

St. Louis, August 12th, 1805.

DEAR SIR, I arrived here the 27th ultimo, after a most fatiguing journey, but thank God well, as was the case with Colonel Hammond, Mrs Pope, and the rest of our company—and as agreeable to my promise when I saw you last, I now endeavor to fulfil part of that promise by writing you.

We passed through a charming country both in West Tennessee, part of Kentucky and that most valuable tract called Indiana Territory, the whole of those lands surpassed any idea formed of them for fertility, in many places we passed through prairies where the grass is as high as a horse, and the land excellent and not a tree on them, they are from three to twelve miles in length, and nearly as broad, and afforded the most delightful landscapes I ever saw, and where we met with woodlands, the cane grew on it as large and thick, as in the low grounds on Savannah river. It is healthy and only wants inhabitants to cultivate it.

I crossed several large rivers, say Holstein, French-Broad, Clinch, Red, and the Ohio rivers, the last of which is the noblest river I ever saw, being about one mile and a quarter wide, clear and runs very gentle. I passed through two wildernesses, one of 150 miles in length, having every 20 miles a station, and the other about 120 miles without any houses but thrax, and indeed several kind of wild animals, so that I did, we were lucky in passing safely. The river Mississippi on the banks of which this town is situated, is about one mile wide, runs rather rapid, and is always muddy as high up as where the Mis and empties it into it, which is 18 miles by water, and then the Mississippi becomes clear, and is not so rapid, and is a beautiful river. The river Missouri is, where I saw it, 17 miles from hence about the same width as rapidly as the Mississippi, but always muddy, this no person can see the bottom. There has been no late accounts from a plain Lewis, the last account was by the boat that carried him, which returned, he had then ascended the river Missouri two thousand five hundred miles, and then was among a nation of Indians, called the Mamont nation, which was the highest up the Missouri that any of the traders had ever seen, they are in daily expectation of leaving from him. Government a few days past dispatched a boat to find out the source of the Mississippi, it is under the command of a Lieutenant Pelee, a worthy officer, a good draftsman and artist, and who I make no doubt will give the United States a satisfactory account of it. This country appears to me as a new world, and not known by its former masters, known I trust under the American government. This country from the information I have collected abounds with mines of different kinds—but the most profitable are the lead mines, the product is beyond comparison. This town consists of about 30 houses, built in general after the French mode, the inhabitants chiefly French (say Canadian) who have returned here a few among them been left in a small settlement, however since the repulsion of the American government, begin to taste a little of the sweets of liberty, they are a well disposed set of people. The land here is a fertile soil, however since the repulsion of the American government, begin to taste a little of the sweets of liberty, they are a well disposed set of people. The land here is a fertile soil, however since the repulsion of the American government, begin to taste a little of the sweets of liberty, they are a well disposed set of people.

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Such is the small progress of the operations of the General Court; such its trifling concerns; and such some of the courses that make it necessary to abolish it. Besides individual expense, the pay of the jurors alone has cost the State of Maryland \$7,760 dollars; and only two disputed cases tried. *O Tempora O Mores!* [Rep. Advocate.]

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Curiosity.—Near the great island, on the west branch of Sagadahoc, there has lately been discovered a depositary for the dead, consisting of several stone chambers, made to suit several lengths of the human body; the whole is in a rock, which projects from near the top of a hill towards the south west, so as to have a hot exposure during the summer season, and a dry situation at all times. The contents of these chambers have gone nearly to decay, excepting only one pair of feet and legs, and the upper part of the head; the skin, hair, nails, colour and natural appearance of these, are in a good state of preservation. So hard and entirely divested of moisture, as to be easily secured from change by the hand of time. They have been forwarded to a gentleman at George-Town, (Potomac) and are supposed to be the remains of a young Indian female of some of the Passages, whose family had deposited her there with much care and attention. Her apartment was furnished with suitable trinkets—changes of clothes, and brass buttons, for a long journey: her feet were in two pair of moccasins, one new, the others probably the last she had worn.

