

# American Intelligence.

PROVIDENCE, (R. I.) FEB. 3.

Extract of a letter from an officer on board the ship *Anne and Hope*, capt. Daniel O'Neil, of this port, dated Whampoa, Sept. 20, 1809.

"WE arrived safe here, after an extraordinary short passage of 97 days, all well. The ship proves to be an excellent sailor, and a good sea-boat. The Chinese are at present at war with the Ladronees, a piratical set of fellows who are near neighbours to them. They have attacked several American ships, but have not captured any. They lately burnt a village about ten miles from this place, and massacred all the inhabitants, which consisted of about 2000 men, women and children."

NEW-YORK, FEB. 9.

The numerous arrivals of yesterday afford us nothing of moment. A passenger in the *Amelia*, from Lisbon, informs, that he read London papers as late as the 14th of Dec. (19 days later than any received in America) but they contain no important information. It was reported at Lisbon on the 24th of Dec. that the British army had shifted their headquarters from Abrantes to Quimba, and that the French army was advancing.

H. B. M. schooner *Hunter*, O'Brien, has arrived at Boston in 5 days from Halifax, with dispatches for Mr. Jackson—Halifax papers to Jan. 26, contain no news.

By the brig *Amelia*, in 45 days from Lisbon, Portuguese papers have been received to the 23d Dec. with London dates of the 30th

The Portuguese government, in the name of the Prince Regent, has called for a general conscription, to make up the deficiencies in the army.

The London articles state, that the troops which sailed from Sicily on the 23d Sept. under the command of general Oswald, took possession of the Islands of Zante, Cephalonia and St. Mark, which formed a part of the Ionian Republic; they made no resistance whatever.

According to the last news from Algiers, the Dey demanded an annual tribute from France, and the consul refusing it was imprisoned. We learn by the French papers, that the last consul Dubois Thainville has returned to Paris.

That excellent regiment, the 12th of light dragoons, has orders to embark immediately for foreign service; the 9th regiment of dragoons received the same order.

We learn that the government has received dispatches from Mr. Adair, dated in the beginning of last month, which do not agree with the accounts in the French papers, that the British influence in Constantinople has diminished. The events which took place on the Danube, and the successes of the Russians have occasioned considerable consternation and embarrassment in the Divan, but have not caused any change in their communication with our minister, whose last dispatches continued to request, agreeably to the desire of the Porte, the presence of a British Squadron in the Turkish seas. The Russians have advanced along the coast as far as Mookala; their flotilla extended from the bay of Raba to Parma, and has excessively embarrassed the sale of provisions, &c. to the merchants of Constantinople.

Arrived, the ship *Superior*, M'Dugall, from Madeira, and 26 days from the Isle of May. The brig *Fanny* left Madeira about the first of Jan. at which time it was known that Mr. Jackson had been dismissed, received there by a short passage from Philadelphia. Passengers immediately rose. A vessel had arrived about this time with a cargo of rice in bulk. On Christmas day, there was a severe storm at Madeira, and the Island covered with snow.

PHILADELPHIA, FEB. 7.

Last week, in the house of representatives of this state, a motion was made by Mr. Mitchell, and seconded by Mr. Steele, and passed as follows: viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire and make report of all the amount of bank stock, both public and private, within this state, and also all the stock of other chartered monied institutions, and bring in a bill laying a tax of — per cent. on all that is or hereafter shall be (except those that have already paid a certain tax or premium) which tax shall be appropriated towards educating all the children of the poor within this Commonwealth, to be equally divided amongst the different county treasurers, in proportion to their county rates. Laid on the table.

WILMINGTON, (D.) FEB. 10.

A favorable report has been made of the new Mill of Owen and Oliver Evans, at Flouring, Penn. It states, that the owners calculate on her grinding with two pair of stones, 15 bushels per hour.

NORFOLK, JAN. 31.

Arrived this morning, from Cadiz, the schooner *Ann Ballard*, capt. Langdon. This vessel left the port of Cadiz on the 22d Dec. but capt. L. was not on shore for ten days before he sailed, and brings papers only to the 12th Dec. with which capt. L. has favoured us. They contain nothing of importance, except addresses from the government to the people on the present state of affairs; which are too long for translation and insertion in this day's Ledger.

Captain Langdon says that it was reported that the French were within 20 leagues of Seville, and that the British army would immediately evacuate Spain.

## POSTSCRIPT.

Our paper was just ready for press, when the ship *Betsey*, captain Watson, arrived in 40 days from Lisbon; by captain Watson we were politely favoured with files of Lisbon papers to the 19th of Dec. from which we have not time to procure translations for this paper. We understand that nothing important had occurred; accounts from the British army at Badajoz are published to the 12th of December, but we do not know what they state.

From a paper of the 16th of December we procured a translation of the following article:

LISBON, DEC. 16.

The day before yesterday the British packet arrived here, bringing London intelligence to the 29th of Nov. The articles of the most interest are as follow:

Official intelligence has been received of the destruction of a French Squadron, which has been communicated by lord Mulgrave to the lord Mayor in the following letter:

Admiralty Office—29th Nov. 1809.

