FOR THE AMERICAN. Mr. PECHIN,

THIS afternoon I was one among the astonished spectators of that remarkable lunus natura, the woman who being born black, has positively turned, " to a at viewing such a ttrange metamorphosis, is that of the apathy discovered in our learned medical faculty, our intelligent philosophers and inquisitive literati, in not viewing and endeavoring to account for such thenomena: -that is the physical. causes. All the lineage of this woman can be incontestibly proved to be blacks; & that without the interposition of disease she has progressively been changing her color without scriftla, or any other cutaneous affection. To all classes of society she is a wonderful curiosity; and as I understand she will leave this city after tomorrow evening .- I i ope that the opportunity to gratify an ardnous student, will not be omitted by our faculty, to endeavour to enlighten the mind, by opening the arcana of nature's works, at least to a number of inquisitive MEDICAL STUDENTS.

Dec. 13, 1805.

COMMUNICATION.

Mr. Pechin,

I CONCEIVE any thing that appears like extortion or imposition is interesting to the community, & it becomes the duty of every person to make it public; and as such I would notice one that is very conspicuous among a class of people to whom I would otherwise wish to give encouragement: They are the hack-drivers, who, after sun-set, think themselves licensed to extort as much money as they can probably get. A short time since having occasion for a hack at about 8 o'clock in the evening to carry three persons a distance for which the usual fare would have been 75 cents. The man thought fit to demand 2 dollars. The number of his hack I have now forgot.-The other evening, at 6 o'clock, I also had occasion for a hack to take a person a short distance, for which the common charge is 25 cents. The hackman however rudely demanded and received one dollar. The number of his hack was 71 .- The public on being acquainted with these extravagant charges, will know how to give them encouragement. Quere. Should not our corporation fix or regulate their prices, as is done in other cities? Yours, &c.

Extract of a letter from Amsterdam, dated

"The contemplated sale here of Java produce, to be delivered at Batavia, which we mentioned to you in our respects of March last, has not been effectuated, our East India Company, having ultimately taken the fixed determination of entering into no engagements whatsoever of that kind, but to leave it entirely to the management of the government in India."

Flour inspected in the town of Alexandria for the quarter ending the lith December, 1805.

33,057 barrels, 1,657 half barrels,

163 barrels Indian meal,

AMOS ALEXANDER, Flour Inspector.

We are informed by the postrider from Clarksburg, that Clemmons, who murdered his wife and children near that town, resigned himself into the hands of justice on Tuesday the 19th November.

Winchester Caz.) Hugh Holms, esq. Speaker of the House of Delegates, of Virginia, was on

Friday last elected by joint ballot, of both houses of the legislature, a judge of the general court, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the death of Joseph Jones, esquire.

M.Laughlin's Tavern,

George-Town, November 30, 1805. The citizens of George-Town met for the purpose of making arrangements for a-Dinner in honor of Captains STEPHEN DECATUR, Junior, and CHARLES STEW-

General Mason was requested to take the Chair, which he accordingly didwhen the following resolutions were immediately proposed and unanimously

agreed to-Resolved, That entertaining the highest sense of the gallant and meritorious conduct of our fellow citizens, Captains Stephen Decatur, junior, and Charles Stewart, we will, as a testimony of our gratitude for the important services they have rendered to their country, request their company to a dinner at Mr. M'Laughlin's Tavern, on Friday the 6th

day, of December next. Resolved, That the company of Lieut. Trippe, General Eaton, Captains Shaw, Chauncy and Dent, and of all the Lieutemants of Commodore. Preble's squadron, that may now be in the neighbourhood,

be also requested, - Resorved That a committee, to consist

purpose of executing the aforegoing resolutions, and of making all other necessary arrangements.

ed to act as a committee of arrangement, bulwarks of our country. on this occasion.

and four o'clock, P. M. a numerous and highly réspectable company met at Mr. M'Laughlin's Tavern. Captains Decatur and Stewart joined the company a few minutes before dinner. They were most individual who dured to attack a nation. cordially received-Dinner being announmost beautiful and delicate white"-As | ced, General Mason was requested to act this is no deception—equal to my surprise as President and Captain Walter Smith as Vice-President .- The President having taken his seat, Captain Decatur was conducted to his right-Captain Stewart to his left-Lieutenant Trippe to the left of Captain Stewart—and General Eaton to the right of Captain Decatur—The whole company then sat down to Dinner, prepared with great taste.

