

There will be a meeting of the Executive Council of Maryland on Thursday the 24th inst.

THE COURT OF APPEALS. Of this shore closed its June Term on Saturday last, after a session of nearly five weeks.

ALEXANDER DUVALL, who shot Major N. Musgrove, his father-in-law, on the 6th inst. in Montgomery county, was taken on the Tuesday following, and it is said, is now in jail in Washington.

PRESENTMENT. At a Special Court held in Montgomery County last week, for the trial of certain criminals, the Grand Jury presented as follows the calling of the said Court.

Cassandra Bassford, a white woman, and a negro named Dick, were tried during this session, for the murder of Solomon Thompson, in March last, and acquitted.

The following statement is from a gentleman residing in the neighbourhood where the occurrence mentioned in it took place:

HORRID SUICIDE. Friday 11th instant, William Hood, Jr. of Anne Arundel county, aged about 40 years, very deliberately made a pen of a number of old rails, which he filled with combustibles, consisting of dry straw, fodder, and pine brush; at the bottom he left an aperture, through which he entered the pen with a piece of fire, and applied it to the straw, &c. In a few seconds the whole was in a state of rapid conflagration.

WAR. The following is a chronological list of the various wars between England and France during the last seven centuries.

Table with 4 columns: Date, Duration, Date, Duration. Lists wars from 1141 to 1562.

Those who, from practical knowledge are well enabled to compute the numbers who fell in every year, might know that they would, in the aggregate, amount to no less than 36 millions of mankind, if 10,000 may be taken as a fair average for every year.

A FAULT. It is the fault of our countrymen to think too lightly in bestowing the most important offices.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT. Two meetings have been held in Allegany relative to the proposed connexion of the waters of the Potomac with those of the western states.

DR. JOHNSON'S MARRIAGE. The following curious account of his journey with his wife to church, on the nuptial morn, was given to Mr. Boswell by the Doctor himself.

THE NOTED MRS. CARSON. The noted Mrs. Carson has been sentenced by the Mayor's Court of Philadelphia to undergo the punishment of seven years hard labour in the penitentiary, for having passed counterfeit notes.

PARSNIPS. Parsnips may be raised to great advantage as a second crop to peas; the seed to be sown when the peas are.

WHEAT. An experienced farmer says, in an essay on the culture of wheat, that "most farmers let their wheat stand too late.

THE COURT OF APPEALS. Wednesday, July 9. BUCHANAN, J. delivered the opinion of the court in Snowden's Ex'or. et al. vs. Dorsey, et al. Appeal dismissed.

THE COURT OF APPEALS. Thursday, July 10. EARLE, J. delivered the opinion of the court in Chambers et al. vs. Chambers. Decree reversed without prejudice.

THE COURT OF APPEALS. Friday, July 11. MARTIN, J. delivered the opinion of the court in Roberts et al. vs. Glenn, Ex'or. et al. Decree reversed.

THE COURT OF APPEALS. Saturday, July 12. DORSEY, J. delivered the opinion of the court in Scott et al. vs. Murray et al. Judgment reversed.

ON INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS. From the American Farmer. To the Citizens of the State of Maryland. My fellow citizens, The subject of internal improvements...

When my letter to Clement Dorsey, on this interesting subject was published in the American Farmer, (vol. 4 pages 19 20) I intended to present to your view some further reflections...

The gigantic strides, the rapid march of the state of New York towards wealth, power and happiness; the efforts of Virginia on one side of us, and of Pennsylvania on the other, to appropriate, each to herself, the trade of a large portion of the western country, speak a language which we cannot misunderstand...

Since the commencement of operations, in the year 1817, in making the great Erie canal, my continual employment, as civil engineer, on objects of improvement in inland navigation, has afforded me abundant opportunities of becoming acquainted, as far as subject, in this serious important bearing, in theory and practice; and it has been my favourite study...

Permit me to say a few words more on the advantages of several markets in competition with each other. When the cultivator of the soil has but one great commercial market, the mercantile interest acquires too much influence over the agricultural...

The proposed improvement, it is true, would place one market, and probably a considerable one, in the District of Columbia, and, technically speaking, this is not in the state of Maryland...

