THE STATE OF THE S MARYLAND GAZETTE.

HURSD A Υ, MAY 6, 1784.

BOSTON, April 12.

REVERAL villains were last Saturday ap. BVERAL villains were last Saturday apprehended and committed to g.ol, for uttering counterfeit dollars, in this town.
The dollars are of the old stamp, date in 1768. They are well imitated; but the sound will easily denote them base metal.
We hear that government have appointed committees for selling all the public land in the province of Maine, which will undoubtedly considerably lessen the public debt.

PHILADELPHIA, April 12.

A late London paper has the following article:

"Mr. Herschell, the celebrated astronomer, whose discoveries in optics have been wonderful, has tried a new speculum, so powerful, that the objects in the moon are twice as distinct as ever they were. He is decidedly of opinion that there is a burning mountain in the moon, as he fees such irregular vapours on the point of one of the mountains in her, that no other supposition will sufficiently account for them. ficiently account for them.

Extrad of a letter from the Havanna, March 15.

"This government, it feems, has formed the resolu-tion to put a stop to all foreign commerce with this place; in order to this, the first step that was taken by the governor, was to iffue an order to confine American merchants in the common gaol without any previous ceremony; however, this order was foon countermanded, but was fucceeded by another to depart from the island in one month, which is the only occurrence in public or private matters in this quacture.

April 27. As many erroneous opinions and ideas have been adopted respecting the treaty of peace, and a taile and tortured contruction put thereon by defigning and selfish men, we are happy in having it in our power to present our readers with the following extract of an official letter, dated Princeton, Oct. 16, 1783, from the delegation of a fister state, to the governor thereof; which will, no doubt, satisfy every called mind as to

the true intenta d meaning of the prelim nary and definitive articles of peace.

"We should before this time have transmitted to "We should before this time have transmitted to your excellency the material parts of the communications Congrets have lately received—from the ministers of the United at ites at Paris, had they not been under an injunction of secrecy, till lately, on account of their being under a commitment. In their joint letter of the 18th of July, the preliminary articles and their reasons for concluding them are explained. They observe that the British were very unwilling to make use of any terms that might give uneasiness to the resuges tories, and that the words "for restoring the property of real British subjected were seed! understood and after tained between them, not to mean or comprehend. A merican resugees. Mr. Fitzherbert and Mr. Oswald, they say, know this to have been the case, and will readily consess know this to have been the case, and will readily confess and admit it.

"They observe it was a more delicate mode of excluding the refugers, and making a proper diffinction between them and the subjects of Britain, whose only particular interest in America consisted in holding lands

and property.

"They think the 6th article, declaring that no future they think the 6th article, declaring that no future fixed. conflications should be made, &c. ought to have fixed the time with greater certainty, and the more fair confirmation is, that it relates to the date of the cessation of hossilities, as they say " that is the time when peace in fact took place, in consequence of prior, unformal, though binding contracts, to terminate the

formal, though binding contracts, and not as conftituted the form to those contracts, and not as conftituting the obligations of them; they observe, that had the crimation of the hostilities been the effects of truce, and consequently nothing more than a temporary suspension of war, another construction would have been the right one.

"They say, Mr. Hartley had officially assured them that positive orders for the evacuation of New York that positive orders for the evacuation of New York

had been dispatched, and that no avoidable delay would mad been dispatched, and that no avoidable delay would retard that event; that had they proposed to fix a time for it, the British ministry would have contended that it should be a time posterior to the date of the definitive treaty, and would probably have been more disadvantageous to us, than as that article now stands.

"They are surprised to hear that any doubts have a-risen in America, respecting the time when the cessation of hostilities took place there, and say, " it most certainly took place at the expiration of one month after the date of that declaration, in all parts of the world, whether land or fea, that lay north of the latitude of the Canaries." The ships afterwards taken from us in the more northern latitudes ought to be reclaimed and given up, and fay they shall apply to Mr. Harring of the Tubicet, and also on that of the transportation of negroes from New-York, contrary to the words and intention of the provisional articles."

provisional articles."

The senate of the state of New-York, have, we hear, been pleased to present Mr. Faine, author of the celebrated pampblet, stiled Common Sense, with the choice of two farms, one situated on Long-Island, and the other at New Rochelle, as specified in their unanimous refolution, and there is no doubt but the other branches of the legislature will concur in this honourable tessimopial-a testimonial founded on and dictated by gratitude, and conferred as an acknowledgement of the high iense they entertain of Mr. Paine's usefulness and abilities, and of the services he has rendered to the United

Annapolis, May 6.

