

Yesterday (says the New York Commercial Advertiser of Tuesday last) the country seat belonging to the late general Hamilton, called the GRANGE, situated at Hamden, was sold at public auction, at the Tontine Coffee House, and purchased by Archibald Gracie, Esq. for the sum of 30,500 dollars.

Ireland, according to a recent enumeration, contains 12,001,200 Irish acres, 687,118 houses, and 5,496,944 inhabitants.

The Boston Palladium (fed.) states the votes, for Governor of Massachusetts, from 201 towns to be, for Strong 22995 Sullivan 18716

Extract of a letter from Cadix, received by a respectable house in Philadelphia, dated February 23, 1865.

We beg leave to confirm our last respects to you on the 28th ultimo. We applied you in our last of the blockade of our port by the British commander on this station. He, however, afterwards announced, that vessels laden with provisions would not be prevented from coming in, and accordingly a number of cargoes of wheat and flour from different quarters have since arrived here. Such, however, has been the urgent demand for both these articles that the last cargo of 3000 barrels of flour for sale in our bay, has been disposed of at the noble price of 23 1/2 dollars per barrel on board, for the use of our navy, and at ready money. The above price will clearly show how great our wants must be, and to which we must add, that at present there is not a single fanega of wheat or barrel of flour for sale here. Therefore the first importation of either article will undoubtedly command very high prices. We must further add, that we do not expect any material decline in our prices until the collection of our ensuing crop takes place, which, according to every appearance, by no means promises to be very abundant. Our government actually permits the produce of wheat and flour to be shipped hence in specie, on paying the customary duty of near 7 per cent.

Flour 23 1/2 dollars per barrel. Wheat 4 1/2 per bushel. Rice 12 per 100 lb. Indian Corn 2 a 2 1/2 per bushel. Staves 110 a 120 per 1200.

A farmer in the river towns of the county of Hampshire, when he rides into the meadows to work, carries with him a rope 15 or 20 feet in length. Being arrived at the place of destination, he tethers out his horse to feed, by driving the stake or hub, into the ground one foot, he then ties one end of the rope to the stake that is above ground, and fastens the other end of the rope to the horse's fore foot, that he may feed during the time of his stay, and not range at large to the injury of his neighbor's ground. The horse feeds round the hub, and every step he takes round it shortens his tether and brings him nearer to it, till at length he completely winds up himself to the hub by the fore foot, and can feed no further than the length of his neck will admit. He has no skill to unwind himself, and so remains fast at the hub till the owner comes and relieves him. So it is with the Federalists; they have completely wound up themselves to the hub; they had good length of rope during Mr. Adams's reign, and found a rich pasture, but every step they have taken has shortened their tether round the hub, till they have completely wound themselves up; and they have no wisdom to unwind themselves, and must so remain till the republicans lengthen out the rope by which they are held in due bounds, and without which they would range at large to the great injury of society. They rage and gnaw the turf, kick and fret the asses, but their foot is fast. Puttfield (Mass.) Sun.

The following translated extract of a letter to a French gentleman in this city, is so minute in its details as to have considerable plausibility, were it not opposed by the late Mediterranean news, & by advices from Guadalupe to the 19th March, which latter are silent on the subject. [Fed. Gaz. Guadalupe, March 16.]

"I have to inform you, that the two French squadrons have united—one from Toulon, and the other from Rochefort. The latter has made terrible havoc amongst the enemy—from seven to eight hundred vessels, large and small, having been taken, sunk, or burnt; besides which, the squadron has raised contributions in all the English Windward Islands. Spanish Trinidad alone, taken by the Toulon squadron, has escaped contribution, as the French have placed a garrison in it, and mean to keep it in their possession. The united squadrons consist of 23 sail of the line and 21 frigates, besides 30 other vessels, such as corvettes, transports, &c. making in all 74 sail. The precise object of the expedition is a profound secret, all the officers having their orders sealed. It is said that there are eighteen thousand

men on board this fleet.—You may, if you think proper, communicate the above information to your friends."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Huntingdon, to his friend in Lancaster, dated March 25 1865

"A Coalmine was, some years since, discovered upon the lands of Samuel Riddle, Esq. on the Raytown branch of the Juniata, about 25 miles south west of this place; which promises fair to be a source of great profit to the proprietor, and convenience to the inhabitants of this and other Towns on or near the River.

