American.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 1805.

Account of Flour, Butter, and Lard, infpe ed within the City of Baltimore, for the last quarter, ending the 31st day of December, 1804.

75,157 barrels of wheat Flour,

2,632 half barrels do.

524 barrels of Rye Flour,

20 half barrels, do.

162 barrels of Indian Meal,

50 has of do

2,495 kegs, and firkins of Butter, 396 do do Lard.

EDWARD J. COALE, Register of the ity of Baltimore

speaking on the subject of the bill to withdraw certain funds from the cities of Baltimers Annapolis and the town of Exton, &c &c now before the legislature of this state, the editor of National Intelligencer, remarks :-

"We are assured, f m respectable autions y that this measure does n tyrec, ed from mor ves in the least unfriendly to the interests of learning; but that on the contrary, it origin it is in views of the most liberal kind. It seems that some of the representatives of counties, whose schools have been l'berally endowed, are averse to extending the me mentire of liberally their constituents had received, to the othe counties. - The contemplated bill is represente, as a measure of policy, having for its object the inducing the representatives of hose c un ties to withdraw their pposition to a gene a and equal plan for the ender ment of schrols Should this end not be obtained, and the bill pass, we are as ured that no only the divested · funds will be restored, but much more co prehensive funds devoted, on a g-neral scale, to the promotion of schools Much as we respect the motives in which this measure originated, we cannot too deepl, reg.et it. We fear it will be unproductive of its con emplater bjest while it may hereaster se urged as a precedent for violating rights which ought to be seemed sacred "

There are letters in a ston from the River of Plate, dated the 12th of August, which mer sion that bo he 6th ef that mouth, the camen of all the vessels in the river, excepti g two, were pressed, to reinforce the crewe of three Spanish Bigates then lying at Montevido, laden with specie, and bound immediately for Ca iz his circumstance is given as corroborative of the English account of the capture of Spanish trea sure ships. It is probable, the English f igates were stationed . If the s uthern Az res to inte. cept these vessels; which they articit and would make St. Mary's their first land fall from the coast, when bound to Old Spain

A gestiemen who resided some years on the Rio-de la-Plats, mentions, that du ing the late war with Sozin, there were up. ris f thir millions of d. Hars coll-&'dat Bueno: Ay es, ar destined for the mother country, brought from the interior on mules.

.It is probable, from the number of men the Spanish captured frig te took on board in the ri ver, they had hea dof an expected rupture between Great Britain and Spain before their departure.

Those acquainted with the Spanish navy sav, the Fame, captured by the English, is one of the finest frigates in the world.

The John, Spaulde g, from hence for New-York, says a Liverpool paper of the 31st Och. got ashere on B rdeaux has received considerable damage and is returned into port, and gone into the King's dock to discharge her cargo. The Laura, Newman, had arrived from this port; and the Fair American, Clas by, sailed for it on the 27.h. Stip Ontario, Weeks, was 'o sail on the-15th of Novemb r, for New York, the Abeon, on the 15 h for do. The Louis and on the 15th for do. the Two Sisters for Boston on the 2d; ship Hannah, for Charleston on the 6th; ship Both for do on the 8th. Ship Commerce of Philadelphia arrived on the 2d of November; the ship Adria a, from New Yark on the 2d; the sh p Govertor Strong, was to sail on the 6th.

Unscriunate Accident - One day in last week, the house of the widew Ross, of Ackworth, (N H) caught fi ., ard was consumed with all its contents. What adds to the distress was the melancholy circomstance of her daighter, agrd 15 years, being burnt to death. It was occesigned by the catching of a quantity of Asx, brought into the house for the purpase of drying.

