

**From Alexandria.—**Deal. Humphreys, H. G., Col. Jonathan Smith & Co., George...  
**From Leesburg.—**J. P. Merriman, Wm. H. Chilton, esq.,  
**From Rockville.—**B. Foster, esq.  
 At 4 o'clock, Major John Graham took the chair, Singleton DuVal, esq. acting as secretary. Mr. Goldsborough having made some preliminary observations, read the report of the committee.—Upon which a long and interesting discussion ensued, of which we give a brief outline. The speakers to give were: F. A. Schley, John Richey, Wm. H. Winder, John Nelson, Augustus Tasey, F. S. Key, and B. S. Pigan, esqs.  
 The resolutions were finally passed as follows:—

The undersigned being appointed a committee on the part of the citizens of Frederick county, to correspond with the constituted authorities of the city of Baltimore, Washington, Alexandria, Georgetown, &c. on the subject of the contemplated canal from Cumberland down the Potomac to the Chesapeake, and the lateral or cross cut canal from the Potomac to Baltimore, beg leave to report. That they have given all due attention to the subject which is very important, not only to the state of Maryland but to the United States, so well known; and although they regret that the inability of the commissioners to complete the survey of the lateral canal from the Potomac to the city of Baltimore, deprives them of the opportunity of making a full and satisfactory report as they wished and expected, yet they feel satisfied in being able to make the following report of their proceedings:—

The committee have communicated with the constituted authorities of Baltimore, Washington, Alexandria, Georgetown and Leesburg, and have the pleasure to inform their fellow citizens of Frederick, that the constituted authorities of all those places, duly impressed with the importance of the occasion, have each resolved to send a highly respectable delegation to attend the meeting, and to confer with us on a subject so deeply implicating the interests of the whole country.

From the united efforts of such a meeting, a united and patriotic committee, having in contemplation the commercial interests of so large a section of the country, and the harmonious intercourse of the citizens of this great Republic, the committee felicitate their fellow citizens with the anticipation of the happiest results.

To our western fellow citizens in Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Kentucky, Missouri, Indiana, and the other portion of the western country, which is watered by the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, facilities will be afforded in the transportation of their heavy and bulky agricultural productions to a choice of markets as great as any in the Union. To the State of Maryland, commercial advantages will be afforded of incalculable amount and of immense extent, and Baltimore will rise to a pitch of grandeur and magnificence which will enable her to vie with the proudest cities in the Union.

The intercourse with the seat of the general government will also be greatly facilitated and increased, and commercial prosperity given to Washington, Georgetown and Alexandria. The committee regret that the inability of the commissioners to complete the survey of the lateral canal, has not yet proceeded so far in their arduous task, as to afford an actual designation of the location; they have however, the gratification to inform their fellow citizens, that the survey so far as it has progressed, affords every prospect of success, and that the lateral canal running through the heart of Frederick county to Baltimore can be effected with great facility.

The committee has also infinitely gratified in being able to say, from a source of information not to be questioned, that the elaborate and highly wrought difficulties in the communication between the Ohio and Potomac, which have been so fully portrayed by Mr. Kenworthy in his late treatise on the subject, have, by an actual survey made within a few weeks past, been found to dwindle into absolute insignificance. That the dismal and midnight darkness of a tunnel, two miles in length, and two hundred feet in depth, has vanishing away before the sun, and has been substituted by a tunnel of two miles in length, and two hundred feet in depth, to connect the waters of Deep Creek (a branch of the Youngs River) on the west side of the mountain, with those of Crab Tree Run or Creek, a branch of Savage River on the east side which empties into the Potomac, no tunnel at all is necessary; and the Herculean task which Mr. K. has so adroitly prepared for us is completely superseded by the discovery of a different route across the mountains.

That this highly important discovery has been made within the last thirty days by an enterprising and meritorious fellow citizen James Shriver, Esq. a gentleman of well known experience and scientific acquirements to make the survey, in which he is now engaged, with the laudable and patriotic view of making a map of that mountainous part of the country, which may well be termed the 'Gibraltar' of Maryland.