The following toasts, accompanied by appropriate music, were drank on the oc-

1. Our Country-May it remain the residence of Liberty, of Hospitality, and of Patriotism.

2. The President of the United States -" The moderation, the wisdom, and the firmness" displayed in his late Communication, give him new titles to the love of his country.

3. Congress—Bringing with them the sentiments of their Constituents, their will protect our rights and redress our

4. The Heads of Departments-Upright, able and vigilant.

5. The Secretary of the Navy-Who knows how to distinguish merit, and delights to reward it. 6. Commodore Preble-A head to plan

and a heart to execute.

Here thet following elegant and appropriate SONG, which had been prepared for the occasion about an hour before Dinner, by a gentleman of George-Town, was sung in a superior stile, accompanied by two clarinets, and the company joining in the Chorus. TUNE-ANACREON

When the Warrior returns from the battle afar To the Home and the Country he has noby de-

Oh! warm be the welcome to gladden his ear, And loud be the joy that his perils are ended! In the full tide of song, let his fame roll along To the feast-flowing-board let us gratefully

Where mixt with the olive the laurel shall wave, And form a bright wreath for the brow of the brave.

COLUMBIANS! a band of thy brothers behold! Who claim their reward in thy heart's warm emotion, When thy cause, when thy honor urg'd onward

the bold. In vain frown'd the descrt-in vain rag'd the

To a far distant shore—to the battle's wild They rush'd, thy fair fame and thy rights to

Then mixt with the olive the laurel shall wave And forme a bright wreath for the brow of the

In the conflict resistless, each toil they endur'd Till their foes shrunk dismay'd from the war's

And pale beam'd the Crescent, it's splendour obscur'd

By the light of the star-spangled flag of our na-

desolation;

Where each flaming star gleam'd a meteor And the turban'd heads bow'd to the terrible

Then mixt with the olive the laurel shall wave, And form a bright wreath for the brow of the

Our fathers, who stand on the summit of fame, Shall exultingly hear, of their sons, the proud story, How their young bosoms glow'd with the patriot

How they fought, how they fell, in the blaze of

How triumphant they rode o'er the wandering flood,

And stain'd the blue waters with infide How mixt with the olive the lauret did wave, And form a bright wreath for the brow of the

Then welcome the warrior return'd from fafar, To the home and the country he so nobly de-

Let the thanks due to valor now gladden his ear, And loud be the jos that his perils are entled; In the full tide of song, let his fame roll

To the fast-flowing board let us gratefully Where mixt will the olive the laurels shall wave,

And form a bright wreath for the brow of the 7. The Memory of the gallant Somers,

-who surrendered his life but not his li-8. The Memory of Lieut. Wadsworth

-the companion of Somers in life, and in death. 9. The Memory of Midshipman Israel -who, emulating, fell with Somers and

Wadsworth. 10. The memory of Lieutenant Cald-

well and Midshipman Dorsey-medest, brave and enterprising.

11. The memory of Lieutenant Decatur-he triumphed and fell.

12. Lieutenant Spence—the presence of death but stimulates the brave. 13. The 27th April—the achievements of that day—glorious in the annals of our

country! P14. Captain Hull-merit above envycourage above praise.

man Mann—they first planted the American flag on the walls of Derne. ..

16. Lieutenant Blodgett-braving death to reinstate the emblem of national ho-DOLY See Charles and Aller

15. Lieutenant O'Bannon and Midship-

17. Consul Nissen—the benevolent friend of our countrymen, in captivity. of three gentlement be appointed for the enlightened Governon of Malta.

Captains Decatur and Stewart and Lieutenant Trippe having retired.

dert and Mr. Goldsborough, were request- men whom we delight to honour-future

By the Vice President-Lieutenants Friday, December 6th, between three John Trippe and John Henly-Who will ! say that 11 Americans are not superior to 36 turban'd Turks?

General Eaton having retired.

By the President-General Eaton-the

These Gentlemen having again taken their seats at the table were severally called on by the President for their toasts, | soundings spoke sch'r Betsey, and Polly, which were accordingly given as follows:

By Captain Decatur-The citizens of hours. the United States-May the liberality, which over rates exertions, stimulate to from Amsterdam---sundries---S. Smith

By Captain Stewart--- The citizens of George Town---May they be as conspicuous in happiness as they are distinguished for liberality.

By Lieut Trippe---The Fair of George Town---as conspicuous for their beauty as beloved for their virtue.

By General Eaton---His Most Catholic Majesty---while himself a slave, let him not with impunity insult the rights of

The President having retired, the following Toast was immediately offered and drank with enthusiasm.