The oldest white inhabitants there have no recollection of any Indian or other account of such burials. (Aurora.)

Only one of the above-mentioned legs, with its foot and moccasins, part of the clothes and some trinkets were sent on to this place—we have seen them in the possession of the Revd. D. Wiley, at the Columbian Academy, the gentleman to whom they were sent. The short description we have extracted from the Aurora appears to be pretty correct.—Such preservations of the human body, without the intervention of art, are not uncommon in the Eastern continent—but it is believed that this is the first of the kind, that has every been discovered in this country. A more complete account of the depositary and its contents, will probably, be given in a short time. (Wash. Fed.)

meeting over the inhabitants, and what I most dislike they are chiefly aristocrats!! They are enemies to the emigration to this country as they are convinced their greatness must diminish, as this country increases in population. We have no press here, (I mean printing press) and I think in a short time there will be an opening for a press, and that to the advantage of the person who carries it on. I hope when we get once here, it will be republican.

Your paper is received here, and much attention paid to it by the Americans, who are chiefly republicans—I must now request the favor of your sending me your paper per first post after the receipt of this, and to give the enclosed a place.

American,
AND
COMMERCIAL DAILY ADVERTISER

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1805

NESTOR and CYRUS are received and shall appear as soon as convenient.

Our papers due by yesterday's eastern mail, owing to some unknown circumstance, did not arrive—This, we hope, will apologize for the bareness of this day's American in its marine department.

INTERMENTS

In the burning grounds of the city and precincts of Baltimore, during the week ending yesterday morning at sunrise:

Insanity	1
Consumption	5
Intemperance	1
Wounds	3
Still-born	3
Infants	2
Juvenile	1
Hemp-cough	1
Remittent	1
Intermittent	1
Northeast	1
Drropy	1
Adults	19
Children	11
Total	31

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RELIGION.—Every man has a right to adopt what religion and mode of worship he pleases, provided no man is injured by them. Perhaps that is the best religion which improves him the most.

There is a strong inclination in one man to disturb another in his religion, although it does not appear that he can profit by it. The choice of religion, and mode of worship, should ever remain with the man himself. They are private property. Religion is said to nourish the soul, as food for the body. Has one man, then, any more right to interfere with another in the mode of worshipping than in that of eating?

Civil liberty comes under the same rules as religion. It is private property.—Words and actions ought to be free, provided they are innocent. If no man is injured now have a right to complain.—Take away liberty, and you reduce him beneath a man.

Harmony. He who cultivates peace with others does them a kindness; but he does himself a greater by the returns of his own breast. If you brighten a knave, it will smooth the stone on which you brighten it.

This is the case with nations; they who promote it find happy returns. War is the reverse. The life of man is a serious thing; it is his all, and ought not to be wantonly trifled away. He who begins an unjust war, is accountable for all the murders which follow.

War is one of the greatest plagues of man; and I am sorry to say it is a plague much coveted. A bleeding man and a bleeding nation take long to recover. When a man or nation are oppressed, without having offended, they have a right to retaliate; but to begin a war upon no other principle. *Hutton's Tour.*

The famous Kotz bus states in the German Journal, of which he is the Editor, that, after a tour of 18 months, in the 8th of July, at London, he observed, that the boats were supplied with the most excellent food. On examination, he found that they were peas, which, he said, proved excellent fare! (London paper.)

Married last evening, by the Revd. Mr. Richard, Mr. HENRY SHANE, aged 70, to Mrs. MARY ALMONY, aged 30, both of Baltimore county.

LAST WEEK
But One!!
The Grand Panorama

BATTLE OF LODI,
CONTAINING 312 square feet of canvas, in Still-house-street, Baltimore, near Canal Church.

The place of exhibition is rendered agreeable, with seats, in which fires are constantly kept. Nov. 11 d6t

SHIP NEWS

Port of Baltimore.

