quarters of the Prince Vice Roy were established midway at Volta, During this brilliant day, the army has displayed the greatest valors [Montrer.]

Imperial Head Quarters at Troyes, ? the 21th Feb. 1814.

We Napoleon, &c. &c. decree. ART. 1. There shall be made a list of all Frenchmen in service of the coalested powers, or who under what pretexts soever, have followed the enemy in his invasion of our Empire, since the 20th December,

ART. 2. All individuals within this description shall be tried with out any loss of time, before our courts, condemned to the punishment agreeable to law, and their property confiscated as the profit of the revenues of the state.

ART. 3. All Frenchmen, who in places occupied by the enemy, and during his stay, have worn the signs of decorations of the ancient dynasty, shall be declared traitors, tried as such by a military commission, and condemned to be shot. Their property shall be confiscated as the profit of the revenue of state.

ART. 4. Our ministers are charged with the execution of this de-

Paris, Feb. 28.

Baron Marulaz writes from Besanion, that the enemy made an attack on the side of Brequille, on the 31st Jan. in the night. They were every where repulsed at the cries of Vive L'Empereur. They have lost more than 1200 men.

All the Cossacks who were spread abroad as far as Orleans, have withdrawn in haste; every where the peasants pursue, and have taken and killed a great number. These Tartars, who have nothing of humanity about them are committing dreadful depredations. In the village of Yonne they were amusing them. selves in burning a beautiful house -the tocsin sounded, and the inhabitants threw about 80 of them into the flames.

. The Emperor Napoleon on the evening of the 20th had his Head Quarters at Nogent.

The whole enemy's army were in march towards Troyes. Winzingerode, who had quitted Soissons, passed by Rheims towards Chalons to unite himself with the wreck of Blu-

cher's army. Soissons is a place protected from a coup de main. Winzingerode at the head of 4 or 5000 light troops, summoned it to surrender. Gen. Rus-ca auswered as he ought. Winzingerode placed against it a battery of 12 pieces. Unfortunately, the first shot fired killed Gen. Rusca. A thousand men of the national guard was its only garrison. They were panic struck, and the enemy entered Soissons where they committed all the horrors imaginable.

The Duke of Castiglione (Augereau) sets out from Lyons with a very large army composed of choice troops, to penetrate Franche Compte and Switzerland.

The Congress of Chatillion continues, but the enemy uses every kind of impediments to its progress. The Cossacks stop the Couriers at every step. They compel them to go so far out of their way, that al-though they are only 30 leagues from Chatilla in a straight line, the Courier arrives only in 4 or 5 days .-It is the first time the laws of nations have been thus violated .-Among the least civilized nations the Couriers of Ambassadors are respected, and no hindrance is given to their communications with their governments.

The inhabitants of Paris may expect the greatest misfortunes if, on the arrival of the enemy at their gates, they should deliver up the city without defending it. Pillage, devastation and conflagration would finish the destinies of this fair capi-

Government has received dispatenes from admiral Verheuil to the 12th. This admiral who commands the fleet of the Texel has by his good arrangements and courage preserved it untouched at New-Diep. and caused the fortifications which defend the Helder and the Texel road to be respected.

A decree of 22d Feb. has been issued at Paris, announcing the declaration of war by the King of Naples against France, and recalling. all Frenchmen in his service.

Montpelier, Egb. 12. During the last 6 days, a superb division of Marshal Suchet's army has passed here on its way to complete the army of Marshal Angereau, consisting of 8000 infantry, 1800 cavalry, 300 artillerists, with a park of 140 pieces of cannon.

Prom the Boston Palladium THOM OUR CORRESPONDENT. Office of the Newport Mercury, Sunday evening, April 17.

