THE ISLAND OF MALTA is stated in late accounts to be in a situation of high defence. Above fifty very valuable Spanish prizes had been captured and carried in here, within a short time after the news of the war. Among them were four transports containing a Spanish regiment of infantry 800 strong and quite complete, that had embarked at Barcelona for Minorca, and were captured by the Superb, a British 74 just as they were entering the port of Minorca. The troops in garrison at Malta are as follows—

	Men.
Royal artillery,	500
20th regiment,	800
27th do.	1050
35th do.	1000
61st do.	800
De Watteville's do.	700
British chasseurs	500
Lowe's Corsican corps	500
Two Maltese regiments	1000
Total,	6850

The following is a correct statement of the number of petitions and signers for and against calling a convention, which had been received previous to the rising of the legislature: *Freeman's Journal.*

FOR A CONVENTION.

No. of Petitions.	Names of the counties.	No. of Signers
13	Chester County,	500
4	Delaware do.	103
1	Montgomery do.	31
3	Cumberland do.	250
4	Washington do.	693
1	Franklin do.	68
11	Lancaster do.	780
2	Northumberland	127
2	Mifflin do.	268
30	City & county of Philada.	1988
1	Berks do.	136
		4944

AGAINST A CONVENTION.

No. of Petitions	Names of the counties.	No of Signers
8	York county.	539
53	City & county of Philada.	3320
1	Cumberland do.	262
13	Lancaster do.	767
1	Delaware do.	104
3	Adams do.	422
1	Berks do.	312
1	Bucks do.	7
2	Montgomery do.	152
		5949

RECAPITULATION.

Against a Convention,	5949
For a Convention,	4944
Majority against a Convention,	1005

FOOD FOR HORSES.

"Grass is not only food, but is likewise physic to horses. I mean the *early or spring* grass. When the viscera are sound, it cures most of the diseases they are subject to, with more certainty and expedition than can be done by medicine. After a long course of dry feeding and hard labor it restores the constitution to the highest health and strength. It cleanses the bowels and carries off those chalky concretions that are apt to be produced in the stomach of such horses as have been long used to dry, hard feeding. It likewise carries off the different species of worms with which they are infested. It renovates, as it were, the whole mass of fluids in the body. It promotes all the secretions, and removes glandular obstructions; and, in many cases, it carries off stiffness in the joints, and other lameness; and, upon the whole, it restores the body to the highest state of perfection of which it is capable.

But the advantages I have now mentioned that arise to horses from their being out to spring grass, are in a great measure lost to them if they are allowed to continue through the summer, when the grass becomes too rank, so that they become fat and corpulent: for I would always have it understood that a fat corpulent horse is by no means fit for active exercises of any kind, neither can he go through them without danger to his health and soundness. New hay of any kind should not be given to horses, more especially to them that are employed in active exercises, as they feed upon it too greedily and swallow it without chewing it properly. I overloads the stomach, and at the same time produces a crude watery chyle, which disposes the horses to sweat much, and that weakens them greatly—Therefore hay should never be given till the superfluous moisture it contains be dried up which will require some months after it is got in. But for such horses as are employed in very hard exercises, hay should at least be eight or ten months old"—*Clark's Farriery.*

NEAT ARTICLE.—*Rabelais* tells us of a story of one *Philpot Placut*, who being brisk and hale fell dead as he was paying an old debt; which perhaps causes many, says he, not to pay their's for fear of the like accident.

ECONOMY.—A highlander who sold brooms, went into a barber's shop a Glasgow to get shaved. The barber bought one of his brooms, and, after having shaved him, asked the price of it. "Twa pence," said the highlander. "No, no," said the barber, "I'll give you a penny, and if that does not satisfy you, take your broom again." The highlander took it, and asked "what he had to pay?—"A penny," says Strap. "I'll give ye a hawbee," says Duncan, "an if that dinna satisfy ye pit on my beard again." *London paper.*

Easy and effectual Cure for Wens.