"In the course of the last spring, some Persons, in the neighbourhood of the mine obtained permission to dig coal, which they carried down the river; and, altho' the greater part of what they dug was taken from the surface of the bank; and, through want of care, mixed with slate and gravel; the character given of the coal was such, as to encourage Mr. Riddle to employ an experienced Miner, who has lately opened the Mine to a considerable extent, and has discovered a second stratum of pure coal, running in a horizontal line, of the thickness of 10 feet and upwards.

"From this mine, 2 laborers, with a cart and a pair of oxen, dig and carry to the river 120 bushels per day.

"Several Boatmen have, for some weeks past, been engaged in preparing Crafts to carry the Coal to Market, and 4 or 5 Arks will be in readiness to let out for Harrisburg and Columbia, with the first flood.

"I understand that Mr. Riddle sells the coal to the Boatmen, upon the bank, at 7 or 8 cents per bushel. What price they will be able to afford it at, in Columbia I cannot say; but, as the Neighbourhood of the mine abounds in excellent timber for Arks, which can be built at a trifling expense, I have not a doubt but that, if such encouragement were given, as to induce the Boatmen of the neighbourhood generally to engage in the trade, the citizens of Lancaster could, in the course of the next season, procure an abundant supply, upon very moderate terms."

PRICES CURRENT.

HAVANNA, March 18. Imports.—Flour, superfine 20 a 25 dollars bul; beef, prime 15; pork, prime 18; butter in firkins, cwt. 25; lard in firkins 22; hams 30; Cattle soap 30; American soap 20; bees wax 40 a 44; Spanish brandy, pipe 120; French brandy 125; gin 10, cask; pipe bonds 1,000 f. 40; hoops for hds. M. 80; white R. platillas, piece, 22; Russia sheeting 38; white rolls, s. p. 5 1/2; etopillas, plain 5 1/2. Exports.—Sugar, white, cwt. 15 to 16 reals arroba; brown do. 11 1/2 a 12 do. do. coffee, 20 dolls; raw hides, piece, 2; logwood, cwt. 2 1/2 dollars.

Observations.—Provisions have fallen in price since the opening of the port, owing to arrivals from the Southward, and exportation of large supplies from the Northward.

Provisions, since the opening of the port, have been subject to a duty of 32 1/2 per cent. A modification will take place in a few days, both as respects provisions and the duties heretofore paid on Dry Goods.

All the above articles were expected to fall 10 per cent. in the course of a few days.

Captain Darrel has favoured us with Bermuda papers to the 23d ult. The paper of the 23d contains a list of those who have subscribed for the relief of the widows and orphans of those who fell on board the Cleopatra frigate, in the late action between her and the French frigate Ville de Milan. The same paper mentions the sailing of the Cleopatra for Halifax on the preceding Tuesday. The French frigate was to follow in a few days. The frigate Cambrian, Captain Beresford, had just arrived from a cruise. A schr. from New York arrived there on the 23d, supposed to be the vessel on board of which Col. Ward went passenger.

We have since learned, that Col. Ward arrived at Bermuda the 20th ult. who was sent out to claim the ship Manhattan; which vessel had not as reported received any damage. The sloop of war Bully (which captured the Manhattan) arrived at Bermuda from New York, two days before the Cato sailed. An American schooner from St. Domingo had just been sent in there by the Cambrian. [N. Y. Gazette.

SHIP NEWS

Port of Baltimore. CLEARED, Sch'r Commerce, Mann, Alexandria; Grace, Heard, Nottingham; Hercules, Felt, Salem; Sloop Polly, Turner, Newport. New York, April 10. Arrived yesterday, the ship Betsey, M'Dougal, in 25 days from Savannah; the ship, Jamaica. Sailed in co. the ship Richard Caton, of New York, for New Orleans.—Left no American vessels.—Captain M'Dougal has lost two of his people, viz. Roderick M'Ginnis and P. Gibbs. We have received Montego Bay papers to the 9th ult. but they are barren

of news. They mention the loss of the government schooner Redbridge, on the south side of that island.