I have the satisfaction to inform your lordship that dispatches have been received from lord Collingwood, dated the 30th of last and 1st of the present month, which announce that a French convoy, which sailed from Toulon on the 21st of Oct. destined for Barcelona, composed of 3 ships of the line, 2 frigates of the largest class, and 2 smaller, with 20 armed transports laden with stores and ammunition, had all been destroyed, with exception of the smaller frigates. The ships of war were destroyed on the coast, and the armed transports by the boats of the Squadron, under the command of lieutenant Taylor, in the bay of Rosas, on the 1st instant. I am sorry to say that in this successful and intrepid enterprise, 15 of our men were killed and fifty-five wounded. I have the honour to be, &c.

MULGRAVE.

To the right hon. the lord Mayor.

The London paper of the 20th Nov. says, that Buonaparte had announced to the kings of Saxony and Westphalia, then at Paris, that he has determined to assume the title of Emperor of Germany.

LONDON, NOV. 23.

A Russian gentleman who arrived in town yesterday, states, that the day before he left Gottenburg, which was on the 16th inst. 200 ships set sail from that harbour, laden with Baltic produce.

By the last Gottenburg mail, a letter received from Koenigsburg mentions a curious discovery of hidden treasure to have been made in that city. The letter is as follows:

KONINGSBURG, OCT. 26.

A singular and curious circumstance took place in this city a few days ago. A poor brick-layer, at a very advanced age, who was on the point of death, sent for one of our ministers in order to disclose a secret before his death, which would tend greatly towards the welfare of his country. Our minister complied with his request, and upon waiting on the old man, he was informed by him, that during the seven years war, Frederick the Great had employed him and two others to bury in one of the churches of Koenigsburg, an immense treasure of gold, silver and diamonds, at the same time compelling them not to divulge the affair until the last of them should be upon the point of death, otherwise that a great sea city would prevail in Koenigsburg. The governor of the city immediately ordered the cave of the church to be searched, and actually found the treasure as described by the old man.

A Nicholas Creely, has, in a Bucks county, (Penn.) paper, in the usual way, warned the public not to trust his wife on his account, charging her with having destroyed his property, &c. His wife, in reply to this notice, says: "That he need not have taken this pains, as no person where he is known, will trust her to the amount of a single cent on his account, and as for bed and board, he never had any for her—and asks how she could destroy his property, when he never had any, except three dice, a sweat-cloth and a rum bottle."

Counterfeit Stereotype Three Dollar bank bills of the Portland, Beverly and Boston banks, are in circulation.

# ANNAPOLIS:

WEDNESDAY, February 14, 1810.

## A LIST OF INSPECTORS OF TOBACCO

At the respective ware-houses in the several counties in this state

**Anne-Arundel county**—At Elk-Ridge landing, Nicholas Watkins and Henry H. Dorsey; at Pig Point, Galloway Pindle; at Taylor's Landing, David Stewart; at Indian Landing, Richard Gambill; at Tracy's Landing, Jerningham Drury; at Beard's Point, John Basford.

**Baltimore county**—At Fell's Point, Nicholas Rodey; at Head of the Balon, Vache Dorley; at Dugan's and O'Donnell's, Jonas Steventon.

**Charles county**—At Cedar Point warehouse, Burford Cottrell; at Port-Tobacco, Samuel Hanson, senior; at Nangemoy, John Adams, of Francis; at Pomonky, Henry Stonebreet; at Benedict, Henry Wood; at Piles, Henry Cookley.

**Saint-Mary's county**—At Chaptico, Clement Britton; at Llewellens, John Shanks; at Leonard-town, John Stone; at St. Mary's, Henry Watts; at Coles, Edward Mattingly.

**Prince-George's county**—At Queen-Anne warehouse, William Wents and Thomas Hodges, of Charles; at Upper-Mantoloking, Charles Claggett and John S. Magruder; at Nottingham warehouse, Henry Botwell and Francis Hamilton; at Magruder's warehouse, James Newlin, (of Lusbury); at Pileaway, John M'Daniel; at Bladen-foung, Samuel Magruder and Humphrey Williams; at Broad-creek warehouse, Giles Dyer.

From a Lynchburg (V.) paper, Jan. 26.

## TOBACCO.

When a pitiful petty-larceny rogue, wretch happens to be detected and convicted, of stealing a few dollars, or dollars worth from his neighbour's pocket or desk, the whipping-post or penitentiary deservedly becomes his portion—the fruits of his fatigue and detestable industry. Now if this be justice and down right fair dealing; and if the experience of man, and the wisdom of legislators, have found such restraints, pains and punishments, necessary for the prevention of crimes and the preservation of the rights of society, what kind of punishment or mark of infamy should be inflicted on that base, fraudulent, hardened, adventurous tobacco planter, who has been guilty of the following foul action?