One of the schooners mentioned to be sahore below the narrows, is the Frank-

lin, Ridgeway, in 17 days from Bairi more, with a cargo of sugar and floir, to Metick and Burger, owners; D. G. H obard, & others. When capt R dg way left her, she was still tight, and a pro pect of the vessel and cargo being saved. The Franklin was in the narrows on Thursday when the equall struck her, which obliged them to take in all sail for the purpose of reefing ; but, from the hands having been worn out on the coast, they were not able to make sail in time to keep her from drifting on Denyse's reef. [N Y. paper]

In a Charleston paper of the 18th we find the following additional particulars of the fire at St. I homas .-

It commenced on the night of the 22d November in a dry good store contiguous to the king's stores and continued for three days. In this time, 600 buildings, constituting all the rich and buly part of the town, were reduced to alhes! The lois is estimated at between 5 & 7 millions of dollars! But sew lives were lost. A Mr Color, of immente property, threw himsel into the flames, and perished—a faithful and asse tionate servant mm diately followed the dreadful example of his

This dreadful fire was occasioned by a domestic carelessly setting fire to a musquetoe-net, while in the act of furnigating is he eby requested to transmit copies of the the room.

A Dublin paper says, hat RTHUR O'Con-Non has been constituted E per of Ire and, as the lineal descendant of Roserick O'Con

Died at Norwich, (Con) Mr Samuel Brown aged 90 years. He was the first owner of a chaise in the town of Norwich and was profecuted in those early days of refinement, for a breach of sabbatn, and fined for riding in his carriage on a Sunday to attend public worlhip.

THE COMPASS.

An original invention of the Chinese. The present system of + hinese navigation is to keep snear the shore as possi ble; never to lose sight of land, unless in voy, ges that absolutely require it; such Knowing the hearing or direction of the port intended to be made, let the wind be fair or foul, they indeavor, as near as possible, to keep the head of the ship always pointing towards the port by means of the compass. This instrument, as used in China, has every ap. pearance of originality. The natives know nothing, from history or tradition. of its first introduction or discovery -and the use of the mignet. for indicating the poles of the earth, can be triced, from their records, to period of time when the gre test part of Europe was in a state of barn rism. It has been conjectured, indeed, that the use of the magnetic needle in Europe w.s first brought from China by the famous traveller Mirie Polo, the Vene ti n. Its appearance immediately ifter his death, or according to some, while he was yet living, but, at all events in his own country, render such a conjecture extremely probable. The embassies in which he was employed by Cu bl i Khan, and the long voyages he per formed by sea, could scarcely have been pra ticable without the compass. Be this as it may, the Chinese were, without doubt, well equainted with this in strument long before the thirteenth cen turv. It is recorded in their best auhenticated annels merely as a fact, and not as any extraordinary circumstance. that the emperor Chung ko presented an ambaesador of Cechin-China, who had lost his way in coming by sea, with a ting nan tchin with a needle pointing ou the south the name which it still retains Even this idea of the seat of mag netic influence, together with the construction of he compass box, the division of the card into eight principal points, and each of these again subdivided into three, the manner of suspending the needle, and its diminutive size, seldom exceeding in length three quarters of an inch, are all of them strong presumptions of its being an original. and not a horrowed invention. By some indeed. it has been conjectured that the, Scythians, in the northern region of Asia, were acquainted with the polarity of the magnet, in ages antecedent to all history, and that the virtue of this fossil was intended to be meant by the flying arrow, presented to Abaris by Apollo, about the time of the Trojan war, with the help of which he could transport himself wherever he pleased. The abundance of iron ores, and perhaps of native iron, in every part of Tartary and the very early period of time in which the natives were acquaint ed with the process of smelting those ores, render the idea not improbable, of the northern nations of Europe and

Asia (or the Scythians) being first ac-

quainted with the polarity of the mag

The Liverpool Chronicle of the 31st 1 of October, quoisset & price of American Hour, thus: lets. 40 . a 4242 30's 383 .. 39 . per bariei of 196 lbs. neat.

Error corrected-We a few day: since stated that Mess. Stackton & MilVnorter of New Jersey had fingered a retaining fee from Mr. Burr as counsel for him on the indictmen: for the murder of General Hamilton. Instead of Afr. Stockton, it ought to have been Mr. Og. den. M'Whorter and Ogden are his

Edwors of Gazettes who inserted the former paragraph are respectfully desired to re-publish this.

[American Citizen]

In Senate of North Carolina, D cember 13th, 1804, the foll-wing resolutions were reported and adopted :

Resolved, That our senators in the Congress of the United State, be in rusted, and our repr sentatives requested to take all legal and necessary steps, and to use their utmost exertions, as soon as the same is practicable, to obtain an amendment to the constitution of the United States so as to authorise and empower the congress of th Unite States, to pass a law whenever they may think it expedient to prevent the further importation of slaves or pe pie fcolour from any f he We t India Island, from the coast of Africa, or elsewhere, into the United State, or any part thereof.

