Taney and William Brome, Esquires.

For Cecil county, Philip Thomas, Job Haines, Joseph Wallace and John Rumsey, Esquires.

For Queen-Anne's county, Thomas Wright, Charles Frazier, Joseph Thompson and Stephen Lowry, Esquires.

For Frederick county, Francis B. Sappington, Henry R. Warfield, John Thomas and David Shriver, Esquires.

For Harford county, John Street, Nicholas D. McComas, Thomas Ayres and James Bond, Esquires.

Baltimore city, Archibald Buchanan and George Johonnot, Esquires.

For Washington county, John Buchanan, Ambrose Geoghegan, James McCaine and John Cellar, Esquires.

For Montgomery county, Robert P. Magruder, George Riley, Thomas Turner and Eiemeleck Swearingen, Esquires.

To be SOLD,

By private bargain,

THREE tracts or parcels of LAND, lying in Anne-Arundel county, two of which are part of Anne-Arundel Manor, lying about half a mile from the cross roads, the other about the same distance from Mrs. Rawlings's tavern, on the Mount Pleasant road to Marlborough from Annapolis; they will be sold altogether, separately, or in lots, as purchasers may incline. For terms apply to the subscriber, at Doden, near South river church.

DAVID STEUART.

October 23, 1799.

By virtue of an order from the orphan's court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on Tuesday the 26th of November, at the subscriber's dwelling house,

THE personal property of KITTY MARRIOTT, late of said county, deceased, consisting of a negro woman and a boy. The terms will be made known on the day of sale.

THOMAS WARFIELD.

Anne-Arundel county, October 23, 1799.

Forty Dollars Reward,

FOR apprehending the three following villains, namely, negro TOM, who calls himself captain MAYNARD, a low chunky fellow, of a yellowish complexion, about 32 years old, bow-legged, when spoken to is apt to stoop his head, and move his eyelids quickly, leers, and thereby discovers the whites of his eyes.

TONY who calls himself ANTHONY SMALLWOOD, a black fellow, about 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, and about 31 years of age, straight and well made; both of said fellows speak softly and smoothly.

TOM, who calls himself TOM TILLARD, a black fellow, about 5 feet 6 inches high, bow-legged, and although young has a wrinkled face, wears his wool in whiffers, if closely examined stammers much.

Captain Maynard, the above negro Tom, returned late on Monday evening last, being absent since the Saturday morning before, when the overseer spoke to him he was insolent, and being apprehensive of correction, Tom, with his axe, and the other two with long tobacco knives kept off the overseer, and went off. These fellows have wives in Prince George's county, in the neighbourhood of Queen-Anne and Upper-Marlborough, and are well acquainted for many miles round those places. The above reward will be given for securing them in goal, so that I get them again, or proportionably for each, and all reasonable charges, if brought home, will be paid by

JOHNSON M. O'REILLY,

near South river ferry, Anne-Arundel county.

October 21, 1799.

NOTICE

I INTEND to apply to the general assembly of Maryland for an act of insolvency.

JOHN BALZER.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that the Levy Court of Anne-Arundel county will meet at the city of Annapolis, on the first Monday of November next, to settle and adjust the accounts of the several supervisors of public roads in said county, who have not heretofore settled the same.

By order,

NICH. HARWOOD, Cl. L. court A. A. C.
October 18, 1799.

Boyd's Mill and Land for Sale.

On Wednesday, the 20th November next, if fair, if not the first fair day thereafter, will be sold, on the premises, for READY MONEY,

ONE hundred and twenty acres of land in Prince George's county, part of AMPLE GRANGE, at present in the occupation of Benjamin Boyd. On this land is a valuable mill, and other valuable improvements.

N. B. Mr. Boyd will shew the property to any person inclinable to purchase.

CHARLES WALLACE.

Annapolis, October 16, 1799.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscribers intend to apply to the next Frederick county court, for a commission to mark and bound part of a tract of land, in Frederick county, the property of the subscribers, called HEDGEC HOG, agreeably to the directions of the act of assembly, entitled, An act for marking and bounding land.

MARY and WILLIAM HEDGES.

Frederick county, September 7, 1799.

A LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post-Office at Port-Tobacco, October 1, 1799.

THOMAS ARVIN.

William Boswell,

John or William Barnes,

John Barnes, Esquire, 2,

John Barnes.

Jacob Clements,

Stephen Cavood

Doct. Hezekiah Dent.

Andrew Flood.

James Gardiner,

John Griffin.

Rhody Hambleton,

John Hare,

William Hare,

John Haw.

Jesse Jamelton.

Notley Luckett.

John Maddox.

Alexander Scott.

William Timms,

William Thompson.

Charles Williamson.

Levin Wailes.

SAMUEL HANSON, P. M.

Port-Tobacco, October 7, 1799.

LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Post-Office, Piscataway, the 1st of October, 1799, which, if not taken up before the first of January, 1800, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

JOHN ADDIRSON, Esq; Prince George's county.

Thomas G. Addison, Esq; Prince G. county.

Mr. John Boone, near Piscataway, 2.

Miss Ann F. Beall, near Piscataway.

Nicholas Blacklock, Esq; near Piscataway, 2.

Capt. Robert A. Beall, near Piscataway.

John Smith Brookes, Esq; Upper-Marlbro', P. G. C. Maryland.

Doct. William Baker, near Piscataway.

Mrs. Claryea Bond, near Piscataway, P. G. C. Maryland.

Maj. Joseph Cross, near Bladensburg, P. G. C. Maryland.

Mr. Joseph Coombs, near Piscataway, 2.

The right rev. Thomas Jno. Clagett, Prince-George's county.

Mr. Henry Davidson, Piscataway.

Miss Diggs, Warburton.

Miss Margaret Fleming, at Mr. Judson Clagett's, Piscataway.

Mr. W. W. Harwood, Upper-Marlbro', P. G. C. Maryland.

Mr. Alexander Hamilton, Piscataway, Maryland.

Mr. Leonard Jenkins, Piscataway, 2.

Messrs Lowes, Prince-George's county.

Mr. George Lee, Poplar Hill, Charles county.

Mr. Thomas Lansdale, Queen-Anne.

Mr. Thomas Mundell, merch. Piscataway.

Doct. Thomas Marshall, Mount Ararat, P. G. C. Maryland.

Mr. Richard Morland, Prince-George's county.

William Marbury, Esq; near Piscataway, P. G. county.

Mr. Henry M'Pheron, at or near Piscataway.

Mr. Joshua Mudd, near Piscataway, P. G. C.

Mr. William Richardson, Prince G. county.

Mr. Edward A. Price, Port-Tobacco.

Mr. Robert Simms, near Piscataway.

Mr. William Tyler, Piscataway.

Mr. James Virmillion, near Piscataway, Maryland.

Mr. Benoni F. Wedg, merch. Piscataway.

Mr. John Woods, merch. Piscataway, Maryland.

Monsieur Monsieur Gacqa Fenwick, pour remitta a

Pierre F. B. Dejean, courgivil, a Piscataway, en

Maryland.

ISIDORE HARDEY, P. M.

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JOHN RIGBY.

September 18, 1799.