Copy of a letter from the hon. capt. Irby, of H. M. ship the Amelia, to John Wilson Crocker, dated at Spithead, the 22d inst.

I beg leave to acquaint you, for the information of the right honorable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, that when I was about to quit Sierra Leone river for England in H. M. ship under my command, on the 29th January, lieut. Pascoe arrived there with the chief part of the crew of H. M. gun brig Daring, he having been obliged to run his vessel on shore, and blow her up at Tamara (one of the Isles de Loss) in consequence of having been chased by a French frigate, in company with two other ships apparently frigates; he reported having left them anchored off the islands on the 27th. I immediately dispatched lieut. Pascoe in a small schr. to reconnoitre the enemy (he having volunteered his services) and on the 3d February he returned having ascertained their force to be 2 frigates of the largest class (l'Arethuse and Le Rubis) and a Portuguese ship, their prize; and, after unloading the Portuguese ship intended to give her up to the crew, and proceed themselves to sea to intercept our homeward bound trade. Conceiving that if I cruised off the Isles de Loss (in the event of their not having left them) I might be enabled to fall in with any of his Majesty's ships that might be coming down the coast, also protect the vessels bound to Sierra Leone, of which I had received intelligence; I repaired to weigh, when a cartel are rived from the islands with the master and boats crew of the Daring, and the master and crew of another vessel they had taken, whose accounts corroborating lieut. Pascoe's report. I lest Sierra Leone river, and worked up to the islands; standing in at day light on the 5th ult. towards the islands of Tamara, we joined the Princess Charlotte, government sch. who informed me one of the frigates was at anchor at a considerable distance to the northward from the other, which was apparently unloading his prize. I dispatched the sch. to Sierra Leone, to leave directions to any ships that might arrive here to repair to me.-Having neared the island in the evening the frigate to the northward weighed and stood out to sea; the other frigate had a signal flying, and being observed at sun-set with topsails hoisted, I stood off for the night; and the next morning one of the frigates (I believe L'Aretheuse) was just visible from the deck-it was then calm; on a breeze springing up about noon she stood towards us .-As I had hopes of drawing her from her consort, we continued standing out to sea till sun-set, when not perceiving the other ship from the masthead, and the breeze failing, we shorted sail, wore, and stood towards her. A little after seven the enemy observing us near him, tacked, and noisted his colors. At 15 min. past 7 P. M. being within pis-. tol shot of his weather bow, both ships commenced firing nearly at the same time, which continued (remaining nearly in the same situation) until at 21 minutes past 11, when she bore up, having the advantage being able to do so, leaving us in an ungovernable state with our sails, standing and running rigging cut to pieces and masts injured. During the action we twice fell on board the enemy, in attempting to thwart his hawser, when he tried to board, but was repulsed by the Marines (which were commanded by lieut. Simpson) and the boarders. Though I must sincerely lament the numerous loss of killed and wounded, which amount to 141, yet it is the greatest consolation in reflecting that we were never once exposed to a raking short or the slightest accident occurred; all fell by fair fighting.
It is with the most poignant re-

gret I have to mention the names of the senior and second lieutenants John James Bates and John Pope, and lieutenant Grainger, of marines, among the slain; they fell early in the action, having been more than five years in the ship; I have had ample opportunities of knowing their inestimable characters, and the consequent loss the service has sustained by their falling. It is with equal concern I have to mention lieutenant Geo. Wills, the junior lit. who fell while carrying on the duty on the quarter deck, when I had received a wound which obliged me to quit it; and also that of the good and zealous officer, lieut. Pascoe, late of the Daring, who comminded the mid-

ship guns, on the main deck Mr. John Bogue, late purser of the Thetis, (invalid) received a mortal wound below, after having been be-

fore wounded on the quarter-deck. When I have the misfortune to state-auch a severe loss, I tifat it will be clear every person must have done his duty. I feel most grateful to my gallant officers and crew, as well as the supernumeraries late belonging to the Daring, for their cool, steady and persevering conduct, which was worthy the utmost success; but the superior force of the enemy, (she carrying on her main deck heavy French 24 pounders) the considerable quantity of gold dust we had on board, as well as the certainty of the other frigate coming up would have prevented me seeking a renewal of the action, if it had not been totally impracticable.