LATEST FROM ENGLAND. This day arrived Swedish ship Prince Carl Johan, Gaptain Oberg, 63 days from London, and 5 from Bermuda, in ballast, where she put in. Capt. O. left Bermuda on Monday last, and informs us that a ship arrived there on Sunday, (the day before he sailed) 35 days from Eng. land. Capt. Oberg, was informed by the Captain that he brought London papers to the 1st. of March and that there had been a severe battle between the French and allied ar. mies in France; that the allies were defeated with considerable loss, and had retreated about 90 miles. The captain also informed, that in consequence of the arrival of the Bramble, the expedition fitting out for America had been suspended-and that the general opinion of the merchants in England, was, that a peace would speedily take place beween America and Great-Britain. The above are all the particulars capt. O. was enabled to obtain.

By the above arrival we were favoured with Bermuda papers to April 9, but they contain nothing of consequence.

Adm. Cochrane was at Bermuda on the 10th inst. and would sail in a few days for the American coast.

Adm. Warren, in the San Domingo, with the Terpsichore frigate (captured from the French by the Majestic) in co. sailed from Bermuda on the 7th inst. for England.

The Bulwark 74, with a convoy from England, arrived on the 7th and sailed again on the 10th for the American coast. She sailed from England l'eb. 10th. There were about 600 American

prisoners at Bermuda; a ship was preparing to carry them to Halifax. Same day arrived here reluces Anon, Artomire, 23 days from Porto Rico. Two days at was boarded by the U. S. corvette ADAMS, Captain Morris, but did not learn

BOSTON, April 20. LATEST REPORTS FROM EN-GLAND.

any particulars of her cruise.

From our attentive Correspondent. New-Bedford, April 18.

"By a gentleman of respectability who was a passenger in a Spa ish ship from P. Rico to N. London, and who left her yesterday of Block Island, and who landed at Seconnet Point, I am informed, that on the rassage from P. Rico, which they left 20 days, since, they spoke, and the informant was on board a British vessel from Greenock, for the West Indies, the captain of which informed that he had London papers on board to the second of March, which he was not willing to part with, but stated verbally :

"The Commissioners had been appointed by the British government o meet the American Commissioners at Gottenburg.

" That the Allies had received some check in France, and had retired from Fontainbleau to Troyes, in order, as was stated, to concentrate their forces

" That Hamburg still held out the last dates, but several places in the North, garrisoned by French troops, had surrendered, and

"That Lord Wellington remained in the vicinity of Bayonne.

> MEADVILLE. (P.) APRIL 6. Malden Retaken.

Current accounts from the east. ward, state that Malden is again in possession of the enemy. The detachment so gallantly repulsed on the river Thames, by capt. Holmes, was the advanced guard of the British army, estimated at from 3 to 5000 men. We had a small force stationed at Malden, who evacuated the Fort and retired to Detroit on the approach of the enemy.

It is said that Gen. Harrison is marching to the relief of the Michigan Territory, with a considerable regular and Indian force.

The views of the enemy in repossessing this post, are obviously to prevent our shipping from passing into the upper Lake, until they have a naval force competent to contend with us, completed on those waters.

BURLINGTON, (VT.) APRIL 15. Fifteen hundred of the Vermont militia are ordered out by His Excellency Gov. Chittenden, at the request of Major Gen. Wilkinson, 500 are to be stationed at this post, and 1000 at Vergennes. They are to be detached from Major General Chipman's division.

NEW YORK, April 20. A letter from a ver, respectable gentleman in Bourdeaux, to his cotspondent in ith's oity, dated the 2d March, says, 11 have just heard that your plen pot ntiaries (Ameri can) have been mer at Gottenburg by those of England, and it is expecled a peace will be the result."

Another letter of the 5th March Says, MLord Wellington's army had battle with Soult's, at Ortes, on the 28th of February, in which the latter was defeated with the loss of 6000 men."

To the Editors of the Mercantile Ad-

Boston, Saturday Evening.

GENTLEMEN, We have seen a gentleman from Portsmouth, who informs us, that an express arrived at that place yes. terday afternoon, with information that eight ships were off to the eastward of Portsmouth.