Resouved fur her, that the governor be, and he foreg ing resolution to our sensiors and repre sentatives in congres, also the executives of all the ifferent states in the union, with a request that the same may be laid after the respective Ligi in uses for their concu rence and adoption.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Vo fork to his friend in l'etersburg (Virginia) daved

" Norfolk, December 19, 1804. "A necestric, regated the most singular natule that ever occurred, took pare las ev nong at a bei where I was with a now be of young len lemen-M. Cavan particular arquain ance of mi, he were act of dincing a reel, felt dead! Not ne minute before, he was in a bigh spirits as I ever saw him. It may be a cribed to a diden fi and a the fall, I westm. (wich was very seve :) then some is bream, or fractured by skull He went off without a as to J pan, Batayia and Cochin China. Struggle. II. was a you g man of an amiable depos ion, and his death is unive saily regret ed among us."

SHIP

Port of Bultimore.

From Bryden's Marine List.

D: c 11.b r 31.

Arrived, schooner Harmony, Holmes, 8 days from N. Yark-sundries-I. Man-

The brig Eleano, Alder, 22 days from Baltimore fr Lebon, was speke OR. 28., lat. 37, 33, long 41.

From Lloyd's List.

Offiche 26 Att.e Texel, Aurora, London Packet, and Eliza all from Baltimore. At Helvie, Gereral Marshall, from Virginia. A. Viril, Hero, Cole, from Alexandria; Mercury, Carey, and Follansby, Beaty from Baltimore.

OStober 30 A Gaves End, Rolla. Cattle, from Virginia. At Darmouth, Mary, Stafford from Baltimore, leaky bound to Tonningen."

N vember 2. S fomness, Aimwell, M'Neitledge, from Virginia. At Clyde, Three Brothers, Ne.1. Baltimore.

Charleston December 16.

Arrived, ship Devonshire, Cameron, 13 days from Nassau salt and 40 000 Dallars; Enterpriz-, Graham, 14 days from Nassau, wine and 40 000 Dollars; brig Eliza, Ogilvie, New York ; brig Mercury Ruff, Havanra; sch'r President, Burgess, Philadelphia.

Cleared, ship Commerce, Carr, St. dero and Corrunna

Ship Bolus, 90 days from Copenhager was spoken off the Bar yes erday. The brig Commerce, for this port sailed from Havanna two days before the Mercury; brig Tryphenia, Myers, for Philadelphia, in & days Nov. 27, 1.8 the Moro, capi. Ruff spoke the sloop Pally. Monro, from this port for News Orleans, going into Havanna, with the los, of both cables and anchors. Nov .29, lat. 24 25, lung. 81 30, spoke asch from Havenna for Boston, 4 days out.

The sch'r Cliarles, for this port, sailed from Philadelphia the day before the President; sch'r Two Pichdi, Basset, sailed in company with the President.

Sale by Auction.

THIS DAY. The Marmary, at 12 c'eleck, at our auction. | ket irect biidge. unm in the bead of Frederick street dock, will

The cargo of the schooner Penguin, from To be So d by Auction, Aus Cayes vis:

30,000 wt Coffer, part of which is best green 5 000 wt. Campeachy Wall on a recit of 60 and 93 days

40 hlids, and 15 barrels, Guadal-tipe Sugar.

The "chon er PENGUIN, With all her tackel and apparel, as the arrived from sea on 90 & 120 days credit. VAN WYCK & DOSSAY aud'rs.

Sale by Auction.

Janaary !

On THURSDAY. The 3! inst at 2 o'clock, at the Ven'me Ware. house, at the corner of S could and Frederickarreets, will be sold for casb.

A J.OT F GR., UND, No 13, in the City of Washington, in squere No 1053 b unding on the East side of Capuol street, as per plat of said citv.