By the UNITED STATES in CONGRESS affembled, April 23, 1784.

Congress resumed the consideration of the report of a committee on a plan for a temporary government of the western territory, which being amended, was agreed to as follows:

RESOLVED, That so much of the territory ceded or to be ceded by individual states to the United States, as is already purchased or shall be purchased of the Inas is already purchased or shall be purchased of the Indian inhabitants, and offered for sale by Congress, shall be divided into distinct states in the following manner, as nearly as such cessions will admit; that is to say, by patellels of latitude, so that each state shall comprehend from north to fouth two degrees of latitude, beginning to count from the completion of forty-sive degrees north of the equator; and by meridians of longitude, one of which shall pais through the lowest point of the rapids of Ohio, and the other through the western cape of the mouth of the great Kanhaway; but the territory eastward of this last meridian, between the Ohio, Lake Erie, and Penniylvania, shall be one state, whatsoever Erie, and Penniylvania, shall be one state, whatsoever may be its comprehension of latitude. That which may lie beyond the completion of the 45th degree between the faid meridians shall make part of the state adjoining it on the south; and that part of the state adjoining it on the same meridians coinciding nearly with the paralle of 398 shall be substituted to far in lieu of that parallel as a bound ry line.

That the fett ers on any territory so purchased and offered for sale shall, either on their own petition or on the order of Congress, receive authority from them, with appointments of time and place, for their stee males of full age within the limits of their state to meet together, for the purpose of establishing a temporary government, to adopt the constitution and laws of any one of the original states; so that such laws nevertheless shall be subject to alteration by their ordinary legislature; and to erect, subject to a like alteration, counties, townships, or other divisions, for the election of mem-bers for their legislature.

That when any such state shall have acquired twenty thousand tree inhabitants, on giving due proof thereof to Congres, they shall receive from them authority with appointments of time and place, so call a convention of representatives to establish a permanent constitution and government for themselves. Provided that both the temporary and permanent governments be established on these principles as their basis.

First. That they shall for ever remain a part of this consederacy of the United States of America.

Second. That they shall be subject to the articles of consederation in all those cases in which the original states shall be so subject, and to all the ass and ordinances of the United States in Congress assembled, conformable thereto. That when any such state shall have acquired twenty

formable thereto.

Third. That they in no case shall interfere with the primary disposal of the soil by the United States in Congress assembled, nor with the ordinances and regulations which Congress may find necessary for securing the title in such soil to the bona side purchasers.

Fourth, That they shall be subject to pay a part of the sederal debts contracted or to be contracted, to be approximated on them by Congress, according to the

apportioned on them by Congress, according to the same common rule and measure by which apportionments thereof shall be made on the other states.

Fifth. That no tax shall be imposed on lands the property of the United States.

Sixth. That their respective governments shall be remultien.

publican. Seventh. That the lands of non refident proprietors shall in no case be taxed higher than those of refidents

within any new state, before the admission thereof to a vote by its delegates in Congress.

That whenfoever any of the faid flates shall have of free inhabitants, as many as shall then be in any one the least numerous of the thirteen original states, such of the United States, on an equal footing with the faid original flates; provided the confent of fo many flates in congress is first obtained as may at the time be competent to such admission. And in order to adapt the faid articles of confederation to the flate of Congress of the such admission. when its numbers shall be thus increased, it shall be proposed to the legislatures of the states, originally parties thereto, to require the assent of two thirds of the United States in Congress assembled, in all those cases wherein by the said articles, the assent of nine states is now required, which being agreed to by them shall be binding on the new states. Until such admission by their delegates into Congress, any of the said states after the establishment of their temporary government shall have authority to keep a member in Congress, with a sight of debating but not of voting.

That measures not inconsistent with the principles of the consederation, and necessary for the preservation of peace and good order among the settlers in any of the said new states, until they shall assume a temporary government as aloressid, may from time to time be taken by the United States in Congress assembled.

That the preceding articles shall be formed into a charter of compact; shall be duly executed by the prewhen its numbers shall be thus increased, it shall te

ident of the United States in Congress affembled, under his hand, and the seal of the United States; shall be promulgated; and shall stand as sundamental constitutions between the thirteen original states, and each of the several states now newly described, unasterable from and after the sale of any part of the territory of such state, pursuant to this resolve, but by the joint consent of the United States in Congress affembled, and of the particular state within which such alteration is proposed to be made. proposed to be made,

CHARLES THOMSON, fecretary.