Having had a Wen of the steatomatous kind, of large size, & long standing, upon the side of my face, immediately before and below my right ear, I was informed by different people, that if I would apply salt and water to it I should get rid of it. In August 1798, I put a quantity of salt and water into a saucepan, and boiled it for four minutes; with which I bathed the surface frequently, while it continued warm, as also after it became cold, so often as ten or twelve times daily; always stirring up the salt deposited at the bottom of the bason, and incorporating it again with the water before I applied it. On the 11th day from the first application, while shaving, I observed a small discharge, which assisting by a gentle pressure, the whole contents were soon emptied without the smallest pain and without blood.

Being informed of some others who had been benefitted in like manner from the same application, and knowing myself of some late instances under my own immediate direction, I feel it a duty thus to make it public; being convinced it can produce no bad effect, and every person having it in their power to make the trial. At the same time, I beg leave to caution, that no one should be disheartened from the length of time it may be necessary to continue the application; as, in some cases, it has required three or four months, though in the last only thirty days; but it all without pain or inconvenience of any kind, or any previous notice of the discharge, till it actually took place.

WILLIAM CHISHOLME.

Chisholme. England

Port of Baltimore.

From Bryden's Marine List.

April 22.

The brig S. W. Boyle, from Havanna, and schr. Greyhound Holmes, from Guadaloupe are in the bay. Two schrs. were lying at anchor off Swan Point.

April 23.

Arrived, brig S. W. Boyle, 13 days from Havanna coffee sugar, Peruvian bark and balsam Peru—J. Carrere. Left, the 18th inst. the brig Mary, Wannel, for Baltimore, in 15 days; sch'r Susan, Barton, for do. 8 days, the schooner Concord, Murphy for Baltimore, sailed the day before. Spoke, 10 leagues to windward of Havanna, schooner Ann, Travers, 17 days from Baltimore, bound in. From the 25th February to the 10th April, there arrived 145 sail of American vessels at Havannah. A variety of reports were in circulation respecting the movement of the Rochefort fleet but no reliance could be placed in them.

Ast, brig Spartan, Chamberlard, 19 days from Genoive—coffee & cotton—Henry Meade, owner. Left there the 4 inst. barque Packet, of Philadelphia; brig Louisa, Ford, for Norfolk; sch'r Samuel Collins, of ditto. Sailed from thence, in co. with sch'r Tickler, Frost, of Baltimore, and Antelope, Morse, of Philadelphia for Port au Prince, for convoy same day. Off the Triangles, were attacked by a sch'r and Felucca privateers, who took the Tickler, the Antelope, was run on shore, and crew deserted her, they afterwards boarded and by throwing some of the cargo overboard got her off and took possession of her. Capt. Morse, one passenger in the sch'r Spartan previous to taking the above vessel; they attacked the Connecticut of Philadelphia, from St. Marks for Port au Prince, and Spartan, but were beat off. Sailed from Port au Prince the next day in co. with the ships Europe, Anderson, and Eugenie, Morris, for N. York; sch'r Maria Lewis, Lewis, for ditto. Eliza, Eghen, for Philadelphia, Friendship, Shaw, and Harmony, Gold, for Baltimore parted with her 8 days ago. in lat. 25, long. 74 saw the Harmony, 5 days since, on soundings.

Boston, April 15—17.

Arrived, brig Massafuera, Stanwood, Barcelona.

Brig Minerva, Appleton, Guadaloupe.

Brig Agenoria, Downing, Tobago.

Brig Columbia, Appleton, Surrinam. Spoke, Feb. 16, lat. 35, long. 68 30, sch'r —— Lirchen, 68 days from St. Kitts, for Philadelphia, had carried away his foremast, lost 3 men overboard, and was short of provisions.

Sch'r Ranger, Blackmore, St. Jago 36 days.