I should not omit to mention to their lordships the admirable conduct of Mr. De Mayne, the master, who placed the ship so ably at the commencement of the action and his unremitted assiduity till the enemy kept away. My most grateful thanks are due to lieutenant Simpson, of marines, and John Collman, purser, who exerted themselves to the utmost .- Having received the greatest assistance from lieut, Reed, invalid from H. M. sloop Kangaroo, who was wounded more than once during the action, I have appointed him to act as first lieutenant of the

The crippled state of the ship and deplorable condition of the wounded having rendered the object for which I sailed from Sierra Leone abortive -having every reason to conclude that the state of the enemy must have been such as to have greatly foiled him in his intended operations being much cut up about his hull, I thought myself justified in not remaining on the coast, and therefore proceeded with the intention of touching at Madeira or the Western Islands, for refreshments for the sick, which the badness of the weather prevented, and arrived here this day.

I must not omit to report to their lordships the high sense I entertain of the humane and skillful attention of Mr. Williamson, surgeon, and Mr. Burke assistant, as also that of Mr Stewart, late assistant surgeon of the Daring, to the wounded since this sanguinary conflict.

I should also state that although our numbers were apparently strong at the commencement of the action. yet from the length of time we had been on the coast, and much reduced by sickness, we had barely our complement, fit for duty, and they much enervated.

KILLED AND WOUNDED. Killed, and since dead, 51 Wounded, dangerously, 16 severely, slightly,

FRED. PAUL IRBY, Capt. STE. WILLIAMSON, Sur.

From the Boston Daily Advertiser. LOUIS XVIII.

In the Daily Advertiser of Thursday was a state Paper issued by the brother of the late King of France, who has been wandering from one European court to another for many years. The language held by this legitimate successor to the throne of France, is correspondent to the high dignity of his royal birth and the spirit befitting a monarch of his illustrious descent.

I find the following letter (which cannnot but be acceptable to your readers) written by Louis XVIII. to Charles IV. late King of Spain now imprisoned in France, which is written with an indignant and dignified temper, characteristic of the unfortunate exiled Sovereign, whose throne has been usurped by the bloody and unprincipled tyrant Napoleon. It was occasioned by Charles sending Buonaparte the order of the Golden Fleece which had been previously conferred on Louis XVIII. when he was Compte de Provence.

"CALMAR, (Sweden) Oct. 1810.
"Sir, my Brother and Cousin.
"It is with regret that I send back to your Majesty, the insignia of the order of the Golden Fleece (l'ordre de la toison a or, had received from the King, your had received from the King, Your (l'ordre de la toison d'or) which I father, of glorious memory. There can be nothing in common between me and the great criminal whom his own audacity aided by fortune, has placed upon my throne. A throne which he has cruelly defiled with the blood of a *Bourbon! Religion may induce me to pardon an Assassinbut, the Tyrant of my People must

always be my enemy. In our present circumstances it is more glorious to deserve the sceptre than to sway it. Gop, in his impenetrable decrees, may perhaps, have condemned me to finish my days in Exile; but neither posterity nor the present age shall ever say, that I have rendered myself unworthy to be seated, and to die, on the throne of my ancestors."

(Signed) "LOUIS."

*Duke D'Enghien.

From the Connecticut Mirror. Please to publish the following ac count in your paper for the information of the public, and in particular for those of your readers who profess a knowledge of electricity.

On the evening of the 1st instant between ten and eleven o'clock, being in company with two gentlemen all on horseback, riding on a slow walk, and following each other, we all discovered nearly at the same instafit of time, a luminous appearance resembling a fire fly on the tips of our horse's ears, our clothes, mittens, hats and whips-I first noticed it on the tip of one of my horse's ears, and immediately on both, and attempted to brush it off with my whip but did not succeed. Instantaneously it appeared on my whip in several sparks, and on my mitten which covered the hand in which I held my whip in at least twelve or fifteen points, of the size of small peas. I endeavoured to rub it off

from my mitten, and to throw it off from my whip by swinging it in the air, and gently striking my horse, but to no purpose .- Within three or four minutes after I first discovered it, and after swinging my whip in the air repeatedly, it still having a number of bright points on it, and after brushing my horse's main with it several times, I observed a stream of fire issue from it of the size of a small knitting needle, about three or four inches long; it was very brilliant and sparkling and of a faint blue colour. I brought my whip near my eye to examine it with attention and found it had the same appearance of the electric spark. It formed a right angle with my whip (which was of cow skin) and continued nearly half a minute. I observed to the gentlemen that it was the electric fluid, and feared an explosion. It disappeared and reappeared several times while we were riding upwards of 120 rods on a slow walk as above mentioned. The gentlemen in company with me experienced the same thing on their horses, &c. except the stream of flame from the whip, which they only saw on mine. Another person besides those in com-

pany with me, who was behind us a-

bout forty or fifty rods on foot, wit-

nessed nearly the same appearances.

