STAR,
OR,
E'n. Shore General Advertiser.

EASTON, Tuesday Morning
August 23, 1803.

We learn that, the CONVENTION between the United States and France, ceding to us LOUISIANA, was ratified on the part of France by the first consul on the 22nd of May; and that Mr. Jay is on his way to this country with the ratification. *Nat. Intel.*

Extract of a letter from J. L. Cathcart, Esq. to the Secretary of State, dated, Leghorn 22d. June, 1803.

"The enclosed communication from my correspondent, Mr. William Higgins, an English merchant at Malta, gave me inexpressible satisfaction. I will give it to you verbatim.

Malta, May 24, 1803.

"We have no news here. The Adams arrived yesterday, but the Commodore with the John Adams are cruising off Tripoli. The last vessel has brought in the Tripoline lord high Admiral's ship, which she took in going into Tripoli, in direct violation to the pass given her. She is certainly a good prize; though I imagine the commodore will not condemn her, before he hears from home."

Treasury of the United States.
Washington, August 15, 1803.

WHEREAS by an act of congress dated May the 8th, 1799, entitled, "an act to provide for a copper coinage," in the second section thereof, it is enacted,

"That after the expiration of six calender months from the time when there shall have been paid into the treasury by the said director (of the mint) in cents and half cents, a sum not less than fifty thousand dollars, which time shall forthwith be announced by the treasurer in at least two gazettes or newspapers, published at the seat of government of the United States for the time being, no copper coins or pieces whatsoever, except the said cents and half cents, shall pass current as money, or shall be paid or offered to be paid or received in payment for any debt, demand, claim, matter or thing whatsoever; and all copper coins or pieces except the said cents and half cents, which shall be paid or offered to be paid or received in payment contrary to the prohibition aforesaid, shall be forfeited, and every person by whom any of them shall have been so paid or offered to be paid or received in payment, shall also forfeit the sum of ten dollars, and the said forfeiture and penalty shall and may be recovered with costs of suit for the benefit of any person or persons by whom information of the incurring thereof shall have been given."

And whereas it appears by the books of this office, that more than fifty thousandd dollars in cents and half cents, have been so paid into the treasury. I now therefore, in obedience to the said act, do hereby give public notice of the same.

TH. T. TUCKER.
Treasurer United States.
August 15.

Boston, August 9.
From France.

Yesterday arrived the ship Columbus, Capt. King, from Havre. She sailed June 15th. We have been favored by Mr. Bayd, a passenger, with Paris papers to June 11th inclusive. Extracts from them are placed under the appropriate head. The French have obtained possession of Hanover and its dependencies. It does not appear, however, that they have entered Hamburg or Bremen. The preparations in France give strong evidence of a determination to attempt the invasion of England. A number of gun-boats, built the last war, were directed to be got in readiness again, and a new contract had been made for building 1200 at various places on the banks of the Seine, to be completed by the 1st of August.

We understand that reports had prevailed at Lisbon, some days previous to the sailing of the last arrival from thence that a French army had entered Spain on its way to invade Portugal; but that the reports soon subsided. It was said a British packet with a considerable amount in specie on board, had fallen into the hands of the French.

The cause assigned by Buonaparte for the invasion of Hamburgh, is, "his firm resolution to shut up the Elbe, and exclude Britain from the only port left her in the north of Germany." The senate of Hamburgh applied to his Prussian majesty for his protection; but he expressed his "*surprise that the senate should presume that he could, to gratify their most humble supplications, involve himself and his subjects in a war with France.*"

FAINT SYMPTOMS OF PACIFICATION.
London, June 18.

