

TONTINES.

From the NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER.

Tontines are little understood in the United States, though long known in most countries of the old world.

A Tontine on the basis of six per cent stock of the United States, the interest to be divided annually, and the capital in 20 years would be on a par with the best of the European Tontines.

The Washington Tontine, the basis of which is a rising property, must do infinitely more than this.

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Congress OF THE United States of America. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MONDAY, December 5.

Mr. J. Randolph, after the minutes of Friday, were read, said he perceived that certain persons having claims against the United States, had obtained an order of the House for a reference of their claims to a select committee.

Mr. Nicholson, informing Mr. J. Randolph that another petition on the same subject had been referred the preceding day to the same committee, he asked if the gentleman had not better include both in his motion.

Mr. J. Randolph incorporated the suggestion of his friend in his motion. And on the question there was yeas 36 and nays 27.

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A petition was presented but not read; it was stated by the member presenting it that the petitioner had been obliged to pay duties which the law did not require, and he thereupon requests the interference of Congress to reimburse the same.

Gen. VARNUM in the chair. The committee agreed to the eight article, with a small amendment to the first, and another to the 4th. They reported the same and the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, December 6.

Mr. Wilson, elected in the stead of Mr. Moore, who has been appointed a member of the Senate of the United States, appeared, and being sworn to support the constitution, took his seat.

Mr. J. C. Smith presented the petition of Sally Ruft of Kent in Connecticut, the only child of an old soldier, who was drowned the last year of the revolutionary war, praying to be allowed the lands due to him.

A petition from the directors and agents of the Ohio company, praying permission to lease certain lots reserved within their purchase for the support of schools and religious purposes, &c.

Mr. M. Clay reported a new bill respecting the marine insurance company of Alexandria, granting the power to insure against fire. The same was twice read and referred to a committee of the whole to-morrow.

Mr. Crowningshill reported from the committee of commerce & manufactures on the petitions of the Library company of Philadelphia and the transfer of Princeton college for the remission of duties on certain books imported.

The petition of captain Peter Landais, commander of the Alliance frigate, during part of our revolutionary war, praying an allowance for prize money due to him from that period.

Mr. Clarke reported from the committee appointed on the subject that further time should be allowed to the claimants of lands in Georgia, south of Tennessee for regaining their titles in the office of the Secretary of State.

The House then resumed the unfinished business of yesterday in relation to the impeachment of Judge Chase.

They voted to concur in the amendments and yesterday in committee of the whole to that the articles remain in the same form as reported by the select committee.

Mr. Nicholson called the yeas & nays, and was supported by the constitutional clause.

The question on agreeing to the first article was accordingly taken by yeas and nays, and here appeared to be 83 in the affirmative, and 34 in the negative.

The second article was also agreed to, yeas 83—nays 35.

The third article was agreed to, there being yeas—84—nays 34.

The fourth article being under consideration Mr. Emur moved to amend the same by striking out the third and fourth sections thereof.

The amendment was not carried. On the question to agree to the fourth article Mr. Lyon was excused from voting, he not having been in the house when the question was put.

The fifth article was read and some objection being taken to the same, after a short discussion it was agreed to, Yeas 72, nays 45.

The sixth article was also objected to, but the yeas being 73, nays 42.

The seventh article was agreed to, yeas 73—nays 42.

The eighth article being before the house, a division of the question was called for, and on the first paragraph the yeas were 74, nays 39. It was agreed to.

On the second, being also the last paragraph, the yeas were 78, the nays 32, and it was also agreed to.

A question on agreeing to the whole articles was carried without a division.

Mr. Nicholson moved the appointment of members by ballot for conducting the impeachment on the part of the house; but the house adjourned without coming to a decision.

NEW-YORK, December 3.

Capt. Mackie of the Favorite, from Montego bay, informs, that on the 4th November, off Cape Antonio, he was boarded by a French privateer of one gun and 65 men, which had the day preceding captured the English brig Jupiter, Capt. Rowland, of 10 guns, from the Bay of Honduras for New-York, with mahogany. The privateer put Capt. Rowland and a negro boy on board the Favorite in which vessel they have arrived.

A lady of respectable connections at Brooklyn, (L. I.) on Saturday evening, put a period to her existence by cutting her throat. She has left a husband and 3 children, the youngest of which is only 3 months old.