General Mason---The easy dignity with which he has presided on this festive occasion, bespeaks the polished gentle-

By the represent tives in the present general assembly from Cabarrus county (North Carolina) we learn that the proprictors of the Gold Mine in that county, continue to collect that precious metal, though in smaller quantities than heretofore. We learn also, that the gentleman from Maryland, who purchased a quantity of land last year at a high price, with the expectation of finding gold in it, is about to establish works upon the land, and is likely to succeed. Small pieces of gold, we are informed, have been found several miles from the place where it was first discovered.

[Raleigh, (N. C.) paper.]

Married on Tuesday evening, by the Rev. Nelson Reed, JACOB HATTIER, Esq. to Miss Anna Nonwood, third daughter of William Norwood, Esq. all of Baltimore county.

the Revd. Mr. Lewis Richards, Miss Martha Dent, of this city, to Mr. William Harrison, of James, Talbot county.

The Citizens of Baltimore Are respectfully informed that The Grand Panorama

OF THE BATTLE of LODI,

WILL POSITIVELY CLOSE ON SA-TURDAY NEXT, THE 14TH. The place of exhibition is rendered a-

greeably warm with stoves, in which fires are constantly kept. Dec. 9

Port of Baltimore.

Jeremie

Salem

ENTERED, Ship Messenger, White, Brig Eunice, Foster,

CLEARED, Ship Henrietta, Lee,

Leghorn Brig Betsy and Peggy, Low, Schr. Resolution, Bradford, Madeira Mary, Truitt, Havanna Three Friends, Harvey, Port Cavelle Harriot, Mitchell, St. Augustine

From the Merchants' Coffee-House Books. December 13.

Arrived last evening, brig Eunice, Foster, from Salem-assorted cargo.-The master. Capt. F. spoke in the bay the pilot boat Retaliation, who informed h.m that the schooner Charlotte, Black, bound from N. York to Richmond, was cast away on Marshpango shoals, three leagues to the North of Smith's island, December 7; and that the mate and 3 people took the small boat and reached the shore in safety, while the captain with two of his hands and five passengers took the long boat, with a hope of also gaining the shore, but one of their oars unfortunately breaking, they were obliged to put out to sea. They were afterwards picked up by a schooner from Richmond to New

Arrived, brig Henrietta, Darnell, 11 days from Halifax --- wines --- P. Rogers. The British packet from Falmouth sailed for New York same day.

Also, sch'r Hornet, Macy, 18 days from Nassau N. P .-- ballast --- Wm. Patterson and sons. Left there Nevember 26, ship Sampson, from Philadelphia, for Havanna, vessel and cargo condemned; Two Pollier, Cole, from Matanzas, for Philadelghia, brought in; Mercury, from Philadelphia, for Havanna, brought in ; sch'r Sally, Van Allen, from Havanna for N. York, brought in; sch'r Three Friends, Kendrick, from Port Cavannas, for Boston; Danish brig Dorothy, from Matanzas, for St. Thomas, brought in; and a ship went in as the Hornet came out, detained. In lat. 31, long. 75, spoke British ship Dunrobin Castle, from Jamaica for Norfolk, had been engaged with two French privateers, sunk one, and beat off the other. In lat. 35, 30, long. 74, spoke ship Warrington, Hinckley, from Charlesion; for Greenock; out 5 days,

Also, brig Susahhah, Cook, 30 days from Bassaterre (Guad.)-ballasi-A.

Dewces. Left 2 N. York sch'rs and one Boston schr. names unknown. The brig By the President-Captains Steven De- Ann, Vinson, of Baltimore, was at Domi-. Whereupon General Mason, Mr. Stod- catur, junior, and Charles Stewart-the | nique. The brig Sally, ---, of Baltimore, sailed from Barbados for Trinidad, about 21st Oct.

Also, brig Antelope, Gray, 25 days from Jeremie---coffee and cocoa---Join F. Kennedy. No news.