Also, ship Minerva, Jones, of Newburyport, from a 28 months voyage on the coast of Cuba, and 180 days from the isle of Morcha, with 31,000 seal and furskins. Left on the coast, the ship Uncle Toby, of New York; ship Fame, Weyer, of Nantucket; ship Grand Sachem, Whippey, of New-Bedford; ship Diana, Long, of Nantucket; ship Margaret, Starbuck, of do; ship Henry, of do; ship Renown, of do; ship Serling, Starbuck, of do. Spoke, January 27, in lat. 19, S, long. 29, 30, ship Elizabeth, Downing, 45 days from Boston, for Sumatra; 31st, in lat. 15, 45, long. 29, ship Hampton, Isaacs, 30 days from Madeira, for Madras and Calcutta. February 27, was boarded by the French privateer Resolution, of Point Petre, and treated politely. March 9, in lat. 21, long. 63, schooner Fanny and Hartford, 10 days from Norfolk, for St. Thomas. 22d, in lat. 30, 15, long. 71, sloop Two Friends, 9 days from Wilmington, N. C. for St. Bartholomews. April 5, in lat. 57, 28, long. 74, 30, schooner Regular, Richardson, of Newburyport, 14 days from Baltimore, for Boston. Next day, the brig Rockingham, Sullivan, of Exeter, from Demerara, for Boston. March 3, was boarded by the French privateer Grand Decide, and treated politely. Captain Jones informs, that he lost on the 20th of October a most worthy man, named William Greenlow who was drowned on the surf.

Also, brig Eliza, Pendleton, in 16 days from St. Croix. Four days since, on the coast, was boarded by a British privateer. Also, schooner Antelope, Weaver, in 26 days from Jamaica. Sailed in co. from Havana, brig Fame, Drummond, of Norfolk, with flour, for a market, flour having fallen to 15 dollars, the duty on which was four dollars and 75 cents. Many other vessels with flour were on the eve of sailing with the cargoes for a market. Left the brig Minerva, just arrived from New York; sch'r Virginia, Forsyth, of Norfolk; schooner Mary, Johnson, of Baltimore, the two latter going for a market; schooner Dickinson, of Norfolk; schooner Commerce, Merrick, of New York; sch'r Plough Boy, Davis, of Norfolk. The ship Eliza, Evans, of Norfolk, from Jamaica, for Norfolk, was taken by a French privateer, and ran ashore by them between the Isle of Pines and Cuba in order to plunder her. The crew had arrived at Havana.

Also, British sloop Cato, Darrell, in 9 days from Bermuda. Passengers, Mr. Frith and family. The ship Manhattan, Lasher, of this port was still waiting for trial.

Also, sloop Atlantic, Darling, in 22 days from St. Pierre, Martinique.

Also, schooner Dorothy, Lefort, in 4 days from Baltimore.

Also, sloop President, Greene's, from Alexandria, with provisions for the U. States frigate John Adams, now in this port.

Also, schr. Dolphin, White, from Newbern.

Cleared, ships Mercury, McCreary, Liverpool; Centurion, Lord, Liverpool; brig Young Edward, Morris, Bordeaux.

The ship which we mentioned yesterday to be on shore near Little Egg Harbor, proves to be the Maryland, Adamson, from Batavia and the Isle of France, with a valuable cargo of sugar, coffee, indigo and spices, belonging to William Winthrop, of this city. She went ashore on Friday night last during the easterly gale, and bilged. It is expected that part of the cargo between decks will be saved, as some of it was landed on the beach, and lighters employed to bring it up.

Charleston, April 1. Arrived, brig Mary, Rice, Malaga; Ploughy R. Rich, Havana; Maryland, Serrell, Baltimore; Trial, Hunt, Philadelphia; sloop George Washington, Sturgis, New York; Three Sisters, Hall, New York.

March 22, lat. 30, 24, long. 72, cap. Rice was boarded by the British ship of war Leander, and treated politely. March 26, in lat. 31, 5, long. 78, 10, spoke brig Neptune, Talmage, 4 days from Savannah for Liverpool. Captain Rice passed in sight of Gibraltar, Feb. 3—saw no fleet off that place—the British flag was flying on the fortress.

Cleared, brig Neutrality, West, New York; schrs. Venus, Rhodes, do. Hazard, Rutherford, Baltimore; sloop Favorite, Larry, do.

April 2. Arrived, sloop Amelis, Richards, Cape Francois.

Cleared, brigs Venus, Showell, Bourdeaux; Tarrar, Muir, S. Thomas and Laguiria; Hope, Hayward, Havana; schr. Comfort, Drummond, Norfolk and Baltimore.

