

bill, but the time. He thought it ought to be kept in the power of the House to the end of the session.

Mr. Alexander said he did not know whether it was in order, in this stage of the bill, to offer an amendment, with which the bill could have his hearty vote. The amendment, he considered necessary, had been alluded to by the gentleman from Virginia. So far as he had reflected on the subject he thought the period of the suspension of the bill sufficient. But he was of opinion that a suspending power should be vested in the president, in case necessity should require its exercise. He was of the same opinion last session, and had such a provision been then introduced, it would have superseded the necessity of this act.

Mr. Smilie remarked that he would not undertake to say that some other steps might not be necessary before they rose. But there was no necessity for taking any other step at present. He thought it would be improper to take any further steps at present.

The question was then taken on the passage of the bill by yeas and nays—Yeas 101—Nays 5.

YEAS—Messrs. Alexander, Alston, Anderson, Barker, Bassett, Bedinger, Betton, Bidwell, Blake, Blount, Broom, Brown, Boyle, Burwell, Butler, C. W. Campbell, J. Campbell, Caley, Chandler, Chittenden, Claiborne, Clopton, Conrad, Cook, Covington, Crowninshield, Cutts, Dana, Darby, Davenport, Dawson, Dwight, Earle, Early, Elliot, Ellis, Elmer, Ely, Eppes, Findley, Garnett, Goldborough, Goodwyn, Halfey, Hastings, Hilland, Holmes, Kelly, Kenan, Knight, Lambert, Lewis, Livingston, Lloyd, Mac Farland, Marion, Masters, Mac Creery, Merriwether, N. R. Moore, Thos. Moore, Jer. Morrow, Jno. Morrow, Mofely, Jer. Nelson, R. Nelson, Newton, Olin, Pitken, Pugh, Quincy, John Randolph, T. M. Randolph, John Rea, of Pen. John Rea, of Ten. Richards, Russell, Saily, Sammons, Sanford, Scheneman, Smilie, John Smith, S. Smith, Southard, Stanford, Stedman, Storges, Taggart, Tallmadge, Tenney, Thomas, P. R. Thompson, T. W. Thompson, Tracy, Van Cortlandt, Van Rensselaer, J. Whitehill, Wilton, Wythe and Wynns—101.

NAYS—Messrs. Green, Hamilton, Sloan, Varian and D. R. Williams—5.

### American, AND Commercial Daily Advertiser.

THURSDAY DECEMBER 18, 1806

Captain Pierce of the brig Hannah, who arrived at Boston from St. Ubes, informs, that a British fleet still continues to cruise off Lisbon. It was reported that the French had threatened war against the Portuguese if the British men of war were suffered to remain in port; and they consequently put to sea. There were some fears that the French and Spaniards would take possession of Portugal. It was not expected that any resistance would be made.

By advices just received via Havana, we are sorry to state, that on or about the 12th ult. there was a violent gale of wind at La Vera Cruz, in the bay of Mexico, in which nine vessels were wrecked, and the greater part of their crews perished—Such vessels as rode out the storm at anchor, were only saved by cutting away their masts.

#### Philadelphia paper.

The gentleman who, for the last week, has occupied most of his time in translating for us from the Dutch papers received at this office by the ship Eugenia, makes the following remarks:

It certainly appears pretty clear from the French documents, that Bonaparte has not the least ambition for any long contest with either Prussia or Russia. It is to be hoped, that the King of Prussia has not been too eager to conclude an armistice. The further Bonaparte penetrates towards South Prussia and Silesia, the more perilous his situation would become, as a large Russian force was expected to land in Mecklenburg, to act in conjunction with the Swedes.

The approach of winter, and flocking state of the roads in that country at that season, would, of course, hold out great impediments to his artillery and cavalry, and consequently it would become more difficult for him to maintain his magazines at so great a distance from home. Austria, at the same time, threatening his right flank and rear—as he might perhaps advance towards South Prussia—would, no doubt, seize a favorable moment for operating with her fine army, stationed on the frontiers of Bohemia, and resent the many insults she has received, however peaceable her professions may have lately been. Bonaparte would never venture across the river Oder.

A Hamburg paper stated, some time ago, that magazines were establishing on the banks of the Weiser, &c. for a Russian army, expected to land in Mecklenburg. [N. Y. Gazette.]

At the recommendation of the Clergy, the Corporation of this city have directed the observance of next Christmas Day, as a day of special thanksgiving and prayer. [Id.]