British fleet out on Lake Champlain. A gentleman arrived in town last evening, who left Vergennes on Tuesday last, and informs us, that Lake Champlain is free from ice, and that on Monday last the British fleet (9 sail) made their appearance off Burlington, and on Tuesday were about ten miles below that place, standing for Vergennes. That about 1000 militia had assembled at Vergennes, and every preparation was making there and at Burlington to give the enemy a warm reception, should he have the temerity to attempt to destroy our fleet, which was considered perfectly safe. That he ship which had been building at Vergennes was safely launched on Monday last, but would not be ready for sea under a month; her rigging, cables, anchors and guns, not having arrived. Her sails, however, were making. She is to carry 28 guns. No action had taken place since the Stone Mill affair.

> ALBANY, APRIL 19. Sackett's Harbour.

Serious apprehensions are gene rally entertained for the safety of our fleet at Sickett's Harbour. It would indeed be a most mortifying wound to our naval pride and glory. should the gallant Chauncey be obliged to surrender even to a superior force. The situation of that excellent officer, however, is one more proof of the imbecility of our administration. The munitions of war, the cannon, &c. &c. which ought to have been on the spot last tall, are now scattered along the road, and some of them sticking in the mud, others are now laying on the docks in this city. If, therefore, Chauncey's squadron does not fall a prey to the enemy, it will be owing to unexampted skill, galiantry and good fortune. The admini stration have done their est towards giving up the fleet. [Register.]

NEW-LONDON, APRIL 20. The British squadron in the Sound consists of a 74, 2 frigates, a sloop of war and a brig. The sloop of war and a brig are up Sound, the others lay off this port.

Our squadron lies between 3 and 4 miles below Chelsea anding. The United States and Macedonian are remain on board them. When captain Jones informed his crew that they were going with him to Lake Ontario, they expressed their satisfaction by three cheers. The Hornet will not be dismantled.

Com. Decatur has it at his option to take command of the President, or of the Guerrier of 44 guns, which will be launched in a few days at Philadelphia.

Several of the officers of the Macedonian have left here for New-York.

E. Tracy, Esq. Deputy Commissary of purchases, who had received orders to procure the means of transporting some cannon from Norwich to the Lakes, has received counter orders; and several of the guns of the frigate United States, which had been hoisted out, are taken on board again. This we think has a strong squinting towards an

HERKIMER, APRIL 14.

Sackett's Hurbour Blockaded. Sackett's Harbour is blockaded by the British fleet. The inhabitants, merchants, &c. removing their property into the interior for safety. One of the new British ships at least, is out, mounting 60 long heavy guns. The British fleet appeared off the mouth of the Harbour the day after the ice cleared out. From the manner in which we received this information, we have reason to believe it substantially correct if not in every particular.

MARYLAND GAZETTE

ANNAPOLIS, THURSDAY APRIL 28. 1814 The Court of Appeals will sit, by adjournment, in this City on Manday the second day of May pext, for the purpose of hearing arguments and deciding cases.

From the commencement, to the final termination of the war which result ed in the independence of our country, one commander in chief was suffi. cient to conduct our armies. Two years have not yet expired since this war was declared, & we have already had Two, both of whom have given place to the appointment of a third. How many more Mr. Madison will think necessary before it is brought to a conclusion, time alone can disclose. Never was man more unfortunate in bestowing his confidence, or lavishing honour on favourites, than he has been, and still he has no claims upon the charity of his fellow-citizens, because those were errors committed against the conviction of evidence and the light of reason. Let the advocates of this truly ridiculous contest, who fancied Cahada ours 'ere the bugle sounded the dreadful note of war on the frontiers, hunt for apologies for all the blunders that have been committed in atte:npting to vanquish it, and reconcile, if possible, the pledges made by its authors with their performances, for we feel no disposition to undertake so Herculean a labour-Let every friend of the president, on whom the greatest portion of the odium rests, every political Esculapius, who is always ready with nostrums at hand, to heal any wounds inflicted on our national character,-by the disgraceful manner in which this war has been conducted, make one more effort to heal them, for they exhibit a scene loathsome and ugly; let them accomplish this, and we shall then stop at the goal whence we started, with little or no alteration in our condition, except a little wisdom gathered from experience, and a weight of publie debt hanging upon the treasury, gnawing its vitals for half a century

