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nting and
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language,
the classics.
the Nether-
ly, Dr. Frank-
Benjamin
hiladelphia. Sep-
Benjamin was en-
at the College of Philadel-
phia to compete his classical and
philosophical studies. In these
his success was equivalent to his
genius, and after delivering his
excellent valedictory oration he
left college some time in the year
1763—1764.

About this period commenced
the French Revolution, an event
astonishing to the world of poli-
tics, but anticipated by Dr.
Franklin. Himself a firm friend
to the rights of man and holding
a friendship in common with A-
mericans at that period) for the
[illegible] related
on ushering his Grandson to the
world, with all the enthusiasm of
the times in his favor. A print-
ing Office was already built and
supplied with materials: but as
Benjamin was yet a few months
in his minority, and as the Doctor
was then indisposed the com-
mencement of the former in bu-
siness was postponed until after
the death of the latter in April
1790.

In October 1790, Mr. Bache
(as I shall hereafter call him)
published the first number of the
"General Advertiser" to which
he in 1796 added the word "Au-
rora." He entered the theater
of the world, with all the advan-
tages of education, affluent fa-
mily connections, and popular
sentiment.

It is to be regreted, for the
fame of this gentleman, that the
French policy to America and
Europe had either been more tem-
perated and just; or that his kind-
ness for that nation had given
way to the *error* or *equity* of the
American government. I say
error or *equity*, because I do not
[illegible] this place with to arrange my-
self particularly on the side of
party, and as the determination
of this embarrassing subject might
possibly be better left to Omni-
potence. I know, however, that
in *thus* becoming any thing like
the Biographer of Mr. Bache, I
may be subject to the acrimony
of a very respectable and popular
class of my fellow citizens—To
invite or preclude sentiments of
this kind is not my object.

Mr. Bache in 1791 was Marri-
ed to Miss *Margaret Markoe*, an
amiable and accomplished young
lady, formely of St. Croix, but
[illegible] of Philadelphia, residing
with her mother, who had not
long been married to Doctor
Adam Kuhn of that city. At
that period no man held a higher
character in Philadelphia than
Mr. Bache—he was not only
welcomed to all the literary Soci-
eties in Philadelphia but was for
2 seasons, one of the 5 managers
of the first City Dancing assembly
—an office of much respectability
among the polite circles of the
metropolis.

But, alas! public opinion is
but the creature of an hour!—a
meteor!—the blaze of prejudice
or accident!—the hobby horse
of vice,—or the phæton of virtue
—the star of evening or the day-
light's dawn!

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Before the arrival of Mr. Ge-
net in April 1793, all America
was animated and wished for the
happiness of France. The peo-
ple universally, and every Section
of the government, appeared in-
terested in her welfare. *It is
said that the conduct of Mr. Genet
first caused a change in the minds of
many Americans and of our Govern-
ment in particular*

Here Mr. Bache first differed
with government, and accused
its chief and many of its members
of an ungenerous partiality in the
belligerent controversy; and here
he proceeded to lengths which
can only be justified by an appeal
to his youth, his intimacy with
the principal French characters,
by false prejudices for French li-
berty—or by his strong attach-
ment to universal toleration of the
imprescriptable rights of man.
On these subjects men will have
their *opinion*.

I have often heard the friends
of government say that "Mr.
Bache must either be a great
scoundrel or a very virtuous
man."

Numbers unequivocally have
asserted the former: while I as
positively believed the latter. I
could produce various proofs in
support of my belief; but they
might be unavailing to some;—
unnecessary to others. It is at
any rate well known that if Mr.
B. was a villain, his villainy never
produced him any pecuniary emo-
lument, equal to one tenth of
what he had a right to expect by
preferring a neuter position.

In private life the character of
Mr. Bache was amiable. As an
husband, father and friend he
was truly affectionate. An agree-
able companion in Society,—an
ornament to the social virtues.

Had Mr. Bache never entered
the field of politics, or had he
been only desirous of acquiring
universal popularity,—no man
could have commenced with bet-
ter chance of success,—no man
possessed better talents, informati-
on and genius to undergo the
most scrutinizing eye of the public
judgment—or to gain its applause.
But man are born to err, or not

For Sale or Rent,

A LOT of Ground, containing fen-
tacres, situate on the road from Balti-
more to the Windsor Mills; four miles from
the city. The improvements are a log and
frame Dwel ing house, a large stone building
wrecked for a wash and row house, last used
for a distillery, a stone spring house, several
never failing springs of water, a young
apple Orchard, &c. The lot is enclosed, and well
adapted for the above use, or a Tanyard
or a country seat.

I will also sell or exchange,

One thousand acres of Land,
in the state of Virginia, for cash or property
in or near this city.

☞ *For particulars apply to*

JOHN WILSON,

triumphs has recovered the pa-
the memorable and decisive victory in which
a detachment of my fleet, under the com-
mand of rear admiral lord Nelson, attacked
and almost totally destroyed a superior force
of the enemy, strengthened by every advan-
tage of situation. By this great and bril-
liant victory an enterprize, of which the
injustice, perfidy, and extravagance had
fixed the attention of the world, and which
was peculiarly directed against some of the
most valuable interests of the British em-
pire, has in the first instance been turned to
the confusion of its authors; and the blow
thus given to the power and influence of
France, has opened an opening, which if
properly improved, may be productive of
the most important consequences to the
interests of Germany and
of Europe.

Miscellany.

NEW-YEAR'S WISH

Once more, my dear Eliza,
Year closed its existence, and the day
of a new one brings with it limits
good wishes for the happiness of
which with pro-
[illegible] Bacchus has
[illegible] all these
which he should be entitled to have the same direc-
tion.

The question after considerable debate
was carried in favor of the petitioners
yeas 73—nays 10.

By the last Mails.

PHILADELPHIA Feb. 1.

Extract of a letter dated Derry Nov. 28.

N. YORK was landed at Bantry Bay
among other prisoners, and is recognized
regarded from the rest of the
by Sir *George Ellis*, who claimed him by
reffinement. He was consequently put un-
der a strong guard. He told Lord
Carysfort, to which Cavan replied
that he should be treated as a rebel. He
was marched to Derry under an escort
of Horse, and as he rode up the street
warsh the gaol, bowed to several of his

[illegible] 1798, provided they
Nore a word is said of the fleet from Ka
complaints heard, and also, that the law
officers, four of which were dissenting from
[illegible] and 29 of Ohio
[illegible] Anac-
[illegible] the English
Irish army, may be repealed.
Mr. Egerton having moved to
[illegible] the second Kildare Cess by the English
[illegible] refer this petition to the house commission
of the whole to which former petitions of
the same nature had been referred.
The Speaker had before from Offs com-
[illegible] and remonstrance of the same nature,
[illegible] in New-Jersey, field pointed language,
though couched in the same direc-
[illegible]

[illegible] Barrington has
[illegible] all these
[illegible] with pro-
[illegible] Irish Rocks are
[illegible] Irish Rocks are
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