Authentic copy of the treaty of peace between Russia and the Porte, signed at Constantinople, the 9th of January, 1784.

THE imperial court and the sublime Ottoman Porte, desirous of seizing every occasion which can tend to conciliate and establish a perfect harmony and friendship between the two powers; and considering the new face of affairs, and state of things in the Crimea, at Taban, and in Cuba, are likely to occasion discussion, and perhaps a rupture between the two powers, the above imperial and Ottoman courts, have reloved to come to a friendly negotiation on the iaid subject, and after having duly weighed and considered them, are ardently desirous of preventing for the surure any subject of contention between them, and also the advantages of a solid and happy peace, of good neighbourhood and established commerce, have sound it necessary to regulate their suture measures upon a solid and p.r. THE imperial court and the sublime Ottoman Porte, to regulate their future measures upon a foild and per-

manent foundation.

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In confequence of these resolutions, the above powers In confequence of these resolutions, the above powers having sully explained themselves each to the other, on the alove subjects, and desirous of stipulating the present treaty under the most soldern engagements and exact observance, have choten, and surnish d with full powers to complete the faid treaty, the following persons, namely, her imerial majetty, the most august and most powerful empress and sovereign of all the Russias, has named on her part, the high and noble Jaques de Bullakows, her envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentially to the sublime Ottoman Porte, counsellor of state and knight of the orders of Saint Waldimir and saint Stanistas; and his majesty the sultan Ottoman, has nominated on his part, the most honoured and most esteemed vizir Kassan Pacha, his grand admiral, stambul Cadifi, actual cadiaskir of Na-

honoured and most esteemed vizir Kassan Pacha, his grand admiral, stambul Cadis, actual cadiaskir of Natolic, musti Zade-Ahmed, Effendi, and his grand chancellor the actual Hadgi Mustas Effendi, which plenipotentiaries asoresaid, after having mutually exchanged their credentials in due form, have signed and sealed the following articles:

Art. 1. That the treaty of peace of 1774, the convention of the limits of boundaries of 1771, the explanatory convention of 1779, and the treaty of commerce of 1783, shall continue to be streety and inviolably observed in all their points and articles save and except the 3d and 4th articles of the explanatory convention of 1779, which said articles shall be of no longer weight or obligatory force between the two empires. empires.

But as in the aforesaid 3d article of the said treaty of 1774, it is declared that the fortress of Oczakow, with all its antient territories, shall belong as formerly to the sublime Porte, this declaration shall continue in sull force and weight, and continues still to be observed as therein set forth.

Art. 2. It is hereby declared, that the imperial court of Russia shall never lay claim to the rights that the khan of Tartary has formed upon the fortrets of Sondjone Cale, and consequently the court of Russia, acknowledges the full and sole possession to be in the

Ottoman Porte.

Art. 3. That in admitting the river Cuba to be the frontier of Cuba, the faid imperial court, at the faint frontier of Cuba, the faid imperial court, at the faint frontier of Cuba, the faid imperial court, at the faint frontier of Cuba.

time, renounces her pretentions to all the Tartar na-tions, beyond the above river, and from the Black Sea. And it is hereby alto definitively agreed, that this act, as well on the part of her imperial majefly, the most august and powerful empress of all the Russias, as well as on the part of his highness the sultan Ottoas well as on the part of his highness the sultan Ottoman, agreed and confirmed by solemn ratifications, signed and written in the accustomed manner, shall the exchanged at Constantinople in the space of sour months or sooner, if possible, to reckon from the day of the conclusion of the said treaty, of which their pleating the same made their records constanting the same made their records constanting the same made their records. nipotentiaries have made their proper counterparts, figned with their hand writings, sealed with their seais, and mutually exchanged between them.

Done and figned at Conftantinople, this oth day of

January, 1784. (Signed)

JACQUES DE BULLAKOWS. Plenipotentiary from the empress of Russia, and the Ottoman plenipotentiaries, above by the named.

Further advices received by the Spip Willing Tom, captain Stewart.

LONDON, March 18.

Retract of a letter from a gentleman at St. Asynfine, in the province of East-Forida, to his friend at London, dated the 7th of December, 1783.

" Nothing can equal our diffres and consternation, on being compelled once more to quit our habitations, and feek an afylum the Lord knows where. Several gentlemen whom you knew formerly to have lived in great affluence, both in South-Carolina and Georgia, are reduced to the greatest extremity imaginable,

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EL RAMSEY.

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