Daily 7, and Guzette 5 dollars per annum.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1804.

NEW-YORK. December 19.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

Yesterday morning about 3 o'clock, the dreadful alarm of fire was founded through the city. From the extreme coldness of the weather, and the wind being very fresh from W. N. W. the citizens did not afsemble as promptly as usual—and before any thing could be done to check the pro-· gress of the flames, we were threatened with a preater calamity than really enfued -though, alas, it is great indeed.

The fire commenced back of a small wooden house occupied by Charles M'Carty, retail grocer, in Front-firect : From what cause we know not, but suspicions are entertained that it has been the work of an incendiary. We are perfueded in this belief from the following circumllance: - During the last autumn, a letter was received through the polloffice, directed to one of he inhabitants of the block in which the fire origin sted. The writer of the letter flated that he was one of eleven persons who had combined to let that part of the city on fire, for the fike of plunder, warning him to be on his guard. He observed that he had repented his determination, and thought it his du y to give notice of the intention of his comrades. The gentleman who received thi letter thewed it to his friends, when a meeting of the citizens of that part of the city was privately called and they determined to kep a nightly watch, which they did for several weeks. This information, and was communicated to the Mayor What thought it most advisable for the outers of property in that matten watch, rather than to offer a realist for the apprehention of the incendiaries; hoping, by this means to detect the villains in the commission of their hellsth designs This circumstance has probably given rife to the notice which app are in this day's Gazette from the lite Inspector. The amount of property destroyed by

this fire is v lucd by fome to a million of dollars by others more, and by others leis. We cannot make an accurate ethimate of the loss, but we have taken pains to alcertain their owners and occupants, leaving it to the reader to make his own calculations.

Some of the vellels lying in the Coffee-House Slip were considerably injured in their foars and fails.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the firemen generaly, for their active exertons in the most hazardous situations. Mr. Howell's floating engine afflited in an estinent degree in farnilhing water for several engines adjacent to the whari where it was flitio ed

Several a cidents happened during the fire. from the falling of walls and pieces of timber. Mr Daniel Riker, a fireman, has his head fevere'y cut and his body bruifed, from the fall of the eastern pedinent of the Old Coffee-House.—lie is now dangerously ill. Mr. Slearman, another Greman was dangeroufly wounded by the falling of a window curb, while in the act of holding an engine pipe A Mr. Smigh, of Baltimore, is said to have been badiy wou ided, by the fall of a wall of one of the buildings.

On the south side of Water-street, commencing at the Old Coffee-House, all · three-story brick houses.

The Old coffee-House, at the corner occupied by Edward Bardin, and belonging to the enate of George Douglas.

The house owned and occupied by James B. Patte fon, fadler.

The house owned by James H. Maxwell, and occupied by Benjamin Bailey, of the

house of Bail y & Bogert, and the store part by John H Hurt is & co. grocers. A house occupied by B. F. Haskin and owned by James H. Maxwell.

The house own dand occupied by Isaac Contez jun- the flore part occupied by Shay and Noah, auctioneers. The house owned by widow Hallet, and

occupied by Henry Wylie, merchant. The house owned by Michael Price, and occupied as the office of the Morning Uhrnricle, and Edward Wilkie, pilot.

The house belonging to the ellate of Hugh Stocker, and occupied by John.

On the north side of Front street A three flory brick houle, corner of Gouverneur's aliey, belonging to the estate of Isac Gouverneur, and occupied by George Shonnaid, as a boarding house -materially injured.

A three-story brick house occupied by

, B. Keerlliedt, broker. A three-story brick house occupied by

John Sullivan (before mentionen) and belonging to the ellate of James Griffith. A frame store, occupied by Charles M'Carty, as a grocery and tavein, where

the fire commenced: . . . A frame flore, occupied by Mrs. Russell,

tobacomitt.

A frame store, occupied by John and Adam Beits coopers, and C. Duyckinck, fail inaker, belonging to the estate of widow Gomez

A frame store, occupied by Alexander Ogilvie, grocer, and Christopher White, fail-maker, owned by James II. Maxwell.