#### Extract of a letter from Berlin, dated 14th Oct.

The following details, furnish some further particulars respecting the late engagement, in which our ever to be lamented prince Lewis fell, while fighting for his country.

Prince Lewis commanded the van of the corps of prince Hohenlohe. The latter ordered him to march to Rudolphstadt, with 6 or 7000 men, in order to assist gen. Tauenzien, who was stationed at Hoff, to form a junction with the grand Prussian army. This the Prince accomplished on the 10th instant. On his crossing the Saal between Rudolphstadt and Saalfeld, he fell upon a corps of 5000 French troops, who wanted to dispute his passage, but were soon compelled to give way. Soon after, the whole of Bernadotte's army, consisting of 30,000 men, came up and attacked our small corps with great impetuosity, which our troops could not resist, and obliged our troops to retreat until we reached the river Saal, but not till we had withstood the superior force of the enemy for 7 hours. Our loss consists of 1500 men, and that of the enemy is more considerable. What renders our loss more afflicting, is the death of prince Louis, who displayed the greatest courage, and who received two pistol-balls through his breast, while encouraging his troops, who patiently withstood the enraged enemy with their bayonets.

Place Louis seems to have had some prediction of his fate previous to his leaving the camp, which he mentioned to his friends, and which induced him to make his will.

It is said that 60 of the enemy's chaffeurs have recently penetrated to our magazines of Naumburg, and set fire to some of them. According to accounts from Breilan, quarters have been taken there, for 80,000 Russians, besides 30,000 expected from Ralisch, in Poland.

#### Richmond, Dec. 8. Virginia Legislature.

On motion, Resolved unanimously, as a testimonial of respect for the character of our illustrious fellow-citizen, George Wythe, who to his latest moment devoted to the service of his country those pre-eminent talents and distinguished virtues, which at a most perilous crisis, were with manly firmness and incorruptible patriotism exerted to obtain for her the inestimable blessing of freedom.—That the members of this house will for one month wear a badge of mourning.

Extract from governor Gretnup's speech to the Legislature of Kentucky.

"The period of your annual meeting has arrived, and I am pleased to be able to lay, that since your last session, no political occurrence of a singular or extraordinary kind has transpired. Happy with us, the lapse of a year is marked only by the roll of seasons, and the refuting avocations of man—Instead of mingling condolence on the ravages of war, or deploring the convulsions of intrigue or faction, we have to felicitate ourselves, and we ought to feel a gratitude to the Ruler of events, that the government of America has as yet been permitted to escape those worst of evils—that she enjoys peace, and that all is tranquil.—We ought not however to forget that from foreign war or domestic inquietude, no government whatever has escaped; that appearances at present are rather inauspicious; and that our reliance in either event, under a benign Providence, may well be placed in the attachment of our citizens to their government, in their unanimity and co-operation to signally displayed in the revolution, and in a redeeming energy in the texture of the general government; upon which, as upon the rock of our political salvation, let us entirely repose.

"In viewing the aspect of things at home we find that the roll of the last season, has not been the most kindly.—The alarm excited by the long and severe drought was felt by all, and forebodings of the most unpleasant kind indulged, but thanks to an indulgent Providence, such is our enviable situation in point of soil and climate that the most forbidding faevast has no other influence upon our harvest, than to reduce habitual profusion, down to temporary economy, without imposing distress or inflicting want upon any grade of society.—Such only, I feel pleasure in saying, has been the effect of the last season in this favored land. Agriculture, commerce and manufactures seem to be in a state of silent, but perceivable progression.—Ease and contentment appear to be the most prominent traits of the general complexion; and yours, gentlemen, is the pleasing task, by legislative vigilance and ferutiny, still farther to promote this happy state of things."

An inquest was taken at Dursley, England, on the body of John Venn, aged 84 years (a pauper in the work house belonging to that parish,) who hanged himself the Saturday preceding, to the span-beam in his bed chamber. It appeared in evidence, that this unfortunate man was one of the six marines selected to shoot the late ADMIRAL BYNG, and had often been heard to say, he was sorry his ball killed him. In consequence of his deranged state of mind, the verdict was Lunacy.