April 3. Captain Grant of the brig John and James, of this port, arrived in this city last evening. He was two days since taken out of schooner Julian, captain Jerkins from Kingston, bound to Newbern. The brig John and James cleared for this port for St. Thomas and Curacao. On the 22d of January on her passage from St. Thomas for Curacao, she was captured by the British frigate Diana, and sent into Aruba, a small island to the ward of Curacao, where the vessel was detained. Captain Grant took pas-

sage in another vessel bound to Kingston. All American vessels bound to Curacao, and which are sent to Jamaica, are condemned. The schr. Americana, belonging to captain Paine, of this place, was sent into Aruba, February 12—she was from Guadalupe, bound to Curacao.

A small pilot boat schooner belonging to Baltimore, and one of the fleet which lately sailed from Port-au-Prince, put into Kingston on the 26th February, with the loss of her main mast. She was in the fleet when they were engaged by two French privateers—the action commenced early in the morning, and lasted until dark in the evening, when the two privateers were beat off by the armed ship and brig conveying fleet. About sun set, one of the privateers run along side one of the unarmed brigs, and ordered her to follow him—but without putting any men on board, which the master for the preservation of the lives of his crew, was compelled to do. On discovering that one of the convoy was making off with the privateer, the American brig immediately gave chase, and brought her back into the fleet.

Captain Ellis informs, that on Saturday last, a boat arrived at Ocracock, in which were 16 men and one woman, the crew and passengers of a ship from Honduras for New York which had foundered on the southern edge of the Gulf a few days before. They were taken from the wreck by a schooner from the northward for this port or Savannah, the captains of which ran close into Ocracock Bar, and gave them his boat, in which they safely arrived.

Gould's Norfolk Packet VICTORY, Will sail for Norfolk on SUNDAY Morning, (14th inst) at 10 o'clock. April 13

The Partnership OF JOHNNOT & COOK, being dissolved by mutual consent, all persons to whom they are indebted are requested to bring in their accounts to Francis Johnnot, who is authorized to settle the same, and any claims not furnished by the first day of May next, will not be allowed. FRANCIS JOHNNOT, BERNARD H. COOK. April 13 d6t

FOR SALE BY Isaac M'Pherson, At the manufactory formerly owned by James Hickley, No. 30, Fayette street, BUIR MILL STONES, of different sizes, from 4 to 6 feet diameter, good materials and hands to make any other sizes that may be wanted. PLASTER OF PARIS in the stone and prepared for Stucco Work. Also just imported, A good assortment of BOLTING CLOTHS of the first quality. I wish to engage one or two good hands to butt Free Stone and Marble, for which good wages will be given. April 13 d4t

Dissolution of Partnership. THE co-partnership existing between the subscribers, trading under the firm of Finley, Taylor & Finley, will dissolve by mutual consent, on the 30th April, instant, all those who have claims against said firm will please present them for settlement, and those indebted make immediate payment to either of the subscribers. EBENEZER FINLEY, WILLIAM TAYLOR, THOMAS FINLEY. The Grocery, Flour & Commission Business will be continued, at the old stand, in Howard street, by Ebenezer Finley and Thomas Finley, under the firm of E. & T. Finley, who will constantly be supplied with a general assortment of Groceries and Liquors, which they will sell low, for cash. April 13 2aw16t

Debating Society, MET, according to appointment, at Alexander T. Davidson's large hall, the sign of Hope, No. 50, Market space, on Monday evening the 1st inst. when the following question was, in the presence of a large assemblage of members of the society, ably discussed... Which is the happiest man in this world, the rich rogue or the honest poor man? Decided in favor of the honest poor man. Questions for Debate on Monday evening next, April 15th: 1st. Who are the most to the sum of human happiness, the miser or the spendthrift? 2d. Are mankind at liberty to act otherwise than they do? Debates to commence precisely at 7 o'clock, where gentlemen who wish to promote the institution, are, by the ancient members, particularly requested to be punctual in their attendance, whereby those who have an inclination to take a part in the debate, will have the advantage of hearing the commencement. Tickets of admission 12 1-2 cents, to be had at the bar. All ladies who have an inclination to hear the debates will have free admission, and that, without the trouble of calling for tickets, and they are by the society particularly invited to honor them with their presence. Done by the committee of the society. April 13 2t

Baltimore Theatre. (NEVER ACTED HERE) This Evening, April 13, Will be presented, a admired Tragedy, in five acts, called CLEONE. Written by R. Dodsley and performed at the theatre in London with distinguished applause. After which, a Pantomimical Ballet, (composed by Mr. Francis) called The Miraculous Mill; OR, THE OLD GROUND YOUNG. To which will be added, a Musical Farce, (in 2 acts) called The Shipwreck.

