

tioning the national legislature? But his contracts are referred to for the purpose of proving that he has extended his official influence within our walls. Unfortunately indeed is the application of this argument. By the report upon the table it appears that three members are contractors, and we all feel that two of them are opposed to the present claims.

Believing, Mr. Speaker, that this act of enormous robbery, this wanton dissipation of the public treasure, this abominable league between corruption and federalism, of which we hear so much, is neither more nor less than an act of just national policy; believing with the secretary of state, the secretary of the treasury, and the late attorney general, that "the interest of the United States, the tranquility of those who may hereafter inhabit that territory, and various equitable considerations, which may be urged in favor of most of the present claimants, render it expedient to enter into a compromise on reasonable terms;" and believing that this compromise ought to be delayed no longer, I shall give a decided vote in opposition to the proposed amendment, and in favor of the original resolution as reported by the committee of claims.

American.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1855.

IMPORTANT TO AMERICAN COMMERCE.

Copy of a letter from sir John Orde, admiral of the British squadron at Cadiz, to his excellency the marquis de la Solana, governor of the province of Andalus.

"On board his majesty's ship the *Glory*, in sight of Cadiz, January 2, 1855."

"YOUR EXCELLENCY.

"Having received official information that war has been declared by Spain against the king, my master, I find myself under the painful necessity of placing the port of Cadiz in a state of blockade.

"I consider it right to inform your excellency of this intention, in order that your excellency, as well as the foreign consuls, residing at Cadiz, may be acquainted that every neutral vessel, which may attempt to enter or depart from Cadiz, shall be subject in future to its full effects.

"The boats employed in the fisheries, shall continue to pass unmolested, so long as their sole occupation shall be that of fishing (notwithstanding I have reason to believe that this is not always the case) and so long as the batteries in the neighborhood of Cadiz and Cueta shall abstain from firing on any English ships of war, that from any accident, may fall within the reach of the said batteries.

"I have the honor to be, with the greatest consideration and personal regard your excellency's most obedient & humble servant.

"JOHN ORDE."

REPLY.

"Your Excellency,
Our duty being that of obedience alone to our respective governments, I shall leave to the neutral nations the care of reclaiming against the injury they may sustain, by the declaration of the blockade of Cadiz.

"A mere declaration, on the part of the English government, does not suffice to annul the rights of nations. Force alone can give it any effect.

"The Spanish fishermen occupy themselves in their fishery—but no law or force will suffice to make them unfaithful to their king—Your excellency would not exact from them so horrible a service.

"Nor can I believe, that of your own accord, you propose to me a culpable invasion, when the ships of your squadron shall approach within shot of the fort.

"There is no agreement or condition which can relieve me from my duty, nor is there a power on the earth, authorized to propose to me my dishonor.—Your excellency may, if he pleases, deprive an innocent people of their support, but he cannot deprive those who ought to be the guardians of their honor. The arms of his Catholic Majesty, my master, have not been the aggressors, but they shall never pass through the ignominy of a shameful toleration.

"God keep you many years, &c.
CADIZ, Jan. 3, 1855."

Captain Mitchell, of the schooner *Paragon*, arrived at New London, from Bayonne informs that on the 20th of December, Mr. Monroe, the American minister, passed through that place on his way to Madrid.

EARTHQUAKE—On the morning of the 6th ult. at 23 minutes past 9 o'clock, an earthquake was felt in Augusta, (Maine) which continued about two seconds. Fahrenheit's Thermometer at 26 degrees—wind at N. E. and snowing.

It is stated, on private information from Spain, that the Prince of Peace having killed one of the gentlemen belonging to his household, the prince of Asturias had ordered him to be arrested, and that he had fled.

[Philadelphia paper.]

FOREIGN ARTICLES—FRANCE.

Address of the Legislative Body.

"SIR,
Your very favorable subjects, the members of the legislative body, carry to the foot of the throne the address of thanks and congratulations which they have voted for the sentiments contained in the speech of your majesty.