A frame flore occupied by James Bryar, tobaceom.i.

A framed store occupied by T. Spencer, tobacconist.

A trame store occupied by J. M'Gaviston, as a tavern.

In Front street, on the south side, west of the Coffee-House Slip. A wooden store, owned and occupied by Johna, Jones, as a grocery.

Another wooden store occupied by James Forbes, commission merchant, owned by John Jones.

Two new four-story brick stores, owned and occupied by liailsy and Bogert, commission merchants, with a quantity of goeds, which with the books and papers, were lost. The loss of goods, in store is estimated at about 90,000 dollars, principally owned in Providence.

A imall wooden dwelling, occupied as

à tavern, and owned by Joshua Jones. A wooden stere belonging to Joshua Jones, and occupied by Bruce and Morrison, who lost about 2000 dollars worth

Another wooden store, owned by Joshna Jones, and occupied by Daniel Saiavan, A brick store, allo owned by Joihua Jones and occupied by John D. Martin, and John R. Wheaton, merchants.

Two wooden stores, belonging to the estate of Isaac Gouverneur, the first occupied by V. Blake, and the other by John Sullivan, Liocer, who we are forry to fay, is a principal fufferer, having lost ! the greater part of the contents of his store including some of his books and

Wall-street

The corner frame house, belonging to Mr. John Jones, and occupied by Thomas, b. Sulphy. Cavennab, grocer, and Mr. Hicks, mathematical instrument maker.

The house adjoining occupied by John; Fisher, grocer, allo the property of John ;

The house occupied by William Fettit, as a tavern and grocery, owned by John and Anton Doria. Rathbone.

The house occupied by Ebenezen Barry, as a tavern and boarding house, the pros perty belonging to the estate of Robert

The house occupied by the widow Wentworth as a tavern and boarding house, belonging to the estate of commodore Nichollon. .

The above tiouses had a number of i occupants who kept eating and drinking publishing the important Note which was cellers, oyster-stanus, &c.]

In Wall street on the west side.

Dobbs watch maker vendue master.

Chammings, merchants, and owned by are, William Post

Smith, auclioneers, whose lots is consider- | neutrality, as well for the present as the

A small frame dweiling, occupied by John Place, as a tavern.

A large wood n store, occupied by 3. At indemnification for the King of Stedditoid and Minifetialk, auctioneers | Sardinia owned by John Jones.

Front-street, extending to the river, all to respect its neutrality for the future. owned by John Joses, and occupied by | Such were the points in discussion beand others. (Gazette.)

than has happened in this city for many | rival shall hold firm to their purpose. years, occurred early this morning, by The Provincial Counsellor Von Meand extending along water fireet to with. I in a door of Gouverneur's lane, croffing | with the exception of two or three houfes on the lane. It also communicated ! ber of buildings From the force of the wind and the flowness, with which the I Spain. citizens collected to check the progress of the flames, they communicated with great rapidity through those buildings which were chiefly of wood. Many nores containing a valuable property of brandy and other liquors, as also East and West India goods to a very large amount were with their contents entirely confumed -The loss of property and houses is estimated at upwards of two millions of dodars. Nieffre. Bailey and Bogert's lire proof tio e, containing an extremely valuable co lection of East India goods was destroyed, and not even their books laved : and also was that of John A Whraton. The fire having cr-ised the Sip proceeded up Mall ffreet and Hopped at Messrs Alex. Stuart & Co's fire proof store

The fire communicated to the shipping but with very little damage. The rigging of a Spanith brig sussered most inju-The Oliver Eliworth and John Morgan narrowly escaped.

[Morning Chronicle.]

The Ship. Alonzo, captain Gibbs, arrived at this port last evening from London, and furuithes the Editor of the Mercant le-Advertiser with London papers to the 22d of Ottober, inclutive, and Lloyd's Liffs of the 19th. The papers are four days later than any advices previously received, but are almost wholiy uninteresting. We have selected the principal articles. The captain of the Alonzo informs us that no Declaration of War had been issued against Spain at the time of his failing.