ACCIDENT—As two young men from Fitzbush were on a rowing party in the Bay on Thursday, in handling a gun from one to the other, it accidentally went off

and wounded one of them dangerously in the shoulder.

RALEIGH, (N. C.) Nov. 29.

At twelve o'clock to-day, his Excellency the Governor attends the General Assembly to make the oaths of office.

The balloting for a Senator of the U. States for his state has also been postponed to this day. The gentlemen in nomination are Major Jesse Franklin, General Montford Stokes, General Thomas Clouse and General Benjamin Smith.

We learn by the members of the General Assembly, from Cabarrus county, that the proprietors of the land containing the Gold Ore, continue to find considerable quantities, though no lump any thing like so large as the one dug last year of 23lb. has been discovered.

A gentleman from Baltimore has lately purchased a tract of land adjoining that on which the Gold is found, at six times the intrinsic value of the soil, in expectation of finding Gold thereon; and as the Gold Creek runs through it, it is expected he will not be widely disappointed. But whether sufficient will be found to render his purchase valuable, is very doubtful.

CHARLESTON, November 23.

We are informed by a gentleman from Camden, that a very destructive insect has been discovered in the Indian corn, which has done considerable damage to the crops gathered this year. It is a very small worm, which appears to be hatched in the cup or cell on the cob which contains each grain. As soon as it is hatched, it attacks the grain eats it quite hollow, and renders it of little value.

Many of the planters in that neighborhood are now threshing out their crops; others intend to expose it to the weather for a few weeks, in hopes that the cold will kill the insects; but this last method is not much relied on.

Died, on Monday the 19th instant, THOMAS MANUEL JULIUS MORPHY, youngest son of Don Diego Morphy, His Catholic Majesty's Consul for the States of South and North Carolina and Georgia, resident in this city, after a long and painful sickness.

LOUISVILLE, (Geo.) November 14.

This day both Branches of the Legislature met in the Representative Chamber, and made the following elections:

Abraham Baldwin, Senator to Congress—unanimous.

Edward Taylor, James B. Maxwell, John Rutherford, David Emanuel, Henry Graybill and David Creswell, electors of President and Vice-President of the United States—all true republicans.

William Brown, Harbor Master, and William Cooke, Health Officer, of the port of Savannah.

Abner Hammond, quarter master general for the State.

To Rent.

A STORE HOUSE, at the corner of Calvert and Water-street, well known as a good stand for the Dry Goods business, and will be rented low to any person that will carry on that kind of business.

Also,

A dwelling House, situated in the most healthy part of this city, convenient to the best water. Apply to

WILLIAM JOLLEY.

FOR SALE.

TWO young Negro Men, for a term of years, at a moderate price if not taken out of the state of Maryland. Apply as above, to

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No. 28, Calvert-street.

Government Security!

NEW-YORK LOTTERY,

No. III, FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF LITERATURE Begins Drawing on the Eighth of April next.

25 000 DOLLARS, 10 000 DOLLARS, 5,000 DOLLARS, HIGHEST PRIZES.

The scheme contains 30,000 tickets, of which 9913 are prizes—less than two and a half blanks to a prize. Deduction 15 per cent.

At the session of the Legislature of the state of New York, on Monday, the 12th of November, 1864, a resolution passed the senate, and was concurred in by the House of the Assembly, that the drawing of the said Lottery be postponed until the Second MONDAY in APRIL next, in consequence of the defection of one of the managers, and that the Legislature will GUARANTEE the PAYMENT of ALL the PRIZES in said Lottery.

TICKETS,

HALVES, QUARTERS AND EIGHTHS,

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G. & R. Waite's

PERMANENT LOTTERY OFFICES, Nos. 64, & 38, MAIDEN LANE, At the following Prices,

Whole Tickets, dis. 7 Quarters, 1 87

Halves, 3 62 Eighths, 1

But, as the tickets and shares have met with such an extraordinary rapid sale, throughout every part of the United States, they will speedily advance in price.

Distant adventurers, by enclosing Bank Notes of any denomination, (but Branch Bank would be preferred), may have tickets forwarded them by post to any part of the Union, by G. & R. WAITE, with the utmost promptness, and the earliest intelligence sent of their success.