"The opening of this session will be a memorable era of our history. Never did the throne and the nation give, the one to the other, so much splendor and support.

"The rights of the head of the state have accrued from all the interests which he has shed for the French people.

"We already state the good which the force of supreme power affords; and thanks to your cares, we shall be freed from the evils which its excess might bring with it.

"The national resources develop themselves with so much the more energy as your majesty promises to manage them with the more vigilance.

"You do not propose new subsidies, notwithstanding the immense military preparations. You deserve, Sir, that the French should never reckon their resources, since you so well reckon their wants.

"This great people, adorer of great men, always precipitates itself in their suite; and when illustrious chief call it to battle, it becomes more necessary to restrain its course than to excite it. Faithful to your designs, it will protect the flates which you have created, and the existence of which it becomes a wife policy to secure.

"But if, like you, this generous people are prepared for war, like you they desire only peace; and too wise to give up their legitimate right, they are too strong to overstate their pretensions.

"Your majesty declares that you do not wish to extend the territory of France, but to maintain its integrity. These words must deprive our enemies of every pretext. In fact, Sir, you have no need of any farther glory from conquest. You will be as great in the details of the internal administration as upon the field of battle. The world will speak as much of your initiation as of your victories.

"A long time is before you. Every thing which your majesty mediates for the happiness of France will be carried into effect. The finest delay will not be interrupted; and besides, it is a kind of glory that never dies.

"Treaties may be abolished by new treaties. The fruit of victories is sometimes lost: the greatness itself of empires impairs their duration. But love and admiration perpetuate the examples of those who have founded or established society upon the triple basis of laws, morals and religion. The work of these great men lasts for a long time, and their spirit governs posterity.

"The glory, Sir, will one day be yours and your actions as your words give us assurance of it.

"This day the voice of all the departments is heard by your majesty. They are assembled, in a manner, around you in the person of their deputies. Each of us has been enabled to concur by his individual opinion to this great act, which has given you the crown. We now manifest the same wish in a body. The people and their deputies will never repent of having formed it. They will serve with the same zeal, a power of which your genius proves more and more the advantages, and of which your wisdom has discerned all the limits."

"His imperial majesty, in his reply to this address, expresses himself nearly in these words: He had he acquiesced in the sentiments of the legislative body: that these sentiments would serve as a guide for the discussions and deliberations of the body, in the same manner as those which he had expressed, when he opened the session, should be the rule of government.

Address of the Tribunal.

"SIR,
Your very faithful subjects, the members of the tribuna, have heard with emotion the speech which your majesty has pronounced at the opening of the session of the legislative body. It has been much affected by the dispositions which you have manifested to maintain the honor and glory of the French nation abroad and to secure its happiness and tranquillity at home.

"You have declared, Sir, that you will preserve the integrity of the empire, but that you do not wish to increase the territory. This solemn declaration will be to Europe the assured pledge of the sentiments of moderation and peace, which have constantly animated you.

"Your majesty has also declared, that you would not sacrifice its rights, nor the bonds which connect it with the states which you have created.

"Sir—The glory of the throne upon which you are seated, the honor of the French people, their real interests, these even of all Europe, require that you shall never renounce our interest, which is the guaranty of the continental peace.

"You have farther announced, that you were satisfied with the prosperous state of the finances; and that no new sacrifice would be demanded of the nation.

"Sir, in doing homage to the vigilant and wise administration which has produced this happy result, the Tribunal thinks itself competent to assure your majesty, that you will always find in the devotion of the nation the resources necessary to disconcert ambitious views, and repel unjust aggressions.

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"Your majesty has claimed for the tribuna the same assistance, and the same zeal which you have experienced in its preceding sessions. Sir, in seconding your majesty, with all its means, and all its influence, the tribuna will only obey the sentiments of its duties, the wish of the French people, and the affections which connect it irrevocably with your sacred person, and your august family."

The following passages were in the reply of the Emperor: His majesty recognizing the proofs of devotion given by the Tribunal to the country and his person, and at a long time acquainted with the sentiments of that body, said that he could add nothing to the sentiments which he had manifested at the opening of the session, if it were not the expression of his particular regard for each of the members of the Tribunal.