About 9 o'clock the same evening,

there had been a thunder shower

which was preceded by a snow that

had fallen to the depth of two or

more inches, at the time the before

mentioned appearance took place,

and was then falling plentifully in

large flakes, and damp, accompanied

with a flash of lightning once in about

five minutes, but without wind or thunder. The night would have

been very dark without snow. Out

horses and saddles were wet with the shower, and our clothes, &c. damp with snow. We were travelling on a tract of moist level ground in this town near

a swamp. ZENAS STRONG. Colchester, March 6, 1813.

NEW GOODS.

H. G. MUNROE,

Has just received a General Assortment SEASONABLE GOODS, Consisting of Coarse, Fine, and Fancy Articles. GROCERIES, Ironmongery and Stationary.
All which he offers for sale on ac mmodating terms.

B. CURRAN,

May 6.

CORN-HILL-STREET, HAS FOR SALE, A variety of Blue Cloths, Blue and other Cassimeres, Superfine Black Cloth, Blue and Yellow Nankeens, White and Gorded Marseilles, Cambrick Muslin and Shirting

Cambricks, Irish Linens and Long Lawn, Buckskin and Beaver Gloves, Silk and Cotton Stockings, Bandana Handkerchiefs, Linen Cambrick, & Hankerchiefe

And a good assortment of Union Fac tory spun Cotton for Weaving, and twisted cotton for knitting and netting, twisted cotton for knitting and netting. Annapolis, May 13, 1813.

By his Excellency LEVIN WINDER, Esquire, Governor of Maryland, A PROCLAMATION.

Whereas it has been represented to me by a number of respectable per-sons inhabitants of Prince-George's county, that a Mr. John Plummer, sen, of the said county, has been, and still is missing, and that there is reason to believe that he has been murdered : And whereas it is the duty of the executive to guard as much as may be against the commission of such enormities, and to bring such offenders against the laws and peace of society to justice: I have therefore thought proper to issue this my proclamation, and do by and with the advice and consent of the council offer a reward of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS to any person who shall discover and make known the author or perpetrator of said offence, provided he brought to justice.

Given in council at the city of Annapolis, under the seal of the state of Maryland, this twenty-first day of April, in the year of our Lordone thousand eight hundred and thirteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the thirty seventh.

LEV. WINDER.

By his excellency's command,

NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk of the Council. Ordered, That the foregoing procla mation be published twice a week for the Federal Gazette and American at

three weeks in the Maryland Gazette, Baltimore, the Federal Republican, the People's Monitor, Melsheimer's German paper, Frederick-Town Herald, Hagar's Town Gazette and Grieves's

NINIAN PINKNEY, Clk.

Baltimore Hospital,

March 30th, 1813. The board of visitors of this instituti on report, that during eight months, ending on the 31st December last, 47 patients have been admitted into the infirmary, and 38 into the lunatic asylum—of which number there have

Discharged, cured, Relieved, Died Remaining

85 Total The board feel much pleasure in informing the public, that the institution is in complete order for the accommodation of such patients as may be admitted to its care—it is under the immediate direction of an experienced Steward and Matron; is well provided with suitable nurses and attendants, and with every convenience and comfort, which the sick may require.

As the plan on which the hospital is conducted, appears not to have been generally understood, the visitors think proper to state, that patients admitted into it, are charged a certain sum per week, regulated according to the circumstances of the case, for board and medical aid, including every expence, cloathing excepted.

The funds hitherto arising from the admission of patients have done little more than to defray the necessary expenses of the establishment, but the visitors are not without a hope, that from an increase of the number of those who may apply for relief, and also from such contributions as may generously be made by those persons who feel disposed to aid so useful an institution, they may, in conjunction with the me dical gentlemen who have charge over it, be enabled at a future day, to extend the hand of charity to some of the deserving poor, who may stand in need of its assistance.

The advantages resulting to those unfortunate persons who labour under mental derangement, when placed in a situation fitted for their reception, and where every means for affording them. relief can be promptly resorted to have been strongly exemplified in the asylum attached to this hospital. Several pa-tients suffering under this worst of calamities, some of their cases of long standing, have, by proper attention and management, been perfectly restored to their friends and to society

Attending Physicians, Doctors Mackenzie and Smyth. Attending Surgeon, Doctor Gibson.