London, October 20.

Notwithstanding what has been said, an embargo may be confidered as having actually taken place in Holland. The Alexandrina, and upwards of 20 other vellels which had cleared out for Embden and other ports, are detained in the Texel, on suspicion of being really destined for this country. It was generally supposed that the Emperor would not declare an absolute embargo (the prelude, we conceive, to confiscation) until he had got the ports of Holland filled with velfels; and, therefore, the orders for the present are only to detain such as are sulpected until further notice. All vessels arrivin; in the ports of the Batavian republic are examined by what are called Admiralty thips; and those on board of which English produce is found are detained, and not fuffered to land their freight until the Government thall have come to a final determination on the subjest. These extraordinary measures were firth adopted on the 9th inft. Neutral vessels are allowed to enter the Dutch ports unmolefled.

Dispatches, it is said, were sent off from the Admiralty on Thursday evening, to the commanders of our squadrons, with fresh orders in respect to any Spanish ships they may fall in with. They are suppofed to be of the same firm nature and decided tenor with the recent proceedings.

October 22. The solemnities relative to the iseredie American besoreign, v. stel. tary Imper al title of Austria are put off

On the east side of Coffee-House Slips in thating that the Adriatic Swarms with French privateers, and that no English merchantmen venture; to navigate that

> Caralla Joseph Doria, Dugnani, Fatt. Casells and Oppizoni, will accompany the Pope to Paris The regency during nis abience, which will probably be for two months, will be adminiftered by Cardinals, Antoneili, Bialchi,

Two out of the four Mails which be-'came due yellerday, from Hamburgh, have been received.

The intelligence which they bring, though partially anticipated by the fall Dutch papers, is thill intereiting inalmuch as it furnishes us with more detailed accounts of what has patied on the Conti-

We are happy in the opportunity of delivered by M. D Oubrill, the Ruffian Chare d'Affaires at Paris, on the 21st of A small brick thop, occupied by Mr. last July in which the disprise between the two Powers is much naplified. The A brick house occupied by Mr. Daniels, | contested points are reduced to four, and ! they are so specifically trate I as to call for A frame house occupied by Post and specific and categorical answers. They

The evacuation of the kingdom of A frame house occupied by Byrne and Naples, and an engagement to respect its

2. The ettablishment of a basis for a final adjustment of the affairs of Italy.

4. And laftly, the evacuation of the Five three story wooden stores below North of Germany, and an engagement

John A. Robertion, George Gibbs, James Itween Ruilia and France, not one of L. Seabury, Nathaniel Aorton, nerchants, ! which, if we except the third, does not cont in in itself the seeds and causes of long and inveterate hothlity; that is, A FIRE more extensive and injurious | while the Emperor Alexander and his

which the slock on the fouth lide of coffie ding, arrived at Hamburgh, on the 7th house flip, including the old coffee house, initiant, from Hanover. The object of his journey is to demand another loan. on account of the hate of Hanner, of a Front street to the water was consumed. | million of French livres. A similar demand will afterwards be made at Lubec.

If a war should ensue between England across cost e house slip by means of slying ! and Spain it will be an additional calamibrands, and destroyed a confiderable num- ty for the city of Hamburgh which carries on an extentive commerce with

> In the change of the form of the Batavian government. M Schimmelpenninck will be nominated President for life, and be invested with a power adequate to that high office; a College of Government, confitting of 5 members, will be fucordinate to him.

Thee hundred French and Batavian armed vessels, that were assembled at Offered have already got to Dunkirk under Vice Admiral Verhueil. The whole force will be colle ted at Boulogne, where the Emperor Napoleon is thortly expected, and great events are looked for from that

Our Government has received propofals from Holland for an Exchange of prisoners.

The thips of war fitting out at Cadiz are one of 112, one of 80, one of 74 guns, which go to Ferrol as soon as they can be got ready.