ENTERED,	
Ships Restitution, Derby,	Cronstadt
Margaret, Eldred,	Amsterdam
Hannah, Warner,	St. Jago
Dean, Vibret,	Albina
Serpent, Hayes, City St. Domingo,	Albina
Brigs Newton, Riny,	Liverpool
Lion, Courself,	Bordeaux
Matha & Mary, Bourne,	St. Christi
SCHOONERS,	
Schooner Felicity, West,	St. Jago
Adeline, Dameron,	St. Jago
Federal George, Field,	Boston
Enterprise, Crowell,	N. York
Hermion, Ellwell,	Penobscot
Baltimore, Pentz,	Guadaloupe
Sloop Rising-Sun, Barram,	do.
CLEARED,	
Schr. Fanny, Swain,	Jeremie

From the Merchants' Coffee-House, Books, November 11.

Arrived, brig Lyon, Coarsall, from Bordeaux, 44 days from the Cordovan—wines, brandy, fruits and dry goods.—P. A. Guestier. Sailed in ex. with the brig Vigilant, Driscoll, for Baltimore. Left this September 16, ship Swift, Murphy, for New York the 20th; Mautric, Claghan do. do; Jenny, Ward, do. 25th; American Eagle, Ward, do. do; Maria, Green, do. do; Eiza, Smith, do. do; Catharine, Butler, New Orleans, 15th; Ulysses, Symonds, do. do; Gov. Claiborne, Harris, do. do; Charleston Packet, Sillman, Philadelphia, 25th; Friendship, Towers, Baltimore, unloading; Favorite, Postly, Boston, do; Live Oak, Thomas, do. do; Julian, Graham, New York, do; brigs Minerva, Burger, of New York, unloading; Minerva, Baker, do. do; Antelope, Bowman, New York, 25th; Young Edward, Morris, do; Geo. Clinton, do; Washington, Hoyt, do. do; Sally, Coswell, of Boston, for New Orleans, 20th; Ranger, Bates, for Boston, 25th; Eiza, Hatch, for New York, 28th; Echo, Forman, of Boston, for St. Thomas, 25th; schr. Eagle, Nicholson, of do. unloading; Saucy Jack, Fell, do. do. Spoke nothing on the passage. Information was received at Bordeaux, of the combined fleet from Cadiz, being at sea.—[An unfounded report.] The French senate had passed a bill abolishing the present and re-establishing the old Calendar after the expiration of the present year, 1805—120,000 conscripts have been voted. A note from the Emperor Napoleon to the Diet of Ratisbon has appeared, threatening to march an army across the Rhine.

Also, brig Martha, and Mary, Bourne, from Barbados and 16 days from St. Kitts—rum—John and S. Stump.—The schr. Amazon, Phillips, from Baltimore, has arrived at Barbados. Left at St. Kitts, schr. Mitchell, for Boston. Nov. 5 off Hatteras, spoke brig Samuel, Pratt, from St. Thomas, for New York. Saw a number of vessels off the capes, standing.

Also, schr. Adeline, Dameron, 16 days from St. Jago—sugar.—P. A. Guestier.—Off Cape May, was boarded by a French privateer, who put on board the mate and part of the crew of the schr. Greyhound of New York, bound from Cape-Fraicois to Baltimore, captured by her. Heard that the ship Washington, Ford, from St. Jago, for Baltimore, had been captured by the British, and carried into Jamaica. Passed 3 brigs (one anthermophrodite) and a schr. in the bay, bound up.

The English brig Swain, from New-Castle (Eng.) is in the bay.