The reports of an immediate arrangement for a suspension of hostilities, and the defeat of the allies, rest so nearly upon a footing in point of credibility, that we publish them without comment, leaving our readers to draw their own conclusions; advising them, however, at the same time, to admit what appears reasonable, and reject what carries on its front, the stamp of absurdity and misrepresentation.

From Relf's Gazette.

Among the multifarious rumours which are in circulation, relative to an expected armistice, the following has reached us in a very creditable dismantling. A sufficient guard will manner :- A letter from a member of Congress to his friend in this city, says, the articles of an armistice have been agreed upon, and will be promulgated in Canada, the United States, and on the coast, on the 15th of May.

> Extract of a letter from a gentleman of information and respectability, dated Washington, April 18.

" Of the rumoured armistice I have no certain information. Putting together what I hear, I am satisfied that a negotiation with a view to an armistice is going on.
The following is the probable statement: A Judge — of New-York, who was lately in Canada, had a conversation with Baynes, in which the latter expressed a wish for a suspension of hostilities; this the Judge communicated to Mr. W. of the House of Representatives, who sent the judge's letter to Armstrong Through Gen: Winder, our government inquired of Prevost, whether they were to consider this expression of sentiment on the part of Baynes, as an authorised proposition for an armistice. Prevost answered, that it had not been authorised, but he was willing the American government should receive it as such. Further communications have passed, and our government is willing to agree to an armistice which shall extend to our seaboard, as well as to the frontiers, and which shall

enult, you we at competent to judge at Lan Da: [W. F. Bu. Pill]

From the N w-York Gazette It is with the most poignant regret, we learn that the late rumours relative to negotiations for an an-MISTICE, are entirely without four dation, and that the flag lately sent to the British squadron related merely to the exchange of prisoners, as did the late correspondence between our government and Sir Geo.

The following letter will be read with interest, because it is from the pen of Mr. Harper. It was written to an old friend of Mr. H's who is now in congress on the side of administration. Annapolis, Jan. 16, 1814.

I received by the last mail, at this place, my dear sir, your kind letter of the 12th, enclosing your address, which I have read with very particular satisfaction. It expresses the sentiments of a candid, enlightened and patriotic mind, and is precisely what I should have wished myself to say, had I entertained the same

view of public affairs with you. It gives me great pleasure however, to find that our views do not much differ. Your sentiments, ex. cept in the single point of approving the declaration of war, complete accord with mine, and belong well ly to that political system which we denominate " federalism," as understood by its most enlightened and distinguished adherents. If I concurred with you in believing that the war was properly declared. I should think with you that the administration ought to be supported in it, whatever might be their mode of carrying it on; until at least it should become manifest, that they were incapable of conducting it, or determined not to put an end to it till compelled. On these two last points I am already satilled. But I give you a year longer toreflect on them. If you do not then agree with me in opinion, I must give you another year.