And on Friday the 4th inst. at balf past 11 o'clock. will be said on the premie s. The Brick Dwelling HOUS s, on Public alley, near to Ellicot's charf, as advertised and par to cularly described by the wner at William Til. yard, in the American-The time of payment

will be made known at the sal THOS CHASE, aud'r. January 2

sale by Auction.

TO-MORROW,

The 3d instant, at 0 o'c ock, at the vendue warehouse corner of Second and Frederick. streets will commence the sale of Seve al V luable Invoices of DRY GOOD

among which are 1 box elegant spangles

I trunk containing velvet spencers, crimson Velv teurricles, trimmed with lace Sca let handkerchiefs

Cambrick handkis velvet and silk peleices Cambrick shawls, lawn handkerchiels Silk glaces, &c.

2 t.u. ks furniture cotton 100 pieces calicoes, a part damaged

ca e fine shirting muslin 3 bales gurrahs

3 d. blankers

50 pieces superfine, second and forest cloths Ceatings, swansdown, flannels, &c.

A variety of goods belonging to a person who has decline! husiness, and must be sold without reserve, for dash

And at 12 o clock. 20 hhds Jamaica sugar on 60 days 18 puncheon: W India rum for approved 15 pines Tenerisse wine paper. -20 bales cotton

6 pipes old Madeira wine 13 do. particular Tenenisse do. 22 pipes brandy

8 casks cherry bounce 30 b xes g blue

20 do. mould candles

16 casks nails 20 tierces rice, of goo! quality

THIS. CHASE BUR'F. January 2

without

rescive.

Sale by Auction.

On SATURDAY, The 5th inst. at 10 o'c cck, at the vendue warehouse at the corner of Se und and Frederice streets,

wil commence the saie of . "N elegant collection of Silver Plate Place! Ware No. which will positively be sold witho t reserve t price, consisting of the following articles, VIZ:

5 five elegant bread baskets 9 four do. cake do 3 four do fruit

14 a 18 rive pair bettle stands 19 2 23 five candl, sticks with branches 24 2 34 eleven pair table candlesticks

35 2 36 two pair do patent screw 37 a 38 'wo pair do, patent slides 39 a 40 two paire amber candlesticks 41 a 47 silve gravey spoons butter ladles

and tea spoons one plated egg stand with rich cut

49 2 53 ten pair elegant salts with rich cut glass

54 a 58 six sets cartors, with 6; 7 and 8 cruets some with silver pots 59 2 64 c ffee pots, with plated silver gad. rooms and tea pots to match

65 a 66 (wo cream pots 67 2 72 six soup ladles, with silver edges 73 2 78 six Britannia metal cassors, with

79 a 87 nine 110. tea pots 88 a 89 two do. coffre pets 90 a 95 six pair chamber, andlesticks and

96 a 97 two pair salts, with blue glass 98 a 101 four pair double bettle casters,

morocco, with plated rims two pair Britannia metal do 103 a 105 eleven tankards aud canna

106 a 114 nine cards of plated forks spoons, knives, cheese sceups, &c. 116 a 125 twelve pr.plated table candlesticks 127 a 132 six pair brackets

133 2 154 twenty two pair do. with patent 155 2 15? three excellent time pie es A number of glass lamps, marble ornaments,

tea caddies, tea boards, and 36 silver watches, ac. kc.

THOS CHASE, and re

To the Voters of the city and county of Batimore.

HAVING been encouraged by many of my friends in the city and county, to offer myself as a candidate to be put in nomination for the office of SHERIFF, at the ensuing election, I hope it will not be deemed improper thus early to signify my intention; and to solicit the patronage of my friends generally, and the voters of the city. and county at large.

Those who have not a personal knowlege of me, will, on enquiry, find that I have been bred to business, and have been conversant in mercantile transactions from early life—Should my fellow-citizens think proper, at the expiration of the time of the present sheriff, to bestow on me the office; I trust my conduct therein will be such as will give satisfaction, if a dil grat attention and a faithfut discharge of the duties thereof, are capable of doing the same.

Corner of Baltimore and Frederick streets. Tandary

A FEW HOGSHEADS OF 1 Best quality (1911, 188ES, Fresle it the DISTILLE T less Male

On the lot adjaming the Soul Presbyterias

Churh, rERIDAY NEXT, at 10 .. click, in he fore no .. A quantity of well seasoned PLANK and SCANTI G Jan ve 2

For New York,

The elegant, n w fast sailing Schooner HARMONY.