In the present month two hogheads of tobacco were offered at one of the warehouses here for inspection. They were passed and afterwards purchased by a merchant of this place for the purpose of being stemmed. On being opened at the lempery 260 weight of wet trash was found in one hoghead and 400 in the other, with 25 weight of wooden pins, and several pounds of stalks.

For further particulars relative to this dirty deed, the curious are respectfully referred to *Jacob Oglesby* of this place, who is prepared and willing to bear testimony to the whole truth of the facts stated. The foregoing item is designed to serve as a bit of hint to the concerned, for the remainder of the present season; and in all probability it will check a practice which is said to be too prevalent.

Tobacco still bears a fine price; from 3 dollars 50 to 6 50. The article was somewhat more brisk last week; but the demand yet exists; and the industrious honest planter is amply rewarded. No such crop as the present was ever before offered at this market in point of neatness and careful management. About 3,000 blads. (the estimated one third of the present crop) are already brought in; six hundred were received last week.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Indiana Territory, dated at Vevay, in New Switzerland, Dearborn county, Indiana Territory, Jan. 15, 1810.

"It is flattering to be enabled to state, that from four small vineyards, planted where seven years ago there was not a stick of wood cut down, we made last fall six hundred gallons of pretty good wine."

## TOULON FLEET.

A passenger in the *Fame*, arrived at New-York, informs, that the British brig *Frolic* had arrived at St. Christopher's, with the news of the capture of two French frigates, (the remainder of the Toulon fleet destined for Guadaloupe, who had escaped the British cruizers,) by a British Squadron, about the middle of September.

It appears that the whole number of patents issued since the year 1790, amounts to 1206, which at 30 dollars each, have produced the sum of 36,180.

# CONGRESS.

## IN SENATE.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31.

Agreeably to notice, Mr. Boyard introduced a bill relative to the district court of the United States established in the territory of Orleans. Passed to a second reading.

The bill concerning commercial intercourse with Great Britain and France, and their dependencies, was committed to a select committee, composed of Messrs. Smith, of Maryland, Giles, Franklin, Hillhouse.

The several bills yesterday read a first time were referred to committee.

Mr. German submitted the following resolutions for consideration.

Resolved, That provision be made by law for protecting and defending, by conveyance of ships and vessels belonging to citizens of the United States, loaded with articles of growth, produce or manufacture, of the United States, or territories thereof, not contraband of war, bound to any foreign port or place to which the ships and vessels of the United States are not excluded by municipal regulation, and not being actually blockaded by an armed force.

Resolved, That the citizens of the United States who shall put their ships or vessels under protection of convoy of an armed vessel or vessels as aforesaid, shall be permitted to arm in their defence.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, FEB. 2.

THE report of the Secretary at War on the state and returns of the regular army, was ordered to be printed.

The following is a statement of Wilkinson's army, taken from that return.

Privates fit for duty	276
Do. sick	621
Do. in arrest	8
Do. absent	399
Do. dead from May 1	523
Officers on duty	43
Do. sick	17
Do. in arrest	2
Do. dead	16
Do. resigned	51
Do. absent	46
Do. dismissed by courtmartial	6
Non-commissioned officers and privates absent	43
Non-commissioned officers on duty	95
Do. sick	167

Mr. Dawson made an unsuccessful motion to transfer the consideration of the above report from the select committee, to whom it was referred, to the committee on the military establishment; ayes 29.

## LOST,

YESTERDAY EVENING, BETWEEN the Market-house and the Union Tavern, a Ticket in the Baltimore College Lottery, No. 15,858, with four Ten Dollar notes, and a note of 150 dollars of William Barraudt, at ninety days, New-York, 15th of Jan. 1810, folded therein; the notes are of the Baltimore Bank. Whoever will leave the same at Mr. Wolligman's Tavern, shall receive Fifty Dollars, and no questions asked. 109 7/16  
Sunday Morning, Feb. 11, 1810.

## Wanted Immediately,

IN the neighbourhood of Rhode river, a person who is well qualified to teach the English language, grammatically; also writing and arithmetic in all its branches. Any one, so qualified, and who can come well recommended for his sobriety, industry and unexceptionable moral character, will meet with good encouragement.

By applying to the Printers of this paper he will be acquainted with further particulars.

Feb. 11, 1810. J. Sellers.

## Take Notice.

PURCHASERS of property at the sales made on the third and fourth of May last, by the subscriber, of part of the personal estate of John Gwin, Esquire, deceased, are notified, that their bonds for the payment of the purchase money will be due on the 4th of March, and they are requested to make payment by that day, otherwise suits will be instituted immediately thereafter, without discrimination.

TH. HARRIS, Jun.  
Annapolis, Feb. 9, 1810.

## Notice.

THE Creditors of *William Doyle*, an insolvent debtor, are hereby notified, that a distribution will be made among them of money in my hands on the first day of March next, at my office in Frederick-town, according to law, at which time and place they are requested to attend, with their claims properly authenticated.

GEORGE CREAGER, Jun.  
January 29, 1810. 3 W