Well Fish.
A BOAT-LOAD of remark. large and highly flavored OYSTERS, taken in the Chesapeake, are just received at the Cross-Kings Inn, 59, North Gay-street, and will be served up (cooked in every manner) this and the succeeding evenings of the week. Detached Rooms for Select Parties. Nov. 12. It

Raisins and Sgars.
JUST received and for sale, at No. 64, Market-street, 50 boxes fresh Malaga RAISINS, 500 wt. soft ALMONDS, 1900 wt. R. S. PHILBERTS, 100 half boxes first chop SUGARS, 20 pipes Cogniac BRANDY, 4th proof. JACOB & WM. NORRIS. Nov. 12. 2w8tTu

To Rent,
A STORE, COUNTING ROOM, and CELLAR, No. 92, Market street, opposite South-street—possession given immediately. Nov. 12. 2aw

Fresh Goods.
SAMUEL WALKER has just received 150 SILK BELLSSES, some of which are extra size, heavy & warm, SER CORSETTES, Black and White IRON LACES, RIBBONS, FANS, LACE VEILS, SHAWLS, RIDICULES, and FANCY TRIMMINGS. Nov. 12. d6t

Wm. Wilson & Sons
HAVE received by the Margaret, from Antwerp, White and brown Platina (Cordons), 13 Hologues, Remains, Flemish Sheetings, Glass Tumbles and Decanters, German Steel, and Lined Oil. Also the Number, from Liverpool, 138 casks of Nails (all to 20d), and a few casks of 2 to 7 inch D. & Nails—all of which are on hand for sale on moderate terms. Nov. 12. d3tc6st

M. Tiernan & Co.
35 N. MARKET STREET,
HAVE received by the brig Newton, from Liverpool, 2 boxes Blacking Brize, 2 do. Flannels, 2 do. Brown and Grey Coating, 2 do. Scotch Blankets, 1 case Linen, and 1 case Cotton. Ask as usual from their former importations. A general assortment of Dry Goods and Hardware, which will be sold on their usual low terms, by the package. 1 bale Blue Cottons with Tends Sealers, 4 lbs blue Flax, 2 tons Canees, 2 do. Malaga Handkerchiefs, 2 do. Patent do, 1 case Buttons, 12 trunk Suspenders. Nov. 12. d6t

Baltimore Theatre.
TO-MORROW EVENING, November 11, Will be presented, a favorite Comedy, in 3 acts, called **The School of Reform;** OR, HOW TO RULE A HUSBAND. (Written by THOMAS MORLEY, Esq.) Author of *The Two Admirals*, &c. &c. &c. As performed last season at the Theatre-royal Covent Garden, and now performing to overflowing houses, with the most brilliant applause. To which will be added, a new Musical Farce, in two acts, called **The Waterman;** OR, THE FIRST OF AUGUST. Doors will open at half past five, and performance commence a quarter past six o'clock. Nov. 12

Baltimore County,
Ophelia's Court, October Term, 1805.
ORDERED, That Peter Pollard, administrator of Thomas McCall, deceased, give notice agreeably to law, for creditors to exhibit their claims against the estate of the said deceased; and that the same be published in the *American and Federal Gazette* for six weeks, twice a week. Test. Wm. BUCHANAN, Reg. t&f12t November 12.

This is to give Notice,
THAT the Subscriber of the city of Baltimore, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Baltimore county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of Thomas McCall, late of Baltimore county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof to the Subscriber, at or before the twelfth day of may next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 11th day of November, 1805. PETER POLLARD, Adm'r. t&f12t Nov. 12

Two Stray Cows
CAME to the Subscriber's plantation (near head of the Falls Turnpike road) sometime in August last—One a red of the middle size, with white face and some white under her belly, and appears to be about 9 years old.—The other a small Brindle, with short crooked horns, inclining much together, and is 12 years old from appearance. The above described Cows have neither ear mark nor brand. The owner or owners are desired to come, prove property, pay charges and take them away. THOMAS JOHNSON. Nov. 12. c6t

Anacrontic Society.
THE members of the Anacrontic Society are requested to attend a special meeting to be held at Bryden's Fountain Inn, on Wednesday evening next, at 6 o'clock—punctual attendance is particularly requested. Nov. 11. d3t