Nothing is more certain, than that ministers are acting up to the full extent of the pledge given by lord Hawkesbury in the house of commons on Mr. Fox's motion, namely, that they would not only accept the meditation of Russia, but represent their cause to that power, with a view of engaging its good offices as a meditator. Mr. Ross the messenger, no doubt, brought important advices on this head a few days ago from St. Petersburgh. A counter part of them, in substance, was probably sent off at the same time to the Russian minister at Paris.—This occasioned the sending over of a messenger to the Russian ambassador in London, on whose dispatches, as communicated to lord Hawkesbury by count Woronzow, a cabinet council sat yesterday; at which almost all the cabinet ministers among others, Earle St. Vincent, were present. The result was sent off to the king at Windsor.

It is no ordinary messenger who bro't these dispatches from Paris but M. de Lansboy, a Russian count. It is said he came with a distinct proposition from St. Petersburgh to Paris, which, after having been acceded to by the chief consul, was forwarded to this country. The nature of this proposition we shall not attempt to guess. A few days will, probably, throw some light upon the business; at present all is mere conjecture.

The meditation of Russia is now much the subject of conversation.

A Calais article states, that M. Otto passed through that city some days ago, and embarked with his suite.—(A Paris paper infers from this, that the negociation with England will be renewed.)

New York, August 12.

The arrival of the brig William, from Liverpool, and the ship Oliver Elsworth from Amsterdam, has furnished the editor of the Mercantile Advertiser with London papers to the 15th June, and Dutch papers to the 19th, both inclusive.

From the latter we learn that citizen Dauffat, prefect at Louisiana, is appointed to succed Bernadotte, as ambassador from France to the United States. Citizen Laforet is nominated ambassador to the court of Prussia, and citizen Otto is to fill the same situation at the court of Bavaria.

Paris accounts of the 10th June, state that the number of English who have been arrested in France, the Italian republic, and the countries occupied by French troops, amounts already to 7,500, among whom are several generals, many colonels, and a great number of officers of different ranks.

The London Morning Chronicle of June 11th, says that gen. Stuart is ordered with 3000 men from Malta to Sicily, to protect that island against the attacks of the French. He will take post in the vicinity of Messina, in order to defend the narrow pass, and a British squadron is kept cruising in the straits of Messina, and on the northern coasts of the island.

Buonaparte has requested that prayer should be put up in all the churches of France, for the success of his arms.

Mr. Liston, arrived at Yarmouth the 13th June, in the Diana Packet with a flag of truce.

By the report of the committee of health of New York, it appears the following deaths, and new cases of fever have occurred in that city.

Aug. 8—	3 deaths —	16 new cases.
9—	4 —	16
10—	1 —	15
11—	13 —	15
12—	3 —	14
13—	5 —	10
14—	1 —	11

"S." Is received, and shall be duly attended to.

Notice.

There will be a Meeting of the New-Market JOCKEY CLUB, at Mr. Stevens's Tavern, in New-Market, the First Tuesday in September next, at which the Members of said Club are requested to attend.

WM. MARSHALL, Sec'ry.
August 23, 1803. 3t

Notice is hereby given, to the CREDITORS of *John Ringgold*, late of Queen-Ann's county, deceased, that on the last Monday in September next, at the public house of Richard Peacock, at Church-Hill, in the county aforesaid, I shall proceed to make a distribution of the Personal Estate, of the deceased, among his creditors; and shall pay over to them their respective proportions of the said estate. All the said creditors are therefore requested to appear at the said time and place, with their claims against the said John Ringgold, legally attested.

MARGARET RINGGOLD,
Exe'trix. of John Ringgold, dec'ed,
Queen-Anns county, August 23, 1803. 3t

A gentle Carriage Horse, for sale. Enquire at this Office.
August 23, 1803. 3

To the Editor of the Star.

SIR,

You will please to insert the within, and your charge (if any) shall be paid, and particularly oblige your

FRIEND.

"Amicus certus, in re incerta cernitur."