Died, at Walton, (Con.) on the 27th of January, Mrs. Rebecca Betts, widow and relict of Benjamin Betts, aged 100 years, ten months and two weeks. She left behind her, a daughter of 70, and two sons, one 72 and the other 74 years of age.

FULTON'S TAVERN.

March 4, 1855.

At a meeting of the committee of the Hibernia Benevolent Society, it was resolved, that the annual meeting of the society, should be held on Saturday the 16th instant, (St. Patrick's day) at 2 o'clock, P. M. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, examining the state of the accounts, and paying the annual subscriptions.

The committee resolved to dine together on same day—dinner to be on the table at 3 o'clock. Such members of the society as chose to dine with them, will please to give in their names to Mr. Fulton, on or before the 14th instant that suitable preparations may be made for them.

JOHN C. WHITE, President.

March 7

SHIP NEWS

Port of Baltimore.

From *Dryden's Marine List.*

March 6.

Arrived, Bremen ship *Hanseatische* Bredt, O. C., from Varel, via Patuxent. Also, snow John & Joseph, Manning, 30 days from Martinique, via Patuxent. Also, brig *Brilliant*, Bartlett, from Guadaloupe—T. & S. Hollingsworth. Also, schr. *Good Intent*, McKee, 48 days from Cayenne—L. Taylor, a d'Vor Kapff & Brunce.

Also, Prussian ship *Louisa*, H yes 69 days from Amsterdam—ballast—R. Gilmore & Sons.

Also, *Hamburgh* ship *Emanuel*, Meyer, 170 days from Tonnigen, w 183 German Redemptioners—Charles and Francis Young.

Also, schr. *Sally*, C. M., 24 days from St. Pierre, (Martinique)—sugar—B. Gallow and Prud. Left brig *Maria* and *Mary*, Smith, of Baltimore, uncertain when to sail; brig *Connecticut*, Bleau, for New York, in 10 days; *Aurora*, Arien, for do. in 18; ship *Hercules*, Parsons, for do. in 18; brig *Hope*, R. S. Brough, (late *Barber*) of Boston, just arrived, much injured in a gale; brig *Otaiv*, for New York, in 10 days; brig *Sally* and *Jenne*, for Philadelphia, in 6; schr. *Americanus*, for do. 10th; brig *Fox*, Drummond of Boston, just arrived from Bordeaux; Fair *Manhattan*, Satter, for New-York, uncertain; sloop *Hawk*, for do. in 3 days. The schr. *Chesapeake*, Hurs, of Baltimore, sailed for Matigalante a few days before. Under Duong was boarded by the British frigate *Junco*, and after examining our papers, suffered us to proceed. The schr. *Amazon*, Philip, has arrived at Barbados.

Arrived, Prussian ship *Louisa*, Heyses, 60 days from Amsterdam—Ballast—Robert Gilmore and sons.

Also, *Hamburg* ship *Emanuel*, Meyers, 170 days from Tonnigen with 183 German Redemptioners—Charles and Francis Young.

Also, ship *Minerva*, Hammond, 72 hours from New York—in ballast—came into the Capes last night, saw nothing in the bay bound up.

Also, a northern schr. the *Washington*, Ellis, from Boston.

Also, schr. *Tryal*, Bartlet, 30 days from the coast of St. Domingo—Mahogany and Logwood—Lewis Fouk. Left but one vessel at the city, which was a Newburyport schr.—Heard of no late captures, spoke nothing on the passage.

Newburyport February 24.

Arrived, brig *Sisters*, Follasbee, from Martinique, via the Vineyard. Sailed January 4, was boarded on coming out by an English frigate, had my register endorsed, and informed the island was blockaded; 5th lat. 15 56, spoke brig *Maryann*, Sawyer, from Portland, who had his register endorsed and turned away; 11th lat. 25 10, ship *George Washington*, of Freeport, 6 days from St. Pierre, for New York; 22d got foundings on Nantucket shoals; 25th, spoke a schoo-

ner 17 days from St. Thomas for Boston; same day a schooner from Plymouth bound to N. Carolina, 31 days out, supplied them with water; Feb. 11 lat. 37, 20, a scho. from Boston for Baltimore.