I have heard it alledged, by some of my neighbours, as, on the point, an objection to the proposed canal, that, if the friends of that project be correct in their estimate of the cheapness of conveyance, it will place those who come 100 miles by the canal on a par with those who have only 5 miles of land carriage; and those say they who have to encounter the expense of a greater distance than five miles of land carriage will be undersold, and by the reduction of prices generally, be placed in a condition much worse than their present one.

By the operation of the contemplated canal, a vast amount of capital in wagons and horses will be set free for a more profitable investment; and a more extensive agriculture will be introduced into the country...

On this point, the comparative advantage of the Potomac route, seen an excellent Essay, in two numbers, with the signature of Edward M. from the pen of our late illustrious friend Thomas Moore, published in the National Intelligencer and in the American Farmer...

PHILOSOPHICAL INTELLIGENCE. Received by late arrivals from Europe. Mr. J. Frederick Daniell, well known as the inventor of an hygrometer, is about to publish a work entitled "Essays on Meteorological Subjects."

The machines invented by Mr. Babbage, for calculating mathematical tables, has received the approbation of the Royal Society. The British Treasury have again referred it to a committee of that body to report the sum that will be required to carry it into successful operation...

The condensation of the gases into liquids still continues to be the favourite pursuit of the English chemists; and Mr. Perkins, who has also directed his attention to this subject, states that he has actually condensed atmospheric air. In fact there are few of the gases that continue to resist.

Extract of a letter written by John Adams, the day after the declaration of Independence. FOURTH OF JULY. "Yesterday the greatest question was decided which was ever debated in America, and a greater, perhaps, never was or will be decided among men. A resolution was passed without one dissenting colonial, that these United States are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states."

It is very difficult to decide on the course which the Emperor Alexander will pursue, should the successful resistance of Spain to French aggression induce the latter to call on Alexander for aid. It is evident that the English ministers have a watchful eye on the movements of Russia, or whose policy they cannot but be jealous, after the many proofs which she has given of her disposition for aggrandizement.

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NAVY OFFICERS. A return of the number of officers in the English Navy, as reported to Parliament in May last.

Table with 4 columns: No. on the list, Afloat, Half-pay, Retired Officers. Lists various ranks and numbers.

ANECDOTE OF A JEWISH LADY. The learned Shickard, relates the following from R. Abraham Levi:

A Saracen commander of a fleet from Cordoba, in Spain, cruising on the coast of Palestine, took a vessel bound to Baitane, with some learned Jews on board; there was an eminent Rabbi among the rest, called H. Moses, father of R. Enoch, together with his wife, whose name is omitted in the story, though it well deserved to be recorded.

Such are a part of the dangers by which the delights of an Alpine residence are compensated. But there are others still more frightful, both to the imagination, and in reality. The snow does not only slide from the mountains, but the mountains themselves slide down upon the valleys.

From the National Gazette. Mr. Editor, You take editorial notice of Rousseau, who has made his appearance in London, induced me to refer to some notes taken a few years since in France, where I witnessed several exhibitions of his astonishing muscular powers.

Among a great many public exhibitions, I have witnessed none with more interest & pleasure than the surprising athletic feats of two brothers named Rousseau. They are natives of Little in the department of Nord, and hence derive their appellation of Les Hercules du Nord.

Nature has cast these two brothers in her finest mould, and so alike as to render it sometimes difficult to tell them apart. They are not like the rough hewn objects we sometimes see, and whose clumsy strength we seldom notice.

Hercules commenced with lifting 40 iron weights of 30 pounds each, (belonging to the custom house) making a burden including the large board upon which they were placed exceeding 2,000 pounds.

Hercules took his brother upon one shoulder, and a man of equal weight upon the other (each weighing nearly 200 lbs.) and walked around the stage for a considerable time upon his toes only, with apparent ease and great precision.

Two men six feet in height, stood side by side about four feet apart. They each held a hat in the hand nearest each other and levated them as high as they could reach. Standing between them Hercules made a perpendicular leap without any other stay or assistance, and knocked down both hats at the same instant with his feet.

Two rats were hung against the side scenes about ten feet in height. Aided by a short start across the stage, Hercules knocked them both down with his feet. These exploits were so methodically arranged, as to afford a scientific display of the force of the muscles moving the various parts of the body.

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