Brig Amphion, Blanchard, of Portland, Cadiz, via Portland 44 days.

Sch'r Enterprize, Tucker, from the Streights, last from Malaga 40 days.—Business very brisk at Malaga—markets favorable—Flour 14, Fish 7 and 9, Beef 18 and 20 dollars.

Sch'r Amazon, capt. Crosby, (owned at Dennis) 15 days from Bahamas.

Arrived at New Bedford, April 10, the ship Hudson, Bunker, from the Pacific Ocean, all well—spoke in lat. 20, 32, long. 60, brig Generous Friend, from New York, for Guadaloupe—March 12, lat. 20, long. 62, 30, brig Hercules, Saunders, 16 days from Wilmington, for St. Croix—17th lat. 26 long. 68 40, P. Brig sch'r Joseph, 5 days from Philadelphia, for St. Domingo. 27th lat. 33 long. 74, sch'r Belinda, 2 days from Edenton.

Cleared, ship Prince, Drew, Isle of France; brig Industry, Bailey, Jamaica; sch'rs Aurora, Hammond, Havanna; William, Rudolph, Halifax; Union, Macdonald, St. Andrews.

Philadelphia, April 22.

Cleared Ship Zulema, Allison, Bordeaux; brigs Hope, Thomas, St. Thomas; Good Friends, Sevin, West Indies; Sally, Hughes, Savannah; schooners Betsey, Florence, St. Thomas; Nancy, Lake, Porto Rico; Mount Vernon, Fisher Newbern; Matilda, Wallace, do.; Success, Town, Norfolk; sloop Unity, Hand Alexandria.

Yesterday arrived schooner Farmer, Toy from Havanna, which he left the 7th inst. The ship John, from hence arrived the day captain T. sailed—The brig Rosanna, Brown, from this port, for N. Orleans passed the Havanna the day before captain T. sailed, and the brig commodore Barry, Meade, was to leave the Havanna, for this port on the 8th inst.

Captain T. mentions, that the sch'r Sally, Cunningham, from hence for the Havanna, ran ashore on Stirrup Key, but it was tho't would be got off again.

Arrived, the Roebuck, Remigman, 20 days from St. Pierres, Martinico. Left, the schooner Hetty, Taylor of this port.

Also brig Alexander Reynolds, 27 days from Point Petre, Guadaloupe—Left there Ships Commerce, Tappan, of and for Newburyport in fourteen days; Joseph & Phebe, Perkins of Nantine, for New York uncertain; Louisiana, Ingersoll of & for New York, in three days—Brigs, Aristides, Cherry, of and for New York the 10th April; Tropic, Motley, of and for Boston in five days. Ellen, Jordon, of and for Portland in eighteen days; Amity, Boutillier, of and for Philadelphia for do in 2 days; Franklin, Nason, of Newburyport, for Philadelphia in 13 days; Neptune, Sandford, of and for New York uncertain—schooners Little Robert of and for Philadelphia, receiving a cargo on board; Adventure, Hardie of Philadelphia uncertain.

Sailed from Point Petre, Guadaloupe.

March 21st—brig Maria, Wadsworth of and for New York, soon after leaving the harbour, went on shore, the vessel & most of the cargo lost.

March 23d—brig Harriot, for Newburyport; schooner *Amazon, Phillips Baltimore.*

March 24th—schooners *Nymph, Davis, Baltimore.*

March 25—brig Jefferson, Lewis, for Philadelphia, to touch at Basseterre for a few days. April 18 40 leagues E. S. E. of Cape Henlopen spoke ship Hebe, Otta, of and from Philadelphia, 18 hours out bound to Canton.

The following is a list of some of the American vessels left by captain Medlin (whose arrival we mentioned on Saturday) in 15 days from Havanna.

For New York—brig Union, King, in 10 days; schooner Mechanic, Wintmore, next day, Regulator, Trent; Eliza, Johnson.