Consulting Physicians, Doctors Brown, Littlejohn, Coulter, White, Crawford, Birckhead, Chatard, Cromwell, Alexander and Owen.

Visitors, ohn Hillen, James Mosher, William M'Donald, Wm. Ross and Jacob Miller Applications for admission may be made to either of the visitors, or to the attending physicians.

Don Fernando,

A Jack Ass, descended from the best Spanish stocks that have been import ed into this country, rising four years old, near fourteen hands high, and remarkably well formed, will stand the ensuing season, at Westbury on West-Hiver, at eight dollars cash, or \$ 10; the money to be returned if the mare does not prove with foal, and half a dollar to the groom. He is limited to twenty mares. Pasturage gratis—but will not be answerable for escapes.

William Pritehard, manager.

Mail Stages to Baltimon

Commenced on Monday has the 25th instant to fun daily, by setting from the Union Tovern at 7 octor from the classes and arraying at half in the morning, and arraying at half more to early dinner, and vice versa.

The proprietor begs leave to much the public, that neither pairs ner u pense has been spared in establishthe line, and feels assured of guit general satisfaction.

Fare and allowance of barrens heretofore, and all baggage at the pa JOHN GADSBY.

M. B. The public are requested take notice, that the Mail for But more will close at 7 o'elock A. M. Tuesdays and Saturdays. April 29.

20,000 Dollars-Cashl Now affoat in the Polomak and Sheen doch Navigation Lottery, second day

1 prize of

do. do. do. 12 do. 30 do. Besides the following Stationary Prize 1 prize of do. do. do.

8 do. 10 do. of 100 Tickets each in this cha Besides a vast number of small price. and not near 1 1.2 blanks to a prize. Present price of tickets \$ 9.

TICKETS & SHARES JOSEPH MILLIGAY, Book-seller, George town The sold great part of the Carita 85- All orders for tickets particular attended to. Prize Tickets in this att

tickets-All lottery information gratis, Wanted to hire. A NEGRO WOMAN,

other Lotteries taken in payment for

Who understands plain cooking and washing-one from the country would be preferred-Such an one that an come well recommended for her horse ty, of ricty and industry, will heard a place by applying at this conby applying at this office.

Anne-Arundel County, so

On application to me the subscriber in the recess of Anne-Arundel county cour, is in associate judge for the third judicial distribution of the series of George Poole, of said county, praying for the benth of the act for the relief of sundry insolven debtors, and the several supplements there, on the terms mentioned in said alls, a six of his property, and a list of his property and a list of his property and a list of his property. on the terms mentioned in said ads, a sid-du'e of his property, and a list of his crai-tors, on eath, being annexed to his petition, and having satisfied the that he has resided in the state of Maryland two years immedia-ly preceding the time of his application; hav-ing also stated in his petition that he raison-finement for debt, and having prayed to be discharged therefrom—I do hereby order as adjudge, that the version of George Pod M discharged therefrom—I do hereby order an adjudge, that the person of George Pool led discharged from imprisonment, and by casing a copy of this order to be published in the Maryland Gazette for three months successive before the third Monday of September and give notice to his creditors to appear before the county court of said county on the all the county court of said county on the mit third Monday of September, for the pe-pose of recommending a trustee for their bi-nefit and to all the county binefit, and to show cause, if any they him, why the said George Poole should not hat the benefit of the acts as prayed for. God under my hand this twenty-third day of April

eighteen hundred and thirteen.

April 20 Richard H. Harwool. Anne-Arundel County, sc

ON application to me, the subscriber, is in recess of Anne-Arundel county coun, use associate judge for the third judicial district! Maryland, by petition, in writing, of Wittle AM WHETCROFT, of said county, praying for the benefit of the ad for the relief of saudy AM WHETCROFT, of said county, praying as the benefit of the aft for the relief of such insolvent debtors, and the several stoppendant thereto, on the terms mentioned in said also a schedule of his property, and a listed his creditors, on oath, being annexed to his prition, and having satisfied me that he has as sided in the state of Maryland two year is mediately preceding the time of his application having also stated in his petition that he in confinement for debt, and having land to be discharged; I do hereby order and aljudge, that the person of the said William What croft be discharged from imprisonment, the years of the discharged from imprisonment, in the Maryland Gazette for three mouths as cessively, before the third Monday in September next, give notice to his creditors, to appear before the county court of said county, on he said third Monday of September, for his purpose of recommending a trustee for the benefit, and to shew cause, if any they large why the said William Whetcroft should see the benefit of the after any large may be any depth and to shew cause, if any they large why the said William Whetcroft should see the benefit of the after any large means the said say they have the benefit of the after any large means the said say they are any they large when the purpose of recommending a trustee for the second says they are the said William Whetcroft should say they are the purpose of recommending a trustee for the second says they are the said William Whetcroft should say they are the said William Whetcroft should say they are the say they are they are the say they are the say they are the say they are the say they are they are the say they are they are they a have the benefit of the ads as prayed for

Richard H. Harwood DISSOLUTION OF PARTNER SHIP.