Charleston. February 20.

Cleared, ship *Edwin*, Thomas, Cooves and a Market; brig *Minerva*, Bro Kings, Havana; brig *Polly*, Moran, Guadaloupe.

Loss of the brig *Maria* of Charleston. Captain Beck, of the schooner *Active*, arrived on Monday last, from Martinique, law there, Mr. Bryan Lincoln, late mate of the brig *Maria*, captain Shepard, of this port—from whom he received the following information:

On the 17th December last, at 10 A. M. the brig *Maria* was struck with a white squall, and immediately sunk. The captain and 25 men, being then below, perished—the first mate, and the remainder of the crew (12 men) floated on the sweeps and parts of the wreck for some time, and at length got on the poop deck, which had separated from the vessel as she sunk; in which situation they remained till the 29th, when they were picked up by the ship *Ann*, of New-York, from Charleston to Barbados, where they were carried, and from whence the mate and two seamen arrived at Martinique on the 19th January, and hence proceeded to Philadelphia having declined an offer kindly made to them by captain Beck of a passage to this port.

The ship *Columbia*, of Charleston, capt. Anderson, was in company with the *Maria*, at the time she was struck, and hove to under her lee for some time; but it is supposed, finding it impossible to render assistance, continued her course.

To Hire,

A NEGRO MAN, of excellent character. Apply to BARROLL & RICAUD, march 7

For Sale,

BY HENRY LONG, at his Factory in Old Town. 151 1/2 doz SHIRTS, assorted, black, white and colored, with a large quantity of FINE P, in good order for shipping, all of which he will sell low for cash, or at his usual credit. march 7

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THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the orphan's court of Dorchester county, state of Maryland, letters of administration de bonis non, on the personal property of Henry Trippe, late of Dorchester county, deceased.—All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same for payment, with the proper vouchers thereof, on or before the 30th day of August next, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit arising thereon. Given under my hand this 27th day of February, 1855. JAMES TRIPPE, junr. Administrator de bonis non. march 7

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Government Security!

NEW-YORK LOTTERY,

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 cents 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, 1854, 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.

TICKETS,

HALVES, QUARTERS AND EIGHTHS, are to be had at G. & R. Waite's PERMANENT LOTTERY OFFICES, Nos. 64 & 36, MAIDEN LANE, at the following Prices,

Whole Tickets, dis. 7 50 Quarters, 2 Halves, 3 75 Eighths, 1 12

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 punctuality, 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. N. York, Nov. 23 (36)

A House-Keeper.

WANTED a sober, orderly woman, capable of cooking and managing a small family. Apply at Mount Pelier, ISAAC VAN BIBBER, February 22

Sale by Auction.

THIS MORNING,

7th instant, at 10 o'clock, at the vendue warehouse, corner of Second and Frederick streets, will begin the sale of

A variety of DRY GOODS, among which are, 4 bales ticklenburgs, furniture chins, muscades, striped handkerchiefs, muscades, ribbons, black necks, silk stockings, shawls, black and white silk lace, fine corsets, muslins, and an invoice of gold and silver cords and threads, watch chains, knives, scissors, crockets, &c.

And at 12 o'clock,

40 bgs green coffee, entitled to drawback 30 pipes Beecham's brandy, on 4 months credit 10 do. do. for cash, without reserve 10 puncheons West India rum 21 pipes, hhds. and quarter casks Madeira 6 do Holland gin, 30 boxes prunes 23 do half pipes and quarter casks Tenebrife wine 17 quarter casks Malaga, 100 gin casks, 30 kegs and boxes figs, blue, nutmegs, cloves, wax candles, &c

THOS. CHASE, aucr.