Capt. Gray, of the Antelope, sailed from Jeremie 17th ult. in co. with sch'r Betsey, Eilis, for Philadelphia, bound in, lat. 29, long. 73, all well. Dec: 3, lat. 27, ladelphia long. 72, spoke brig Pilgrim, Smita, from Savannah, sor Jamaica, crew sick. On front New-York for Havanna, out 32

Also, brig Sophia, Norman, 49 days | gilt and Buchanan. Left there Oct. 23, ship Perseverance, Swame, for New York next day; Atlantic, Russel, of Philadelphia, had been ashere but got off without material damage; brig Easterly, of Charleston. on the Pompasus; 2 Newburyport brigs to sail next day; ship Louisa, Clackner, of and for Baltimore in 5 or 6 days, (the only Baltimore vessel there.) The ship Montezuma, Dashields, of Baltimore, sailed for Lisbon 2 days before the Sophia, 4 or 5 sail of American vessels, sailed a few days before the Sophia. Accounts had been received that they had all been carried into England. In lat. 36, long. 61, spoke a new ship 5 days out from Nantucket, bound to the South seas.

Also, 3 coasting schooners. several ship-, one a Bremener.

Liverfood, Oct. 9 ... Arrived, Olive, Richards, Baltimore.

Corres, October 15 .--- Arrived, Union, Porter, Alexandria.

From Lloyd's List, October 17, Arrived at Liverpool, ship Joseph, Jameson, from Portland; Caroline, Scott, from Massachusetts; Belvidere, Hathaway, from Boston; Louisa, Miller, from Columbia; Flora, Brenthall, from New-York; Shannon, Curwen, from Battimore.

New-York, December 11. Arrived since our last,

Brig Antelope, Bowman, (as mentioned yesterday) in 51 days from Bordeaux. Sailed in co. the schooner Saucy Jack, for Salem. October 20, the Cordovan bearing E. half S. distant 28 leagues, was boarded by the British frigate l'Aigle, and informed that the day before they had captured the Spanish privateer St. Pedro, and her four prizes, which she had in company---that a Married on Tuesday evening last, by French squad: on had captured the Jamaica convoy, including the commodore-and that they were then in pursuit of the captured vessels. [Our last accounts from England, by the Ardent, to the 25th October, mentioned the arrival of part of the Jamaica sleet---The above may be correct.

Liverpool Salt.

TUST RECEIVED per schooner Matilda, captain Keen, lying in O'Donnel's-dock, about 2000 hushels Salt, which will be disposed of, on accommodating terms, if immediate application is made to

HUGH THOMPSON.

December 14 FIFTY BOXES

Fresh Muscatel Raisins, 100 do. Sampson & Co's. MOULD CAN-DLES, 4, 5 & 6 to the pound, just received per schooner Polly, Captain Smith, from Boston. Apply to

JOHN BUFFUM, . 64, Bowly's whaf December 14

Philosophical Exhibitions, AT THE

OCTAGON BUILDING, BELOW THE COURT-HOUSE, Every Saturday and Wednesday, at half past

6 o'cleck P. M. until the 25th inst. Christmas Among other operations of the most curious nature, which shall be performed THIS DAY, the SUN will be seen in its full DAZZLING SPLENDOR.

December 14

Notice.

THEREBY foreworn all persons from trusting 1 my wife, SARAH CHAMBER, on my account, for I am determined not to pay any debts of her contracting after this date, as she left my bed and board without any just cause whatever. She is a native of Ireland.

THOMAS CHAMBER. December 14 Vessel Wanted.

Apply to:

Wanted a good vessel of 6 or 700 barrels burthen, for which a cargo is ready to put on board immediately, FRANCIS JOHONNOT.

Décember 14 For Sale,

BONEYTTA,

And cargo, now on board,
consisting of 1600 barrels of The Ship Superfine FLOUR. Favourable terms will be given if immediate application is made to AMOS A WILLIAMS. Who has on hand 30 hhds. of excellent mo-

lasses, suitable for retailing. December 14 John Stickney,

Has for sale, No. 1, Pratt-street, GENERAL assortment of WINDOW GLASS and PAINTS. Also a few elegant glasses for Prints, 42 by 32 inches. Charts of the American and other coasts, day and night Spy Glasses, Compasses, &c.

Black and Bright Varnish, Spirits Turpentine, Rosin, Nests Foot, Boiled Linseed, Spermaceti and Lamp.Oil, and A few boxes Cotton Cards, from No. 5 to 10 50 boxes small Nova Scotia Herrings A few do. best Cod-fish, Mackatel, &c. on

very low terms.

Book Auction.

This Evening,

The 14th instant, at our Auction Room and Commission Store, No. 3, Light-street, next door to the Coffee-House, will be sold without reserve, a valuable collection of BOOKS, many of which are superfly benend.

ALSO, IN THE COURSE OF THE EVENING, An electrical Machine, with a variety of apparatus for philosophical experiments.