The partnership heretofore exists between John Childs and George Shaw and conducted under the firm of Childs and Shaw are supported to the Shaw and conducted the shaw and shaw are shawn as the shaw are shawn as the shaw are shawn as the shawn as the shawn are shawn as the shawn are shawn as the of Shaw, was dissolved by mutual consent on the first day of April. All persons having claims against them, are requested to present them, and those in the consent them. debted to make immediate payment the subscriber who is authorised to see

the subscriber who is authorised the the business of the firm.

JOHN CHILDS.

The business will in future be conducted by the subscriber, at the subscriber, at the substand occupied by Childrend Shari, and attended to the subscriber of the subscr and attention to please, to merit and receive that patronage which he has he therto enjoyed. May 6.

ANNAPOLIS.

THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1813.

After our paper of this morning was or put to press, we were politely favour- T ed with the National Intelligencer of fr yesterday morning, the most impor- er tant contents of which we hasten to C lay before our readers.

North Western Army. Fo

CHILICOTHE, May 10. An express arrived yesterday from car the army, bringing the important in- and telligence contained in the following bee etters. We have only time to add, ner hat we hope that the numerous re- hol forcements now on their march to arri oin Harrison will arrive at the the Rapids before the enemy effect their kill retreat; in which case we may ven- who ture to predict that Malden will be liev ours before the 1st of June.

Extract of a letter from the Post-Mas- Ind ter in Franklinton to the Post-Mas- sone ter in this place, who has politely fa-roured us with a copy of it. dated " Franklinton, May 9.

" While writing, news has arrive were n from Fort Meigs, which is lament- sider ble. The British cannon spiked, If re nd forty prisoners-contra. 650 Ken- pect, ucky militia killed or taken. The ort was yet safe on the 5th. I men ave not learnt the particulars; but prob ou will receive them no doubt will

y the mail."
"The Chillicothe volunteer horseen arrived here this evening."

tract of a letter from a member of for in the Chilicothe Guarde, dated Copy " Head-Quarters, Sandusky, Copy

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8th May, 1813. "An express has just arrived I wom Camp Meigs and brings the from the mmanding general's letters to the in dail pvernor and Secretary of War. 500 st ey contain in substance the fol- row n wing account of their proceedings govern to the 5th inst. They, the ene- rits, a , invested the fort on the 26th Meigs. but did nothing except a little arrived coting with small arms until the dispate of May, when the cannonade 5th in nmenced from our side, while my's co enemy were erecting and prepar- posite their batteries, two on the op- some I ite side and one on this side the rear of ami river. Gen. Clay sent an 3d of M ress to the commanding General, batterie orning him of his approach and and tre-resting orders. The General inch ho ediately sent him orders to land several force [coming down in boats] on and ball opposite shore, and attack the ed in this hatteries at a given hour, was do a the General designed a sortie during t he battery on this side, which M'Cullo commanded by Col. Miller, of is among 19th U. S. infantry. Both were the 3d, t pletely successful. Gen. Clay mortar l e the enemy and spiked 7 pieces river, willery, but unfortunately when yards of militia are successful they have forced to ch confidence. They remain- tance. A a the ground, amused by the of the 4

ited that army (c) - to it spiess heir utmost horror and detestati-

But although, it is undeniable, hat the enemies of the living Washagton, preside over our destinies, ethaps, now that he is dead, they are onverts to his principles .- Strange ideed, if the principles, which, in is day secured our peace, vindicatd our honor, maintained tranquiliyat home and respect abroad, ad raised our country to the highst pitch of greatness, should be the ame principles, which, in our day ave lost our peace, sacrificed our onour, scattered discord at home, and made us the scorn of one bellierent and the victim of the other. cannot be. . The same fountains end not forth sweet waters and bit-

The principle of Washington, thich lay at the foundation of his ory, and was the foundation of his fory, and was the basis of the bles-ing of his day, was to introduce interest and talent, into the conduct of public affairs. The principle of of and instruments. With these con ment the great requisite is political of the control of the c