The Indefetigable and the Amphion have arrived at Plymouth, with the remaining two of the Spanish frigates recently captured viz (the Clara and the Medea, of 41 guns cach.

Orders have been sent to Portsmouth and Plymouth to convey to the Bank the treasure found on board the Spanish ships there. Several Spanish vessels, outwardbound, have been also detained, in our ports. Notwithstanding these creumstances, we retain our opinion that the Jub!isting negociation between the two countries will not necessarily terminate in a war; and we confidently affert that it will be at least three weeks before any

thing will be decisively determined upon relative to this important subjed.

On the night of the 7th ult. there was a tremendous florm at Archangel, which it is apprehended did much damage to the

Bank Stock 1571, 3 per cent confols

574. Confois 571. The paper called "The Merchant," in the English language at Rotterdam, is suppressed by order of the French Govern-

On Saturday, last, one off the North River floops, on her way from Red Hook, : struck against a body of young ice, off the Highlands, which cut her bottom, when the immediately went down, and it is faid, every foul on board (14 in number) perillied. PROCLAMATION.

Whereas by a proclamation of his majesty's superintendant, bearing date the 14th July, 1804, Mahogany measuring not more than 20 inches in its broadest dimensions was permitted to be shipped on board American or foreign vessels; and whereas such permission has been highly ; disapproved by his Excellency the commander in Chief of Jamaica, and its dependencies: -This is therefore to order and direct, that Mahogan measuring more than 17 inches in its broadest' dimensions, will not be permitted to be exported from this settlement_in any

"Given under my hand and seal, at Belize, this 11th day of October, in the

to the 8th of December 1. Lord 1804. (Signed) THOM IS BARROW.

(Signed) R. Edwards, Sicretary,

NORFOLK, December 14. Captain Potts, of he B'itilh thip Medway, Lest Madeira the 30th October, by hun we learn that accounts had reached Madeira of the milu-derstanding between Great Britain and Span, which it was believed would terminate in open holtilities. Advices, had been received from Spain which state, that the French had ta ken possession of the Spanith thips of war in Ferrol, Colunna, &c. and the French officers and mariners had arrived toom Richfort and other ports of France to man the opanish ships. Applehentims were entertained n Maderra un coulequence of advices from Lisbon) of a vitit from the Flench; those advices, moreover, nated, that the court of Lisbon was alarmed by the discovery of a plan, which the French · government had for red for taking poflession of the Island of Madeira and the

Extract of a letter from a Mercantile nouse in Madeira to its correspondent in this place, date 1 October 29, received by the ship Medway, capt. potts.

Asrazila.

" By a vessel arrived here two days ago from Libon, we have received the official intelligence of a declaration of war between England and Spain. This you may rely on "

For Sale, Seventy thousand at. COFFEE Four hundred nerces cle_n RICE. BIGELOW & PROUD. Bowly's wharf.

Key Found.

december II

A large well finished Key, sur posed to belong to a warehouse, was found some time since in Gay-street, near Mr. Pontier's. The owner may have it again by paying the charge of this advertisement, on application to the printers. december 21

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 33,000 tickets, of which 9913 are prizes-less than two and a half blanks to a prize. Daduation 15 per cent. At the session of the Legislature of the state

of New York, on Monday, the 12th of November, 1804, 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 defalcation of one of the managers, and that the Legislature will GUARANTEE the PAYMENT of ALL the PRIZES in said Lottery.

: TICK ETS. MALVES, QUARTERS AND RIGHTMS, are to be bad at G. & R. Waite's PERMANENI LOTTERY OFFICES, Nos 64, & 38, MAIDEN LANE,

At the following Prices. Whole Tickets, dis. 7 Quarters, 3 62 | Eighths, Halves, 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 inclosing Bank Notes of any description, (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 punduality, 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 (post paid) duly attended to. M. York, nov. 23.(50)

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BALTIMORE, SATURDAY, DECEMber 2. 1804.