A complete Pentigraph A proof set (colored) of Birch's View of Phie

A beautiful collection of Prints in colors, &c. N. B. On this ogcasion the Books will be sold without catalogues

Part of the assurtment contains the following , Tom Jon s, by Fielding, 4 vols. 8vo. Richardson's Clarissa Harlowe, 8 vols. 8vo.

Hume's Essay, 4 vols. gilt -----History of England, 12 rols. gilt Smollet's continuation of do. 8 vols. Gibbon's Miscellaneous Works, 7 vols. gilt Clarendon's History of the Rebellion in

England, 12 vols. gilt Robertson's Charles V. 4 vols. giit

----- India Sterne's Sentimental Journey, 12mo. gilt Travels of Cyrus, gilt

Telemachus Shakespeare's Works, 9 vols. 18mo. gilt Sterne's Works, 8 vols. 18mo. gilt La Laincourt's Travels through North America, 4to. &c.

SOWER & S. COLE, Auct't. December 13.

Sale by Auction.

On WEDNESDAY,

The 18th inst. at 10 o'clock, by order of the exect cutors of the late Mr. O' Donnel, at the Rope and Chandlery Store, No. 19, Thomas-etreet, Fell's Point, will commence the sale of the whole contents of said store,

A quantity of excellent CORDAGE assorted 82 quoils of Match ROPE 12 bundles of rigging LEATHER A Cabin Stove, 2 boilers, Jack Screw, &c.

CONSISTING OF

Immediately after, at the wharf near the Fountain A SCOW AND OARS, and a number of pieces of timber, the greater part square. LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auct'rs. December 14

Sale by Auction.

On MONDAY, The 16th instant, at 11 o'clock, at the auction room at the head of Gay-street dock, will commence the sale of

DRY GOODS, Amongst which are, " 1 bale broad cloth

1 do. shawls 1 do. fancy cords, &c. &c. After which at 12 o'clock,

1 case of Dowlas

27 hhds. Muscovado Sugar 48 chests hyson skin tea 68 tierces of Rice

23 casks of excellent claret, entitled to drawback. 18 cases Martinique noyau At private sale 40,000 lbs. of Caracus Cocoa?

LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auct's. December 14

Sale by Auction. On MONDAY,

The 16th is st immediately after the sale of groceries, at half past 12 o'clock, will be sold, on O' Donnel's-wharf, on Frederick-etreet dock, by order of the executors of the late Mr. O' Don-

Two lots of LUMBER

9 to 10,000 best TILES 15 begs Paints, writing desk, chairs, &c. &c. LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auct'rs. December 14

Notice is hereby given, That on THURSDAY the 19th inst. will be sold: by Public Auction, on the premises, (weather permitting, if not on the next fair day) upon

terms that will then be made known, at 11, LL those three new two story BRICK HOUSES and lots of GROUND adjoining the estate and residence of Mr John S. HORNE, situate on Paca and Mulberry streets, one of which houses (that Mr. JACOB Moone, painter, lived in) has a garden lot attached to it, that would admit the building of a good corner house upon. There is a pump of the best water on the Premises, and the houses have good dry cellars. The New Market, through the centre of which Paca-street runs. makes this property of increasing value; greater improvements are now making in the neighborhood than in any part of Baltimore at this

LEMMON & CAMPBELL, Auctive December 14

For Sale by the Subscriber. DORDEAUX Claret in casks and boxes of D 12 and three doz. each of different vintages, and growth.

55 hhus. White Martinico Sugar, Superior in whiteness and quality, to any Havanna Sue 22 hlids, brown clayed do. also superier qua

52 boxes St. Jago Brown Sugars 68 do White do do. 30 pipes Cogniac Brandy, 4th strong proof. Fruits in Brandy

Do. pickled Olives, Carres, Anchovies, &c. assorted. An assortment of French Linens, consisting of Brins 3.4 and 7-8

Comburgs Royles, Linens Flanders, Shirting do. Bretannias Real wide Morlaix Irish Checks

Berne Handkerchiefs Silks, Shawls and Ribbons, assorted Taffettes also assorted A quantity of Lisbon Salt

The whole entitled to drawback. P. A. GUSTIER. December 14

ESTATE OF David Bowman, Esq. deceased. LL Persons having claims against the est tate of David Bowman, Esq. decomed late of Accomack county, Virginia, are requested to furnish them, duly authenticated, to the subscribers, that they may be provided for in a due course of administration, agreeably to

JOHN S. KER 12 Accomack county, Nov. 28, 1805