According to this truly interesting discovery it now appears that a dam across Deep Creek at Hoopole Narrows, can be constructed at very inconsiderable expense, so as raising the water about 30 feet, to reduce the cutting in the lowest rap to 70 or at most 80 feet, and this being only at the summit, the extent of this depth across will be inconsiderable. That the ledge through the ridge from the point to which the water may be easily dammed, will be but about two miles, and the average of the cutting for that distance by which an ample supply of water will be obtained, will not be more than 25 or 30 feet, affording an easy communication with the Potomac, and securing the trade of Ohio valley, which, with the tributary streams of the Ohio, alone contains about 200,000 square miles. Let the citizens of Maryland, and particularly those of Baltimore; let also the citizens of Washington, Georgetown and Alexandria, let all our western brethren, pause & reflect on this momentous disclosure—let them reflect on the close affinity which is calculated to produce, and the infinite mutual advantages which it will certainly insure to our latest posterity; and they will join us in saying, that under such circumstances and considerations the Allegany mountain divides into a mole hill.

This information, on which we are assured the utmost reliance may be placed, removes at once all difficulties in the proposed national undertaking, and obviates

**THE LOAN.**  
 Of \$300,000, authorized by the commission of the canal fund, was taken by the New York State Bank, at 7 1/2 per cent for 5 per cent bank, &c.

**INDIAN HOSTILITY.**  
 From a St. Louis paper of July 23.  
 Part Aikinon, 24 July 1823.  
 Dear Sir: How painful to me to tell, and you to hear, of the barbarous conduct of the Indians. They continue to receive and murder the most enterprising of our people; and, if we continue to forbear—we do not soon discover a greater spirit of resentment, this river will be discoloring with our blood.

**1st.** Resolved, that this meeting views with great gratification, the efforts of the Legislature of Maryland and the noble and patriotic participation of the Legislature of Virginia, to effect the contemplated water communication by Canal from Cumberland down to the Potomac to tide water; thereby affording to our fellow citizens in the western section of Maryland and Virginia all those advantages and facilities which are the result of water carriage in the transportation of the heavy and bulky agricultural productions of the country; and we look to see this measure, most strenuously persisted in until it be accomplished.

**2d.** Resolved, that in order to afford to our Western fellow citizens, and the citizens of Frederick county, all those advantages resulting from a choice of Markets, and to give to the state of Maryland and to the citizens of Frederick county—all those advantages, which will necessarily result from the passage of a portion of the products of the Western Country through Frederick county to Baltimore, it is in the opinion of this meeting, indispensably necessary that the Legislature of Maryland shall reverse the privilege of a lateral or cross cut canal from the Potomac through Frederick county to the city of Baltimore, and that the junction of the lateral canal with the Potomac shall be made as high up the river, between the mouth of Monocacy and Harper's Ferry as is practicable.

**3d.** Resolved, that this meeting views with increased pleasure the contemplated connection of the Potomac with the Ohio, thereby affording to our fellow citizens in the Western sections of Pennsylvania and Ohio, (whom we cannot consider in any other point of view than as most respectable members of our great political family) the same facilities and advantages which we ourselves enjoy, and a measure calculated most respectably to instigate and perpetuate that intercourse, harmony, and good fellowship which now so happily exists among the members of this great republic, and to perpetuate our great political compact, the basis of our national prosperity and importance, and which, from its truly republican principles and provisions, must result in the happiness of millions yet unborn.

**4th.** Resolved, that in the opinion of this meeting, it is an object of primary importance to the future prosperity of Maryland, that the Potomac be canalized from Cumberland to tide water, and the lateral or cross cut canal from the Potomac through Frederick county to Baltimore, to commence at some point between the mouth of the Monocacy and Harper's Ferry, shall be undertaken as early a day as practicable, and we do most strenuously recommend to the legislature of Maryland the passage of a law to effect the object of these resolutions.