THE Sale of the House and Lot in Charles street, as advertised for yesterday at 12 o'clock, is unavoidably postponed to Monday afternoon, the 15th instant, at 4 o'clock. VAN WYCK & DORSEY, Auctioneers. April 13

Sale by Auction. On MONDAY, The 15th instant, at 11 o'clock, at the auction room, at the head of Gay street dock, will commence the sale of A VARIETY OF DRY GOODS, Among which are, 4 cases German Linens, 2 bales India Mullins, An invoice of British Goods, And by order of the Orphans' court, A share in the New Theatre, And at 12 o'clock, 100 tierces prime Rice, 14 pipes Bordeaux Brandy, 7 do Teneze and Port Wine, 47 puncheons New England Rum, 4 do Jamaica do, 9 barrils and 17 hysgs coffee, 8 chests Imperial Tea, 14 cases Mar-ique Noyau, &c. &c. LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auctioneers. April 13

Sale by Auction. A Negro man about 35 years of age, 1 Chariot and Harness, A handsome stage, a pair of horses and harness, belonging to the estate of Mrs. Margaret Myers, will be sold, for cash, on MONDAY, the 15th instant, immediately after the Lots of Ground and other property as advertised. On TUESDAY, The 16th instant, at 11 o'clock, by order of the Orphans' court, will be sold by auction on the premises, A Lot of Ground fronting on North-Liberty street, 28 by 86 feet, belonging to the estate of Jonathan Meyers, deceased, on the lot is erected a Two Story Frame House, No. 78. The annual ground rent on the lot and terms of payment will be made known at the time of sale. On WEDNESDAY, The 17th instant, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon, will be sold on the premises, The Two NEW BRICK HOUSES on High street, Old Town, agreeably to a deed of trust from Thos. Levy, to Mr. Joseph Jamison, terms of which will be made known at the time of sale. THOMAS CHASE, Auctioneer. April 13.

Sale by Auction. On THURSDAY next, The 18th instant, at 9 o'clock, at the Vendue Warehouse, and at the corner of Second and Frederick streets, Will commence the sale of a general assortment of dry goods, being the property of a person who has declined that line of business, the description of the goods will appear in the papers previous to the sale. THOMAS CHASE, Auctioneer. April 13

Wanted to Charter, Two small vessels, of about 600 barrels each, for the West Indies, by HUGH THOMPSON. April 13 d4t

O. & J. Faller, At their wholesale and retail Shoe-Warehouse, 80, Market street. Have received from their Manufactory, A Part of their spring assortment of SHOES, which, together with their former extensive assortment, they offer for sale on the usual terms. They daily expect from their manufactory a large additional supply of Shoes. They also expect by the first arrivals from London, an assortment of Ladies' Kid and Morocco Slippers. April 13 604t

PROPOSALS For carrying mails of the United States, on the following post roads, will be received at the general post office in Washington, until the 10th day of July next inclusive: IN MARYLAND. 178. From Annapolis, by Rock Hall, to Chestertown once a week. Leave Annapolis every Thursday at 6 A. M. and arrive at Chestertown by 6 P. M. Leave Chestertown every Wednesday at 6 A. M. and arrive at Annapolis by 6 P. M. NOTES. 1. The Post-master General may expedite the mails and alter the times of arrival and departure at any time during the continuance of the contracts, he stipulating an adequate compensation for any extra expense that may be occasioned thereby. 2. Fifteen minutes shall be allowed for opening and closing the mails at all offices where no particular time is specified. 3. For every thirty minutes delay (unavoidable accidents excepted) in arriving after the time prescribed in any contract, the contractor shall forfeit one dollar; and if the delay continues until the departure of any depending mail, whereby the mails destined for each depending mail lose a trip, an additional forfeiture of five dollars shall be incurred. 4. Newspapers as well as letters are to be sent in the mail; and if any person making proposals, desires to carry newspapers, other than those conveyed in the mail, for his own emolument, he must state in his proposals for what sum he will carry with the emolument, and for what sum without the emolument. 5. Should any person making proposals desire an alteration of the times of arrival & departure above specified, he must state in his proposals the alteration desired, and the difference they will make in the terms of the contract. 6. Persons making proposals are desired to state their prices by the year. Those who contract will receive their pay quarterly, in the months of August, November, February and May, in one month after the expiration of each quarter. 7. No other than a free white person shall be employed to convey the mails. GIDEON GRANGER, Post Master General. GENERAL POST OFFICE, Washington City, February 25, 1865. April 13. 1aw6