TO a man less acquainted with the world and mankind, it might be a matter of greater surprize, why persons, who apparently are free from interested motives, should busy themselves so much in the affairs of others, as very often to assume even a right of dictating to them a mode, by which to square their conduct. This liberty has very recently been taken by a character in this Village, with a young person who is by no means endeared to the former by any natural tie; but this has been occasioned by a mere insuperable propensity to meddle in the affairs of others: this is not by many, the first instance wherein this creature who has for a series of years been lurking almost in obscurity, and whose private character (if duty to our neighbour did not forbid exposing) would exhibit a scene of the most consummate hypocrisy, and a particular vice, which even to name, would too plainly delineate the creature, who has been base enough to endeavour to stamp upon an amiable youth, a most approbious, and detestable epithet; and one, which if the base design of pretended friendship, could have impressed upon the mind of the intended object, must have induced it to hold him in utmost detestation, and to have treated him with scorn; but most fortunately for that youth, an opinion had been previously formed, deduced from a general review of his deportment, which has been uniformly from his infancy correct and commendable, though placed in a situation for many years, whereby he was exposed to the greatest temptations, in the ardour of youth, and when the passions are said to be most predominant over reason and prudence, and every means in his power whereby to indulge them; yet has he so far perseveringly stood this tempestious storm, unsullied by any thing which the malignancy of this insignificant and base creature could ever torture to his disadvantage.

As the cap must fit its owner, who will, I am convinced, be ready to vent their spleen upon any suspected writer of this, and as blame might be attached by illiberal minds to some innocent person (I say by illiberal minds) being under the full conviction that other than those will not pretend to deny that right, which is naturally inherent and coeval with our existance, of defending our reputation from the ravages of any monster in human form, who like a roaring lion may be seeking whom to destroy—and who is more to be abhorred than the midnight assassin.

I was almost induced to relinquish the idea of making known to this Sorceress, through a public medium, that not even two visits a day for the purpose of traducing the character of this youth will ever lessen him in the estimation of those who have already declared their approbation, and who will never hesitate to communicate to him every effusion of diappointment and chagrin which may be ushered forth from this emporium of deceit.

"Let envious calumny, & canker'd spite,
"Produce his actions, to severest light;
"Then say ——, have you ever known,
"One fault, but that, which he must ever
"own,
"That of all mankind —— but thee
"alone."

AMICILLA.

For the Republican Star.

BOMBARDMENT OF NEW ORLEANS!!!

A few days past a *federal caucus* was held on the margin of Chester river, in Qu. As. a grand *fetre champetre* was prepared and all the *tory* forces of the upper district were in consequence thereof concentred to a single point. After going through their evolutions in presence of the *copper captain*, who highly applauded their *steadiness*, and their *new manouvers*, he addressed them in an annimated speech suited to the occasion of their present meeting.* A council of war was then held, and a plan of operations were formed for storming the fort of New-Orleans: After taking a favorable position and making the *necessary approaches*, the troops being inspirewith the most *ardent spirits* & *ripe* for conquest, they were gallantly led on by the redoubtable major, who commanded the expedition. On the signal for attack, showers of *shells*† from the batteries of the assailants filled the air; all was quickly enveloped in fire and smoak: the conflagration of the Citadel appeared inevitable; a dreadful carnage ensued; heads, legs, wings and limbs were seen flying in every direction, which to an observer, conveyed a feint idea of the resurrection, when each member, long lopp'd off, will be seen hurrying through the air to join its respective body—the intrepid major, dauntless as Cæsar, was, along with the *copper captain* as his aid, frequently seen *stimulating* his troops and wielding his *truncheon*,‡ like the invincible Buonaparte, when on the glacis; at the memorable battle of Mirango, he boldly led *his* infuriate troops to victory and to conquest. The garrison, however, made a gallant resistance, and it was observed, that their artillery frequently caused splinters of *rocks*§ to come in contact with the heads of the besiegers; who after a vigorous assault of ten hours, finding the fortress impregnable, their amunition nearly exhausted and numbers of their brave veteran officers (who during the attack were exposed to the *hottest fire*) reduced by *grape* or other shot from a verticle to a *horizontal* position, were at length compelled to *raise the siege* and retreated in *great disorder* beyond the range of the enemy's guns, where being securly posted, each man drank a bumper to *Adams* and *liberty*, and another to the memory of those gallant heroes who bravely *fell* in the attack of that day!!!