Harrisburg, (Penn.) Dec. 9.—On Saturday morning last, came on the trial of James Jamison, and James Magowan, two prisoners, who were apprehended, and committed to the Jail in this Borough, in September last, for the murder of Mr. JACOB ESHELMEN. The Court continued until late on Sunday night; and on Monday morning, the Jury declared the two prisoners GUILTY of Murder of the first degree. The Judge then pronounced on the two unfortunate criminals, the awful sentence of DEATH! which they received with the utmost composure and deliberation. The day of execution, remains yet to be fixed.

#### Philadelphia, Dec. 14, 1806.

MR. RELF, Sir—I here with communicate to you a copy of my letter to the Speaker of the H. of Representatives of the U. S. for publication, in order that a subject, which has engaged some of the attention of the House may be distinctly understood.—I will only add, that the appearance of the ceiling of the Library, in which the House now sits, is really alarming. When part of the ceiling in the Senate-chamber gave way and fell down, the late General Jackson had very shortly before left his seat. His desk was broken; and had been in his place, he must inevitably have been killed. When, last year, the ceiling of the Lib-

by of the House of Representatives fell down, I was at the foot of the stairs, & in less than a minute I should have been on the spot on which it fell, where it would have been impossible to have escaped destruction. All the plastering which appeared dangerous has been pulled down. The Senate chamber has a new ceiling. The examination of which my letter speaks, took place in 1805, not in 1803 as has been in error stated in the papers.

B. Henry Latrobe.

#### Washington Dec. 4, 1809.

The Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States. Sir,—Several members of the honorable House of Representatives, having expressed their apprehensions, that from the appearance of the ceiling of the Library, now occupied by the House, there might be danger of parts of the plastering falling down, as had already occurred in the other apartments of the north wing, I beg leave to give the following statement and opinion on the subject for the information of the house.

The failure of the plastering in the north wing of the Capitol, has been owing to two causes: the laths in all the ceilings that have failed, have been too broad, and nailed so close together, that in putting on the plastering, very little could pass thro, the intervals of the laths, so as to spread and form what is called a Key on the upper side; and it has besides been laid on so thick as to break down by its own weight. I have now a piece of the ceiling of the stairs which is seven inches in thickness and much that is six inches. When the first failure occurred in 1805, in the Senate chamber; all the ceilings were examined. The ceiling of the Library could only be got at, either beneath, by the erection of a very expensive scaffold, or from above under the roof. With the assistance of a very skillful Plasterer, and the clerk of the works, this ceiling underwent a very strict examination. It was bored thro' from above in numerous places, and found to adhere closely to the laths, and to be much thinner than any other ceiling in the House; not exceeding one inch in any of the places which were bored.

It appeared also to have a very sufficient key. That this ceiling is thin is evident from the appearance of all the ceiling joists and girders thro' the plastering, by a difference of color. The cracks on the ceiling which appears so alarming, arise from the twisting and shrinking of the timbers, which, I am informed, were put up very green, and as the plasterer neglected to counter-lath them; they of course exhibit through the plastering all their fissures.

In consequence of having made the strict examination of the ceiling therefore, I have no hesitation on giving it as my opinion that it is perfectly safe. Should even the leakage of the roof occasion it to be wet in spots, the lathing has too lately been put up to give any apprehension of its being decayed, and the plastering if once dry is not softened by wet.

If, however, it should be thought requisite to do any thing by way of further satisfaction to the Members of the House it shall be immediately done—and as the situation of my family will render my absence for a short time unavoidable: Mr. Lenthall, the clerk of the works, will instantly obey any orders you may please to give him on this head.

I am, with high respect, &c. B HENRY LATROBE.

Surveyor of the Public Buildings of the U. S.

Married, on Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Glendy, Jr. Wm. D. McKim, merchant, to Miss Susan Haslet, all of this city.

Married, on Tuesday, the 9th instant, near Chambersburg, (Penn.) by the Rev. Mr. Miller, Mr. FRANCIS FORMAN, merchant of this place, to Miss ANNA-ELIZABETH IMMELL.

Capt. Walker's Norfolk Packet will sail either from Capt. Tehant's or Bowly's wharf this morning.

#### Marine Intelligence.

##### PORT OF BALTIMORE.

ENTERED, Ship Ritson, Brown, Amsterdam Brig Greenwich, Claytor, Martinique ERIG, Clyde, Games, Barbadoes

Arrived, brig Northern Liberties, Clow, 22 days from Point-Petre, Guadaloupe. The schooner Friendship, Ely, of Baltimore, sailed in company, and were both boarded by a British armed ship, capt. Cochran, and the Friendship sent to Tortola.