CASH advanced for prizes as soon as drawn—or warranted undrawn. Tickets exchanged for Prizes during the drawing. For the satisfaction of adventurers in Baltimore and its vicinity, the Manager's Official List will be forwarded to the printers of this paper, as soon as possible after the drawing, where any gentleman can examine his own number. Letters (paid) duly attended to. N. York, Nov. 23 (31)

For the AMERICAN. TO THE HONORABLE THE GEN'L ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND.

THE elevated situation of the legislators of this country derives them often, as such situations do all sovereign princes, from hearing the plain truth. But it is hoped the legislators of Maryland will not slight the humble petition of an individual who is too poor to employ men learned in the law, and whose prayer is so much opposed to the interest of other learned men.

Your honorable body must have heard that the banks now incorporated have, with other favorable circumstances, so increased the wealth of certain individuals, once deferving of the poor man's confidence, that these banks have become the exclusive property of those individuals. All monopolies, as it is known to you, contribute to impoverish and distress the community at large, and as the evil must increase as long as the cause exists none but you, legislators, can relieve us. Your petitioner has not the least doubt of your paternal affection to all your children, or of your determination to protect the weaker part of the community from the encroachments of the stronger, when unjust or unnatural.—And your honorable body have now a fair opportunity of procuring general relief to the citizens of Baltimore and to the people of the state, without infringing former charters, or of affording any privileged members real cause of complaint; and for this purpose your petitioner humbly asks leave to suggest to your honorable body, the propriety of granting a charter to the Union Bank of Maryland for the whole sum proposed, referring to the state the part allotted it, and compelling the subscribers to complete their subscriptions at an early period, and also of engraving into that charter something like some or all the following principles, as well for the security of the state and stockholders as for the relief of the poor industrious man.

ARTICLE I. That the state superintend the operations of the bank, whether a stockholder or not, by the agency of the treasurer, or some responsible officer, who shall have no discounts, or be interested directly or indirectly in the emoluments thereof.

II. That every stockholder may, in one or all of the discount days in sixty-three days at the discretion of the directors, upon his private signature obtain loans on the usual terms not exceeding the amount of his stock, which so far will be bank property.

III. That any proprietor in town or country may in one or all of the discount days in sixty-three days at the discretion of the directors. Upon the mortgage of his property obtain loans on the usual terms, not exceeding one half the assessed value of such property.

IV. That a majority of the directors shall be selected from amongst the number of stockholders possessing each one hundred shares of stock at least or real property in the state affixed above one thousand pounds—and it it should so happen that a sufficient number cannot be so selected, the deficiency shall be made up by the appointment of the legislature.

V. That no one director, individual house of trade or body corporate obtain a loan at one time exceeding 2000 dollars, or exceeding 18000 dollars in sixty-three days, or have more than the latter sum at any one time without an act of the legislature.

VI. That no director or associate of a director shall be eligible to be elected a succeeding year after he or his associate shall have been in the direction of this bank two years; and that the number of directors be increased to twenty one including the president.

VII. And lastly that, whenever the current price of Union Bank stock shall exceed 150 dollars or 50 per cent, above the sum subscribed, books shall be opened to receive subscriptions for a further sum of fifteen hundred thousand dollars, and so increase the capital whenever the price shall advance in the same proportion.

And your petitioner, as in duty bound will ever pray.

A POOR REPUBLICAN.

Notice.

THE subscriber, by many misfortunes, is compelled to apply, at this session, to the General Assembly of Maryland, for an Act of Insolvency. BENJAMIN ARNOLD, december 4th

Notice is hereby given,

THAT a Book for subscriptions to the WASHINGTON TONTINE, agreeably to the terms advertised by Benjamin Stoddert, esq., of George-Town, is received by the subscribers, and will be opened on Saturday, the 1st day of December next, at the Counting-house of George Grundy & Nephew, and will continue open until 30,000 dollars are subscribed, or until the twelfth day of December next, when it will be returned with what subscribers may be obtained; A plat of the lots is lodged at Bryden's Coffee room.

All subscriptions received here, will remain in our hands, until Mr. Stoddert's engagements are completed with—should the scheme not succeed, the money will be returned to the subscribers on the first of February next. november 23 december 4th