SYLPH.

* The election of a federal Sheriff.
† Those of Crabs and Oysters.
‡ A decanter.
§ Rock fish.

Washington College,

AUGUST 15, 1803.

ON Tuesday 2d instant, in the Church at Chester-Town, was held a Commencement for Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, before a most respectable and very numerous audience.

The Exercises consisted of

1. A Prayer by the Principal.
2. A latin salutatory oration on the advantages of unanimity, and virtuous manners, to the preservation of Republican government, by Mr. BEDINGFIELD HANDS, of Chester town.
3. A discourse on the influence of a good education on man as an individual, by Mr. GUSTAVUS W. T. WRIGHT, of Chester-Town.
4. A discource on the advantages of education on societies at large, with some reflections on the instability of Seminaries of Learning among ourselves as occasioned by credulity, and love of novelty among the people, and ill. imed parsimony of government, by Mr EDWIN LORAIN, of Petersburg, in Virginia.
5. The degree of A. B. was then conferred on BEDINGFIELD HANDS—ROBERT WRIGHT; GUSTAVUS W. T. WRIGHT—EDWARD W. PEARCE—JOHN T. VEAZY, of Cæcil County; and EDWIN LORAIN.
6. Followed a valedictory oration by Mr. EDWARD W. PEARSE.
7. The business of the day was concluded with a charge to the graduates, and a short prayer by the principal of the College.

The Visitors have also agreed with Mrs. FLETCHER, of Cambridge, to open a BOARDING SCHOOL, in Chester-Town, on or before the 15th of October next, for the instruction of Young Ladies, in the accomplishments peculiar to their sex. They are likewise to be attended on stated days by a master from the College, to instruct them in Writing, Arithmatic, Geography and Designing.

To James Nabb, of Talbot County, and Robert Orrell, of Caroline County.

A WORD or two on the subject of forgery—having satisfactory proof that the original petition of Mrs. JANE GREEN, to the last General Assembly, praying the benefit of an Insolvent Law, which was directed to Orrell, is now in existance, I call on you in this public manner to publish the same to the world: The petition drew up by Orrell, in Annapolis, and to which he forged the name of Mrs. Green, deeply implicates my character as one of the securities on the administration on her husband's estate. Nabb certified that the petition drew up by Orrell in Annapolis was the same in substance with the one put in his hands by Mrs. Green to deliver to Orrell, which I deny to be the fact and can prove the contrary by Nabb's subsequent declarations—I claim as a right the publication of the original petition which is in the possession of one of you; I claim it in behalf of Mrs. Green whose moral character you have shamefully abused by a base imposition on her credulity, and under the mask of friendship obtained her signature to a certificate prepared by Orrell indirectly charging herself with perjury.

If you refuse to publish the original petition, you ought to seal your lips in everlasting silence: be assured you will be considered the one (Orrell) a forger, the other (Nabb) a base calumniator.

Your gasconading threats shall not deter me from investigating the subject—I have no doubt your blood-thirsty souls would lead you to destroy my life, as you are likely to fail in the destruction of my reputation, could you do it with impunity—but remember, I now warn you in the face of the world if ever you make an attack on my person let it be an efficient one, least the consequence to you should be fatal—when my character has been assailed and my personal safety threatened in case I ventured on a defence, self-preservation plainly directs the course necessary to pursue. I expect no favors, I ask none, prevarication and abuse are the prominant features of your characters; little else can be expected from men picked up in the whirlpool of political infatuation, and towed through the channel of accidents into offices of profit and trust. Such may sparkle while the storm rages, but like bubbles on the sea when the commotion subsides will sink to rise no more. You may have further claims to my services—they shall be rendered in due time.