Sale by Auction.
THIS DAY,
The 12th instant, at 10 o'clock, at the Auction Room, at the head of Frederick-street dock, will commence the sale of
A Variety of DRY GOODS.
After which at 12 o'clock,
57 hhds. Muscovado Sugar
33 pipes 4th proof Brandy
11 do. do. do. do.
10 do. do. do. do. &c. &c.
The entire CARGO of the schooner Mary, consisting of
330 Spanish Hides
28 boxes white } SUGAR
28 do. brown }
15 tons Fustic
And at private sale,
900 bags Coffee
VAN WYCK & DORSEY, Auct'rs

Sale by Auction.
Will be added to our sale This Morning, 1 case Table Linen
1 date Hatters' Linings and Hair Plush
1 case Cloth
Also,
An Invoice of HARDWARE, (the sale of which to commence precisely at 10 o'clock,) consisting of Chisels, Gouges, Files, Saws, Hammers, Adzes, Carpenters' and Coopers' Compasses, Hatchets, Pinners, Sheers, Cork-Screws, Caulking-Irons and Scrapers, Marking Irons, &c. &c.
At 12 o'clock,
40 casks Gunpowder
20 casks Rum
VAN WYCK & DORSEY, Auct'rs.
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The fast sailing Schooner
HARMONY,
Burthen 105 tons; new, strong and tight. Albin Ellwell, master, now discharging at the upper part of Fell's Point, with a cargo, will be ready to freight or charter on Wednesday or Thursday next, for the Southward or the Northward or the West-Indies. For further particulars enquire of the Captain on board. Nov. 12. d6t

For New-York,
The fast sailing sloop MARY, DANIEL KEENEY, Master. Will sail in 6 or 8 days, has part of her cargo engaged. Will take or freight by apply to the master on board, at Bayly's wharf, or to JOSEPH SMITH, Harbor Master. Nov. 12. d6t

For New-York,
The Schooner ENTERPRIZE, Edward Conley, master. A regular trader, with fine accommodations for passengers. One half her cargo being already engaged, is expected to sail in a few days. For freight or passage apply to the master on board, at Smith's wharf, or to ISAIAH MANKIN, Harbor Master. Nov. 12. d6t

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P. A. Guestier
HAS imported in the following vessels, which he offers for sale on reasonable terms, per brig Lyon, from Bordeaux: 70 pipes Cogniac Brandy, 4th proof, first quality. Wine in casks & bottled of different growth and vintages. White wine in cases. Champagne do. Fruits preserved in brandy. Ditto pickled. Brigs 3-4. Ditto 7-8. Ditto Auvergne. Ditto Combourg. Ditto St. George. Bitannias. Wide real morlaix. Lisle Checks. Royale Linens. Shirting Flanders do. Beam Handkerchiefs. Silks of different colors and kinds. Ribbons. Silk Shawls. Also, per schooner Adeline, from St. Jago. Sixty-eight boxes white sugar. Fifty-two do. brown do. One thousand do. first quality Segers. A few tons Fustic. Also, of former importations, Real Cogniac Brandy 20 years old. Nov. 12

DANCING.
P. L. DUPORT respectfully informs his friends and the public, that his Dancing School is now open, on Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays, at half past 2 o'clock, p.m. and at half past 6 o'clock in the EVENING for Gentlemen, at Mr. Bryden's NEW ASSEMBLY ROOM, which he has engaged for the season;—for particulars please to apply at No. 104, Market-street, where he has for sale, Books of COILLIONS, and counter dances, with figures and accompaniment for the Piano Forte, of his own composition. N. B. A subscription is now opened for six preparatory assemblies. Nov. 12. TuTh54t

The Subscribers
HAVE received and offer at private sale, on liberal terms, 100 chests of Fresh Hyson Skin TEA, good quality. LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auct'rs Oct. 17. c6t