ISAIAH MARKIN.

69 Smith's wharf.

.... William Helmes, master. Has fine accommo arions for passengers part of her corgo engaged, the will sail with all possible dispatch : those who wish to ship should make early apolication. For term, appl. to the marier on brard, at Mr. arch Stewart's wharf, foot of B and street or to

January 2

For Bristol. The fa t-sailing Ship JAYA, Wrothben Baker, master, Buthen 200 tens, will sail on

CHARIES WIRGMAN, No 215 Market street, Who bee for sale,

the 1 th of January. For passage, only, having

200% grace of Porter Hottles 20 casks of Sad Irons

excellent accommo lations, apply 'o

40 barrels . f Spanish Brown 6 craves Phials 2 do Dram Botties

300 b xe. Negro P.pas 5 cases Hats

A sew casks of London Porter } excellent.

Do Taunton Ate } 10 baskets of very best Double Gloucester

6 dez Iron Ten Ketiles, ascorted A quantite of I on Bolts, do. sizes 21 be xes Timulates 2 Cambooses

An accorment of English Watches and fashinshle London Jeweiry, and an invoice of Plated Wire. la 1.2rv 2

Now Landing, At Berely's rebart from chooner Union, captain. Buckins from Guadali upe, 40 libds 7

15 bils Muscovado SUGAR 18 hods Molasics 3 hhas best green Coffee.

Apply to

BIGELOW & PROUD. January I

Notice.

THE Directors of the Union Bank of Maryland, A ill price of to the appointment of a runner to said Bank, on Thursday morning next-Applications in writing, for said appointment, will be received until Wednesday evening, 3

R HIGINGOTHOM, ash'r. o'cleck. January 1

To Let,

THE House and Store, at present occupied. by the subscribers. Passession nay be had une mediately. For terms spilly to Anine Boyd; RIBT. MOORE & SON. esqr. or

No 174, Market steect.

Just received and for sale, A parcel of very fine Eastern Shore PORK. B.RROL& RIC-UD.

January 1 York River Oysters. OF superior quality, just ecceved and to be

CHARLES I MEYER's, had at No. 28, Mirzet-street, January 1

Petersburg Tobacco.

33 hhds. heavy, fat Petersburg TOBACCO, lying in the inspecting Houses of that place. which will be sold at a low price and accommodating credit, if immediate application is made

--- ISALAH MANKIN, 69, Smith's wharf. Who has in Stree, Allum, in hhis. Copperas, do. Common Brandy

Raisins Coffish, in boxes Neutown Puppins, in barrels Potaroes. Queensware, in crates Beet, Pork, &c.

January I

Underwriters, Merchants, &c.

THE subscriber, proprietor of the Royal Gant zette and Babama Advertiser, published at tiassau, has been-and purposes to continue transmitting, by every opp stunity, early and correct information to the subscribers in Furope and America of the Arrivals, Clearances, Captures and Missortunes that may happen to ves els about these and the different West India Islands

As the procuring and forwarding such infermation, will occupy much time, and be smended with consider ble expence..... te insure this attention, it will be necessary that men invere sted in mercantile and other information, should subscribe with liberality to his Grzetter It is peblished twice a-week, price Seven Dillars per annum. Six months advance.

• - SUBSCRIPTIONS Will be received in Haltimore by Mr, G. Done glas, and the proprietors of the American.

For Sale or Lease, A LOT of CROUND, 66 feet front by 286 deep, with all the improvements thereon, situaed on the Georgetown road, about one thirs of mile from this city. The improvements ctre a frame dwelling, with a kitchen and smoke hause, together with a milk house, which is support plied with good water from a pump; and an extensive frame building, 120 Free by 30, water could be teadily, with small expence, applied to a brewery, distillery Ac -Alsque good prodece tive guiden neatly railed in.

A quantity of ptensils for a wax manufadory consisting of copper boilers, la ge table, this Caurin, on the premiser, or to Mr. Gilliers Blee WILLIAM, MEHHYMAN, ger, watch-maker, corner of Calvert and Balue

more-streets. Vient 30