

Horticulture &c at Springfield. Sep. 1814 -

Thursday 1 is very fine pleasant weather the Enemy nearly all round us +
 " up and down Patuxet in the Bay and at U, Harbors gone +
 " from Point down to Nottingham & Benedict, & E. Shore +
 " Annapolis Bank sent to Frederick, Ann. nearly deserted +
 " it is said the force in Bal. exceeds 25,000 men & increasing fast +
 " but it is said they want confidence in their Officers and +
 " that they are much divided in parties at present - +
 9 no news for some time, but few papers published this way +
 and what is strange, there is no Election near going on yet here +
 55 Sail of British 12 There is altogether gone up the Bay 55 Sail of Vessels besides Barges +
 gone up the Bay " it is said part of them are gone as high as the Head of Elk +
 6 Sail more gone up " and destroying all in their power, we have no particulars +
 more yet " I cannot help thinking but they will attempt Philadelphia, if +
 70 in all " all have passed Baltimore, they did not pass Bal. but landed +
 more gone " and Gen Ross was killed which I expect will stop all proceedings +
 of the Bay " against Bal. for the present. several Bal. Merchants killed +
 Congress 17 No news papers this week from N. ward or S. W. nothing from Canada +
 meet the 19th much expected from that quarter, from Brown & Inwards +
 many ships 18 there is a great firing in the direction of Annapolis about 12 & 5 to day +
 gone down the Bay 19 the news of today is that the British Flotilla on L Champlain is +
 after water in Patuxet " taken after a most dreadful conflict. I believe the force was small +
 " there must soon be a severe fight on Lake Ontario with Sr J. L. +
 " and Chauncey their force is considerable. & I believe pretty equal +
 28 if W. ship is ready, there is a strange kind of firing today. I think +
 at the Fed City the time between the guns was full 15 minutes, but +
 very regular, & I think cont. 2 hours -

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