When I say however that I do not approve the declaration of war, I do not by any means intend to say, that it was undertaken from corrupt motives. Far from it. I never have doubted that the great mass of its authors & supporters were actuated by public motives, and believe themselves to be consulting the pub-lic interest. In this number by ly class Mr. Madison, and even Jefferson, of whom I have a much worse opinion, and whom I consider as the author of the war system. But I do most firmly believe, that the motives which actuated those gentlemen, and their principal associates, were never such as they have avowed; that they never cared two pence about free trade and sailors rights, which were mer pretexts; that the war was resolved on in 1805 or 1806; and that its real objects were to assist France in breaking down the maritime power of England; which those gentlemen had brought themselves to consider as conducive to the true interests of this country. Had they freely avowed their motives, I should have considered and treated them as honourable and patriotic men, who had honestly adopted an erroneous system in politics. They would have had my opposition and my respect. My resentment and abhorrence towards them is founded on the conviction, produced by a long and minute attention to their political conduct, that they have cheated the nation under false pretences into a war, to which it would never have sub-

mitted, had the real motives been avowed or understood.

As to Mr. Madison I admitted this opinion slowly, and reluctantly. I imbibed an early respect for nis character, founded on his public conduct, before I ever saw him. I also partook largely of the admiration which his talents in early life inspired. Soon after my entrance into public life, I changed my opinion of him as a politician. Still admiring his intellectual powers and attainments, and respecting highly his personal character, I found or thought I found him to be a visionary theorist, qualified to shine in the speculations of the closet, but the slave of passion, prejudice and party spirit, and totally unfit for the administration of any government. All my subsequent knowledge of him confirmed this opinion. Still I knew him to be an smiable and upright man in private life, and believed him to be honourable and sincere, though visionary, feeble, and narrow sighted in his political character. This opinion to which I strongprevent any invasion of territory ly adhered, has been gradually gively either power. What will be the ing ground since the year 1805. It

Brisish government, on of the orders in council. vent totally changed it's public acl of Mr. Madiso has added force to the us of him which I then rela dopted. Had he accepte mistice, and made peace, no doubt that he im done, on terms not only honourable, but satisfacte nation, I should have par former errors, and done power to bring my friend support of his administrat The opposite course then took, convince me real objects of the war,

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porters, were fraught wit

most danger to the intere country; and that nothing for its real friends, but b and vigorous opposition to from power. It was not nion, a question of wealth merce, or prosperity. T minor considerations, wi least; for I knew that or however diminished, wou sufficient, and even though had grown too rich, and to our real happiness. We spoiled children of fortu too great prosperity had rampant and riotous, and making us selfish, mercen. feminate. Neither was i on of the evils and sufferin for I never believed that t be so great as they were many, nor thought that necessary, as we all am must sometimes be, oug shunned on account of its sufferings. I moreover war has its good side as w bad, its benefits as well as chiefs, and that it is usefu ry nation, at least once in ceeding generation, to be in war. It represses the l and brings forward the gre of the human character. toms men to submit to pri suffering for the sake of p of honour. It calls them the pursuit of gain, and them in the pursuit of raises talents and cours mere wealth. It imparts and energy to the national which continue after the ver, and animate all the p peace. Hence the most f and distinguished nation: dern as well as ancient tir always been those tha most frequently. It was, not on account of its losse

mities chiefly that I depre Still less was it with m tion of power, for I had r engage in public life mys can say the same, from my knowledge, concerning t men of the party with w connected. All that we de to see the country well g and if that object were att should have preferred se government in the hands Jefferson, Mr. Madison, friends, as being most please the mass of the peop of whom had conceived p most unfounded indeed.

strong against the opposite

But my invincible object war, my dread and horro subject of it, arose from a conviction of its necessary vitable tendency to chain chariot wheels of Buons bind us to his alliance, to us in the bottomless pit of minion, and reduce us to t tion of all the vassal. natio he has deluded and dev believed, and still firmly that had he been successfo rope, as was confidently here when the war was this country would have be moment effectively, and avowedly, under his domir minister here would have absolute as the French mir at Berlin or Munich ; an vernment would have been ble and passive instrume dominion. His edicts wo assumed for a while the fo of congress, but that we have been laid aside, and dared to resist would have stroyed by popular violence lifety execution; would he ad the fate of De Witt or That the authors of this

general, intended to prod effects Lby no means belie in such cases, infatuation much as wickedness, and s even more; and when I