For Boston—ship Agent, Eddy, in 7 days; Sally, Hills, in 4; Nancy Stevens in 4, Vinnia, Tabor, in 10; brig Echo, Foreman in 16 days.

FOR BALTIMORE *Sch'r Susan, Benton, in 15 days. Nonpareil Bishop, in 6 days; brig South West, Boyle.* (arrived)

For Norfolk—ship Commerce, Lorton, sch'r Two Brothers, Goss.

For Charleston—ship William, White, in 4 days; brig Jemima and Fanny, Tatem 8; Merchant in 8 days.

A Clerk Wanted,

WHO is a complete accomptant. Enquire at this office.

April 24 d4t

The Public

ARE respectfully informed that the business of

Lemmon & Campbell

Will be continued as heretofore, under the same firm.

April 24 d4t

For Sale,

A HANDSOME Saddle HORSE, to be seen at the Columbian Inn Stables.

April 24 d4t

Wet Nurse.

A WET NURSE with a full breast of milk, who can be well recommended, will hear of a good place by applying at No. 25, in Gay street, four doors above this office.

April 24 d4t*

Ran Away,

ON Wednesday, the 3d instant, a negro man named *RICHARD THOMPSON*, aged about 32 or 33 years, dark complexion, about 5 feet 10 inches high, tolerably well made, full eyes, knock kneed, has bad teeth; he is a very artful cunning fellow, much addicted to liquor, can read, write, and cypher, and fond of shewing his learning, and also of making use of high flown language. He has nearly three years to serve at the expiration of which time he is to be free. Had on when he went away a blue jacket and trowsers—The said *Richard Thompson* served seven years to the late Daniel Douglass, as brander of flour.

It is very probable he will change his name.

Whoever apprehends and secures the said negro in any jail, so that I get him again, or who will bring him to me, in this place, shall receive five dollars reward if taken within this town, or within 15 miles thereof; and fifteen if taken beyond that distance.

ROBERT BROCKET.

Alexandria, April 19, 1805.

N. B. All masters of vessels, and others are forbidden harboring, harbouring or carrying off said negro under the penalties of the law.

April 23 d4t

Sign Writing

AND ORNAMENTAL GILDING,

EXECUTED in the neatest style on moderate terms, by

R. PHILLIPS,

No 37 South street.

A young lad of good character will be taken as apprentice to the above business.

April 24 w4s

The Subscribers,

HAVING formed a copartnership under the firm of IRVINE & BEATTY, are now opening at their store No 219, Baltimore street,

A General Assortment of

Dry Goods,

Which they will sell low for cash or approved acceptances in town.

ALEXANDER IRVINE,

JOHNSTON BEATTY,

April 24 eo

Goshen Cheese.

The subscribers have just received,

10,000 wt. Goshen Cheese, of excellent quality.

Also,

40 boxes real London Mustard, 6 dozen each

20 chests fresh Young Hyson Tea

20 baskets very excellent Salad Oil, large bottles, for family use.

JACOB & WM. NORRIS.

On hand,

40 cases Florence Oil, 30 flasks each

15 chests first chop Imperial Tea, suitable for retailing

10 chests Souchong Tea

50 cases Claret, 1 dozen each

3 half tierces fresh Rice

Pickled Oysters, &c.

April 24 1aw4t

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The COMPLETE HISTORY of the

Civil War in Ireland,

By the Rev. JAMES GORDON,

WILL be published in a few days, by *S. Butler*, and *Pechin & Frailey*; and the delivery of said work, to subscribers in the city of Baltimore, will commence next week.

It will form two handsome volumes; price to subscribers 175 cents, to non-subscribers the price will be 2 dollars:—Of 1500 copies printing, more than 1250 are now subscribed for.

The Publishers inform that subscribers will not be received after the present week.