**5th.** Resolved, that John M. Pherson, Abraham Shriver, Wm. Tyler, William Goldsborough, B. S. Pigan, John Nelson and F. A. Schley, esqs. be and they are hereby appointed a committee to correspond on the subject of these resolutions, with the deputations appointed by Baltimore, Washington, Georgetown, Alexandria and Leesburg, to attend this meeting; and also with the Potomac company, where and such person or persons as they may deem expedient, and to concert such measures as may be best calculated to effectuate the objects of said resolutions.

**6th.** Resolved, that the proceedings of this meeting be published in the newspapers in this city, and that the printers throughout the state, be requested to publish the same.

**POTOMAC CANAL.**  
 From the Philadelphia U. States' Gazette.  
 According to the National Intelligencer, there is a law of Maryland in force, authorizing a canal from the Eastern Branch of the Potomac to the Severn River. The execution of such a plan as this, would revive in Annapolis the capital of the state, and a gain render it a seat of trade, in which it could open to us, by an easy route, after the union of the Delaware and Chesapeake shall be completed, the trade of the Potomac and all its connections, than which perhaps none that we enjoy is more valuable. Such a thoroughfare would add much to the trade and accommodation of the seat of the general government, but particularly of Georgetown, which, although it has been too long a prey to anticipations of aggrandizement to its present ease and prosperity, is certainly destined to reap, in due time, the fullest share of those descending riches of the Potomac, of the general cause of selecting the seat of the general government, of which it cannot be deprived, is the circumstance of its being at the head of ship navigation.

**DELAWARE.**  
 Samuel Payson, esq. has been nominated by the Federalists a candidate for the office of Governor of Delaware, in opposition to David Hazard, esq. the democratic candidate.

**PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.**  
 At meetings held in Sumner county, Tennessee, and in Wilton county in the same state, Gen. Andrew Jackson has been nominated as a suitable person to fill the office of President of the United States.

**MR. ADAMS.**  
 An intelligent gentleman of New Orleans, now in this country, has written that Mr. Adams is decidedly the popular candidate for the next President, in that state, and in Louisiana, generally. Newark Eagle.

**POSTSCRIPT.**  
**DEFEAT OF THE PIRATES & CAPTURE OF THEIR VESSELS.**  
 From the Kingston, (Jam.) Courant, July 28.  
 The United States schooners of war Greyhound and Beagle, of 3 guns each, Lieutenant's Commandants Kearney and Newell, came to anchor at Port Royal on Saturday afternoon. They were followed by the British schooner, the Key, of the south side of Cuba, as far as Cape Cruz, touching at all the intermediate ports on the Island, to intercept pirates. On the 21st inst. they came to anchor off Cape Cruz, and Lieut. Com. Kearney went in his boat to reconnoitre the shore, when he was fired on by a party of the pirates, who were concealed among the bushes. A fire was also opened from several pieces of cannon, erected on a hill, and five or six others were manned from the vessels, and pushed off for the shore, but a very heavy cannonade being kept up by the pirates on the heights, as well as from the beach, the boats were compelled to retreat. The two schooners were then warped in, when they discharged several broadsides, and covered the landing of the boats. After a short time the pirates retreated to a mill that was well fortified.

A small hamlet, in which the pirates resided, was set fire to and destroyed. Three guns, one a four pounder, and two large swivels, with several pistols, cutlasses, &c. and a great number of articles were captured. A cave about 150 feet deep was discovered, near where the houses were, and, after considerable difficulty, a party of seamen got to the bottom, where was found an immense quantity of plunder, consisting of broad cloths, dry goods, female dresses, saddlery, &c. &c. Many human bones were also in the cave, supposed to have been unfortunate persons who were taken and put to death within the deal of the articles. A great number of articles were brought away, and the rest destroyed. A boat with many pirates escaped to the heights, but many were supposed to have been killed, from the fire of the schooners, as well as from the men who landed. The bushes were so thick, that it was impossible to go after them. Several other caves are in the neighbourhood, in which it is conjectured they occasionally take shelter. From their houses being burnt, and their boats taken away, it is hoped they will be obliged to retire from that place, as they will be without the means of annoying vessels passing by.

**REPORTED BATTLE.**  
 By a late arrival at Norfolk from Havana, it appears that Havana was being sickly. The pirates captured by Lt. Watson and sent to Havana by Com. Porter, still remained in confinement, not having yet been tried.