The Governor of North-Carolina, after sellcitating that state upon the public happiness; says, " Favored as we are with the most excellent government on earth, is becomes us to be grateful to the Supreme Being for this incatimable blessing." And he says, " We may reasonably calculate for the next four years, for the same wisdom, moderation and economy as have distinguished the present administration.

The New-York Commercial Advertiser cuimates the value of houses and stores consumed at their contents, at QUE HUNDRED AND SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS.

Extract-of a letter to the Editors, dated ANNAPOLIS Dec. 12.

This day the Farmers Bank passed the sa. nate with a tem amendments. "The bill to abblish the general court is to

have a second reading on Friday next. us This day the following motion created a good deal of busile in the house of delegateall the absent members were immediately sent for : On faction, the question was put, that leave B. command of his Majesty's Superinten- | be given to oring in a bill to withdraw certain unds from the cities of Baltimore, Annapolis, and the town of Easton, and from St. John's and Wasnington College, and place the ame in the treasury, subject to the appropriation of the legislature. The year and nays being required, appeared as follow:

"YFAS-Mosses. Alexander, Ayres, Perown, Bayard, Berry, Slake, Bond, Bowles, C wington, Clarke, Cockey, Clagatt, Trarne, Forwood, Harranan, dandy, Halbrook, Lemmon, Lales, Lowry, Linihecum, B. Machall, Miller Montgomere, Predeaux Rich Ringgold, Stansbury, Sheudin., Sturgess, Swearingen, Selby, 3 Tomlin. son, Thompson, Phomas, Veazer, Williams and Waters—Jo.

"NAY ... Messrs. I'. Bayly, J Bayly, Bruce, Chapman, Cottman, Cintee, Dortey, Ellicott, S. Frazier, Golds mraugh, Hebb, Haicheson, Hall, Harwood, Hjiand, Hawkins, Jackson, Lloyd, Mercer, Moore, Melay, Mar, M.Pherson, & Nexis, W. Meale, Para iom, Potter. Scott, St.uart, chault, Stephen, Spencer, J. Tomlinson-33.

. It The house a journed till toimorro v morn-[Fed. G.z.

PRESIDENT JEFFERS IN .- This great and illustrious charaster is unquestionably re-elefted President of the United States, for the four years succeeding the 4th of March next, by almost the unanimous v ice of the American people. Four years ago, and he was elected by a bare majority; but such hath been his wise administration—such the skill with which he has guided the national bark, and such the increasing wealth, stability and dignity of the republic, curing his administration, that the utmost reliaice and confinence is placed in his wisdom as a statesman, his integrity as a citizen, and his devotedness to his country as a patriot and a lover of freedom. We ask with emphasis, where is the man more deserving the affections of the people, more ardent in their happiness and welfare, than the Chief who now commands? In vain we cast our eyes around to discern the man. We indeed behold patriots and citizens. justly estimated for their taleats, their integrity, and their advancement of the public weal; but none more so, than the present chief magis-

The happy turn of political affairs is little short of a phenomenon to the astonished world. From our remotest boundaries in the north, to their utmost latitude in the south, the cause of republicanism prevails; and becoming reverence is paid to the councils of our country. Even old Massachusetts, long the pricle and the boast of the federalists, hath joined the republican standard, and throws her constitutional weight in the scale of JEFFERSON and CLINTON.

In vain the lover of freedom takes a retrospect of events that have past, and brings them into competition with those of the present, without a secret exultation at the propitious co.ange -without an honorable manisestation of triumph and gratitude. If we look a few years back, we behold one of our most decided opponents at the helm of state; the cringing sycophant basked himself in the sunshine of governmental patronage and favor-and the willing slave bored submissively to the imperious mandates of the master. The independent citizen, whose conscience forbade him to pay homage to the powers that then existed; whose sense of right and wrong warned him not to aid a cause inimical to liberty, and direful to the public welfare, were the qualified victims of governmental malignity, and popular sacrifice. Their language was similar rothat of BARBAROSSA:

.... Who merits,

Shall meet protection; and who merits not Shall meet my wrath in thunder.

But on a sudden the scene changed, even at a moment when the fetters of aristocracy were