ALTHOUGH the professed object of the Rev. J. Gordon, in writing his history, was to give an *impartial* and *unbiassed* account of the unsuccessful attempt of the Irish to emancipate themselves from their degrading thraldom, yet the imperious calls of self security rendered the full attainment of this desirable object impossible. Living under a despotic government, exasperated by the immense loss of blood and treasure expended in the rebellion of these brave but unfortunate sons of freedom, he very well knew that any one attempting to tell the *whole truth* would be frowned into silence, and the imprudent and luckless author be doomed to add one more to the long list of Irish martyrs. He, therefore, prescribed to himself certain bounds, beyond which he has not dared to pass;—he has written as impartially as circumstances would permit, but very differently from what he might have done had he penned it in our own free and happy country.

To remedy this defect, and to supply all the deficient narrative of Gordon, has been the unwearied care of the Publishers, and they are happy to assure the public, that their exertions, they flatter themselves, have been crowned with success.

The sources from which they have derived their additional and corrective information, are various. They have made copious extracts from Messrs Hay, Plowden, and Cooper's histories on the subject and from several *proscribed* phamphlets, the printing and sale of which in Ireland, if discovered, might have been considered treasonable, as they contain many impartially narrated facts, which the government wish to conceal or misrepresent.

As it may be presumed, that some readers may not be fully acquainted with the situation of Ireland, we have, to illustrate the work, prefixed a short Geographical, Topographical and Historical description thereof.

With these Additions, Corrections and Alterations, the Publishers, will present to their free and enlightened countrymen, GORDON'S HISTORY OF THE IRISH REVOLUTION, as the most impartial, faithful and interesting history on that subject, now extant. In this favoured country only, could such an one be printed; as here, the Liberty of the Press, unfettered by the arbitrary hand of power, diffuses the rays of truth and impartial information, throughout our happy land.

April 24

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN Away last evening, from the subscriber, residing about one mile from this city, on the Frederick turnpike road, a German indented servant lad named CASPER JOSEPH SHULTS, about 18 or 19 years of age, about 5 feet high, of slender make, with dark colored hair: has the form of an anchor put on one of his wrists with powder or Indian Ink. Speaks English, French, and high and low Dutch very well. Had on when he went away, an olive colored coating round-about jacket, with a belt round the middle and no pocket; yellow marseilles waistcoat, nearly new, and thickset pantaloons. Has been about eighteen months in this country. The above reward will be given to any person who will take up the said boy, and bring him to me at Brooks and Dillon's store 8, north Howard-street.

All masters of vessels and others are forbid harboring or carrying off said boy at their peril.

CLEMENT BROOKE.

April 19. eo4t

Thirty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in St. Mary's county, a likely dark mulatto negro lad, 19 years old, by the name of *ARNOLD*, five feet 6 or 8 inches high, had a small scar on the back of his left hand, and when cured, I expect will leave a small scar. He had on when he went away, a checked country cloth jacket and trowsers, and an old swan down vest. The above reward shall be paid any person apprehending said negro and securing him so that I get him again; if out of the county, and if in the county ten dollars, by

JOSEPH RICHARDSON.

April 17 eo4t*

Sale by Auction.

THIS MORNING.

The 24th instant at 11 o'clock at the auction room, at the head of Gay street dock, will commence the sale of

A VARIETY OF DRY GOODS,

Among which are

The following *GERMAN LINENS*, which will be sold for approved notes at 60 days:

2 cases Creas a la moslaix
2 do brown Platillas
3 do Stripes
2 do Quadruple Silesias
3 do Britannias
1 do Dowlas
1 do White Rolls

} entitled to drawback.

And for account of the underwriters,

One case superfine LONDON CLOTHS, damaged on board ship Protector, arrived at Norfolk.

After which at 12 o'clock,

28 hhds. and 18 tcs good muscovado sugar
120 Tierces Rice
38 hhds New England Rum
21 pipes Bordeaux Brandy, on liberal credit.
4 hhds. Jamaica Rum, to close sales
5 pipes Port and Teneriffe wines

LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auct'rs.