**ENGLAND & COLUMBIA.**  
 There has been a recent arrival at Charleston from Jamaica, and under the Kingston head we read the following:—  
 "Kingston, July 29.  
 The Colombian schr. of war Chasseur, Lieutenant Pico, arrived at Port Royal on Thursday morning, in four days from Cartagena, having despatches on board for Commodore Sir Edward Owen."

**PHENOMENON.**  
 From the Hartford (Conn.) Mirror of August 11.  
 It is now well known that the great body of hail stones as firmly united as ice usually is.

**THE INTERMENTS.**  
 In Baltimore during the week ending on Monday morning last amounted to 73.

**Public Sale.**  
 By virtue of a decree of the Court of Chancery, the subscriber will expose to Public Sale, on Thursday the 18th September next, on the premises called SMITH'S FOREST, containing fifty acres of land lying on Martley Creek, within about two miles of Ridgely's (formerly Dorsey's) Furnace. Presuming that persons desirous of purchasing will visit the premises, a description of the land is deemed unnecessary. Terms of Sale—one fourth of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale, the residue in two annual payments, the purchaser giving bond, with approved security, with interest from the day of sale. On the ratification of the sale by the Chancellor, and the payment of the whole purchase money, the trustee is authorized to execute a deed to the purchaser. Sale to commence at 12 o'clock.

**Fifty Dollars Reward.**  
 Ran away on the 8th instant, from the subscriber, living near the Bridge on South River, a negro man named SAM, and calls himself Sam Price. He is about twenty one years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, well built, full face, and fleshy; a blacksmith by trade. His clothing a country cotton jacket and trousers, striped; he will probably change his clothes; he has some reason to believe he has made his way to Ellicott's Mills, having several acquaintances (free coloured persons) residing there. If taken within ten miles of my residence a reward of twenty dollars will be given; if a greater distance from home, and if out of the state or county, fifty dollars will be given, provided I get him again.

JOHN BEARD.  
 N. B. All persons are forewarned harboring or employing said fellow. Aug. 21.

**In Council,**  
 Annapolis, August 8, 1823.  
 The State of Maryland, To all whom it may concern:  
 J. J. Hoogwerff, Esquire, having produced to the executive of this state, an exequatur signed by the president of the United States, and sealed with the seal of the said states, recognizing him as Consul of His Majesty the King of the Netherlands for the port of Baltimore, and places thereunto belonging. Ordered, That the said recognition be published for the information and government of the people of this state. Given under my hand and the seal of the state of Maryland this eighth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty three.

SAMUEL S. FEVERS, Jr.  
 By the Governor,  
 NINTIAN PINKNEY,  
 Clerk of the Council.

**JAMES MONROE.**  
 President of the United States of America.  
 To all whom it may concern: J. J. Hoogwerff, having produced to me his commission as Consul of His Majesty the King of the Netherlands, for the Port of Baltimore, and places thereunto belonging, I hereby recognize him as such, and declare him free to exercise and enjoy such functions, powers and privileges as are allowed to Consuls of the most favoured nations in the United States. In testimony whereof I have caused these letters to be made patent, and the seal of the United States to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand and seal at the city of Washington, the twenty-fifth day of May, A. D. 1823, and of the Independence of the United States of America the forty seventh.  
 JAMES MONROE,  
 By the President,  
 John Quincy Adams,  
 Secretary of State.

The foregoing to be published three times in the Maryland Gazette at Annapolis; the Patriot, American and Federal Gazette at Baltimore; the Examiner at Frederick town; Maryland Herald at Hager's Town; the Star, at Easton; National Intelligencer, and Bond of Union at Wash. Air.  
 Aug. 14.

**NOTICE.**  
 Port Severn, July 31, 1823.  
 Proposals will be received until the 20th of August for a contract for furnishing the post at Port Severn, with 175 cords of good oak wood, to be delivered at the Post, by the last of November 1823. Proposals would will be preferred.

T. W. HENDRICK,  
 U. S. Army, Post Quarter Master.