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Public Sale.

On MONDAY, The 25th instant, at ten o'clock, at Mr. William Smallwood's tavern, on M. Allister's road, about 3 miles from Reister's town, will be sold

HORSES, Cows, Hogs, and Farming utensils, likewise, a variety of Household & Kitchen Furniture, among which is an Eight-day Clock and case. The terms will be cash march 7

For Freight or charter,

The Schooner CHARLOTTE, Nathan Fenwick master; A staunch well found vessel of 80 or 95 barrels burthen—will be in readiness to receive a cargo in a few days. For terms, apply to ISAIAH MAPPING, 67, Smith's wharf, Who has in Store,

Second Pork Dried Beef Alum Peppers Empty Gin cases A few barrels Newtown Pippins, &c. march 7

For Philadelphia,

The Schooner REBECCA, Captain B. G. Goss, T. sail on Saturday, for freight apply to the captain, on board, at Smith's wharf, or LORMAN & FULFORD, march 7

In Pursuance of a Decree

Of the honorable Alexander Hanson, chancellor of Maryland, will be exposed to PUBLIC SALE, at Mr. Thomas Chase's Vendue Warehouse, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of April next, at half past 11 o'clock, A. M. the following described property, (being part of the real estate of the late Col. Edward Oldham, deceased, and sold for the payment of his debts) viz—

TWO LOTS of Ground, Nos. 193 and 196, being part of the ground laid out by a certain Brian M. Philip, as an addition to and part of Baltimore town, and purchased by the said Edward Oldham, of Francis Lecks, trustee for the sale of Ralph Foster's estate.

Also, Three LOTS of Woodland, in Baltimore county, opposite to Briton's tavern, on the Philadelphia road: the first of which, lot No. 63, contains one hundred and seventy three acres; the second lot No. 64 contains one hundred and thirty six acres and a half; and the third, No. 65, contains one hundred and fifty five acres and one quarter, as surveyed by David Clarke, on the first day of May, A. D. 1733, being part of the Principio Company's land.

The terms of sale are, the purchaser or purchasers must give bonds with approved security for one half the purchase money, with interest thereon, payable within twelve months, and the remainder, with interest thereon, within two years from the day of sale; and upon the satisfaction thereof by the chancellor, and the payment of the whole purchase money and interest; and not before, the trustee will execute a deed for the property.

Any person purchasing, and not complying with the above terms before four o'clock, P. M. will be held responsible for any loss that may be suffered by a second sale, which will take place at that hour.

RICHARD KEY HEATH, trustee, march 7

Attention Farmers!

Information to those who will settle in the State of Pennsylvania.

THE Subscriber proposes to offer to any person who is brought up as a gardener, a small tract of land for a number of years, near Allegany River, at the town of Kittanning, to raise nurseries of Fruit Trees: they may have their choice out of a number of tracts. Those who wish to remove out may apply to

ROBERT SMITH, printer P. S. A number of small farms to put out on improving lease by enquiring of the county surveyor at Sloan's Ferry who will make known the terms. The advantages of settling here will be important to the settler, on account of the salt works in the state of New York, as well the great improvements that is proposed to be made in Pennsylvania, by cutting a canal of 21 miles from the western branch of the Susquehanna river to the Allegany river. The head of the Susquehanna is a Lake in the state of New York, and about 13 miles from the Mohawk river the whole of the emigration from the New England States, &c. to New Orleans and the tributary streams of the Ohio and Mississippi, must pass this way—the whole of this route, will be by water, from the City of New York, provided the said State cut a Canal between the Mohawk river and the lake—excepting 13 miles between Allegany and Shenecady, which is now well improved.

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An eligible situation.

A respectable merchant of this city, wishes to engage an Assistant in his counting house, with a probability of full being permanent. He must be a complete book-keeper, good grammarian, write an elegant hand, and be capable of calculating the currencies of other countries with facility.—A liberal compensation will be given to a person answering the above description: if approved of—a few lines directed to A. B. and left at his office, will be attended to. march 4