Yours, &c.
JOHN YOUNG.
Denton, Caroline, August 18, 1803.

Artificial Fire Works.

The Ladies and Gentlemen of Easton, and its vicinity, are respectfully informed that a Grand Display of

FIRE WORKS,

will be exhited in an inclosure prepared for that purpose in the suburbs of Easton,

THIS EVENING, August 23, 1803 if fair, if not, it will be postponed 'till Saturday evening next; if unfair on that evening, it will be further postponed to Tuesday, the 30th inst. as it will be impracticable to perform except the weather be good. This collection will far exceed any thing of the kind ever displayed in this part of the country, in point of magnitude and brilliancy.

The subscriber hopes to meet with that encouragement from a generous public, that will indemnify him for his labour and expense, as well as to enable him to repeat, and vary the performance.

The evening's Amusement will consit of the following Pieces.

1. Chinese Fountain.
2. A large Virtical Wheel.
3. A Nest of Serpents.
4. 2 Chinese Wheels.
5. The Yew Tree of Brilliant Fire.
6. A Pot of Sissons.
7. A large Horizontal Wheel.
8. 2 Chinese Vertical Wheels;—which will stop, and reverse their motion.
9. A Pot of Argrettes.
10. A Tour-Balloon.
11. An Air Balloon.

To conclude with the TREE OF LIBERTY, which will spread its rays about 12 feet in every direction, and will shew through its branches seven six'd five pointed Stars.

Sky rockets and Roman candles, will be let off at the commencement, and at intervals, during the evening. The whole will be accompanied with the best music that can be procured.

A shed with seats, will be provided for the accommodation of the ladies, and every care will be taken to preserve decorum.

† Price of admittance 50 cents.—Children, half price.

☞ Tickets to be had at the Star Office; at Dr. Stevens's Apothecary's shop—at Mr. Lowe's tavern; and at the place of performance.

NICHOLAS W. EASTON.
Easton, August 23, 1803.

Easton and Baltimore Packet.

THE subscriber grateful for the many favours he has received since he commenced runing a PACKET between Easton and Baltimore, begs leave to return his thanks to those who have favoured him with their custom, and at the same time to inform them and the public in general that he has erected a GRANERY, on the corner of *Washington* and *Port streets*, leading to the Landing, Easton—where he will receive grain and haul the same to his packet at his own expence. The Packet will leave Easton wharf on *Saturdays* at 3 o'clock in the afternoon; and will leave Baltimore, on *Wednesdays* at 9 o'clock in the morning.

For sale a SCHOONER about forty tons burthen, in good order, with a complete cabin for the accommodation of passengers. Also, a SCHOONER, about thirty-five tons burthen, now ready for business.

ROBERT SPEDDEN.
Easton, August 23, 1803. tf.

Notice.

THE subscriber has two HOUSES to rent for the ensuing year, one at Dover Ferry, which is thought a good stand for a Public House; and the other where George Sewell, now lives in Caroline county, about five miles from Dover-Ferry Any person inclinable to rent will apply to Joshua Driver, esq. or Joseph Edmondson, in the subscriber's absence, who are authorised by him to rent said houses.

PETER EDMONDSON.
August 23, 1803. 3

Notice.

THAT the subscriber of Talbot county, hath obtained from the Orphan's Court, of Talbot county, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Perry Parrott*, late of Talbot county, deceased, all persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same properly authenticated; and those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

HENRY HARDCASTLE, adm'r.
August 23, 1803. 6

To be Rented,

FOR the ensuing year, the Dwelling Houses, Garden, and Yard, at present occupied by Mr. William Hindman, on Wye River. A privilege will be given any person to keep a few cows and horses. For terms apply to the subscriber, living adjacent to said Farm.

WILLIAM DUNN.
Talbot County, August 23, 1803. 3t