Sale by Auction.

Will be added to our sale This Morning,

A New 8 Inch CABLE

LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auct'rs.

April 24

Sale by Auction.

TO-MORROW MORNING,

The 25th instant, at 9 o'clock, at the Vendue Warehouse, at the corner of Second and Frederick streets, will begin the sale of

Several invoices of DRY GOODS, the greater part of which are the property of a person declining the dry good business, and consists of

1 case of fine muslin shirting
3 trunks callicoes and chintzes
3 boxes fine French cambricks
2 trunks corded dimities
Cambrick muslins, marseilles
Cotton, thread and worsted hose
130 pieces black and white lace
Striped nankeens, velvets, corduroys
Buttons, tapes threads, &c

And at 12 o'clock precisely,

30 hhds. first quality New Orleans Sugar
13 do and 16 boxes white and brown clayed do,
22 pipes 1st quality Bordeaux Brandy
11 puncheons Antigua Rum
46 pipes and half pipes Madeira Port and Teneriffe wine
7 pipes Gin and 6 pipes white Port wine
18 hhds, Molasses
4 casks Madder and 2 do Lamb Black
A variety of Glass and Crockery ware, &c.

THOMAS CHASE, auct'r

April 24

Sale by Auction.

On WEDNESDAY,

The 1st May at 12 o'clock will be sold at the premises, on a liberal credit,

ABOUT fifty acres of highly improved Land, being a part of Woodville, the late country residence of Jeremiah Yellott, Esq. deceased. The said 50 acres are divided into 4 parcels, agreeably to a plat which may be seen at the vendue warehouse, at the corner of Second and Frederick streets.

THOMAS CHASE, Auct'r.

April 23

6 Cents Reward

RAN AWAY from the subscriber yesterday morning, an indented girl, named POLLY CONDY, aged about 5 years. The above reward, but no charges, will be paid if she is brought to No. 16, North Gay street.

L. FRAILE.

April 24 d4t

Baltimore Theatre.

(NEVER ACTED HERE.)

To-Morrow Evening, April 22,

Will be presented a much admired Play, (interspersed with songs) in 3 acts, called

The Mysteries of the Castle.

Founded on Miss Radcliff's celebrated novel of The Mysteries of Eudolpho. Written by Miles Peter Andrews, Esq. and performed at Covent Garden Theatre, London, with the greatest applause.

(With the original Music.)

To which will be added, Musical Entertainment, in 2 acts, called

The Turnpike Gate.

BOX one Dollar, PIT three fourths of a Dollar

April 23

Notice to Pilots.

THE office for renewing Pilots' licences, will be open every day, Sundays excepted, from 8 o'clock in the morning, until 4 in the evening, during the whole months of April and May, at No. 6, Granby-street.

The board for examining Pilots will sit every Monday morning, at 8 o'clock, in April and May, at the Maryland Insurance Office, in South street. By order of the board,

JOHN WARTHERBURN, Register

April 6 eo. 3tm

I have just imported

AND now offer for sale, an assortment of BOLTING CLOTHS, that I warrant to be of the first quality, and on as good terms as any imported into the United States.

I have also BURR MILL STONES of different sizes and good materials and hands to supply any order that I may have. Plaister of Paris in the stone and prepared for land.

ISAAC M'PHERSON.

march 26 saw8t*

For Sale,

Bar Iron of a good quality
Castings, assorted
Wrought and cut nails
Rod and hoop iron
Steel, &c.

Also,

50 barrels good Herrings
4 hhds 1st quality New Orleans sugar
12 hhds excellent New Orleans Molasses
331 barrels Tar, in good shipping order
31 barrels superfine and 100 fine Flour
2 hhds Old London particular Madeira Wine. Apply to

ROBERT CORNTHWAITE,

No. 1, M'Ellery's wharf.

Who receives goods on storage on moderate terms.

April 10 eo3t