The schooner Peggy, Sebor, 23 days from Trinity, Martinique.

The schooner Nancy, Green, in 9 days from Norfolk.

Below, (reported last night by the Thorne pilot-boat) brig Midas, 12 days from the Ile of May; schr. Betty, Ripley, 20 days from Guadaloupe; brig James, of N. Haven, from do; schr. Apprentice-Boy, from Newbera; a Berquada sloop; a brig from Amboy, and a brig and an eastern schooner from North Carolina in the offing. Wind W. N. W. at 12 o'clock.

Also below, ship Othello, from Amsterdam. Above, at the Point of the Highlands, within the Hook, a small Virginia schooner, supposed to be the "Ann and Elizabeth, James, from Frederickburgh—and a schooner said to be the Nancy, M'Carwick, bound out.

Boston December 8. Arrived, brig Edward, Baxter, from Martinique, 30 days. Spoke November 11, lat. 23, long. 12, brig Lion, 21 days. From Baltimore, for St. Domingo. Left at Port de France, schooner Anson, of

Beverly, for Boston, in a few days; brig Harvey, New-York, 3 days. Captain B. sailed from the Vineyard with a fleet of vessels for northern ports—no vessels remaining in Old Town.

Also, ship Grace, Hills, from Amsterdam, 75 days. Left 18th of October, ships Alexandria from Norfolk; Magnet, Dart, Ambition, Devotion, Indian Queen, Walt r, all from N. York; Echo, from Norfolk; Rittenhouse, from Philadelphia; Cora, from Baltimore; the destination and time of sailing of all the preceding, uncertain; Ranger, of Baltimore for Petersburg, uncertain when Speedwell, for Philadelphia in 4 days Eugenia, do. in 5; Alonzo, of Baltimore for Lisbon, 4; Othello, N. York, 3; Asia, from Providence, arrived 12th; the Amazon discharging. Spoke, November 15, lat. 42, 20, long. 35, 30, ship Pittsburg, 25 days from H mburg for Philadelphia.

#### Alexandria, December 16.

Arrived, brig President, capt. Bell, from Turk's Island, 28 days. Sailed in company with the brig Susanna, captain Turner, of and for Philadelphia. The brig John, captain Hackett, of Newport, R. I. sailed two days before. In the President came passengers two of the crew of the schooner Montareil, captain Bichop, of Baltimore, who was cast away on the Grand Caicos, on the night of the 9th November—the crew and part of the cargo were saved.

Kingston Jam. Nov. 15.—Arrived the Petrel sloop of war, with the Spanish schr. El Flor de Mayo, from Trinidad for Carthagefa. The Petrel on the 3d off Rosario, was attacked by several Spanish gun boats, in a calm—after firing on them for upwards of 2 hours, they got into Carthagefa. The P was considerably injured in her hull and spars, and had five men killed.

Montego-Bay Nov. 22.—General Miranda arrived at Barbadoes on the 31st of Oct. where he had an interview with Ad. Cochran.

The brig Nancy, Huggins, arrived at Falmouth on Saturday last, from Philadelphia. The ship Numa, Nelson, at Rio Bueno, Mary, Evans, from R. Island, at Falmouth and at Savannah-la-Mar, John Jones, Crooksbanks, and schr three Brothers, Jeffries from N. York. At Montego Bay, schr United States, Burges from Phila.—Cleared at Montego Bay, brig Cyrus Hatten, and schr Phoebe-Ann for New-York and sloop Sincerity, Pierce, for Phila.

Kingston, Nov. 8.—The Anson brought in with her, the schr Mount Vernon, of R. Island, which she cut out of Santa Cruz.

The ship Live-Oak, Yarrell, from Norfolk arrived at P. Morant on the 29th ult.

Montego-Bay, arrived on Saturday, brig Nancy, Powers, from Norfolk; and on Sunday, brig Neptune, Abeel, 25 days from New-York. At St. Anns, on Saturday, brig Favorite, Gual, from Philadelphia. On the 4th inst. on the edge of the Gulph, fell in with the brig Sally, Wheeler, from St. Jago for New-York, which overset in a gale 5 days before. Took two men off the wreck. The captain and rest of the crew supposed to have perished.

#### DANCING.

N. BOUDET AND SON, RESPECTFULLY acquaint the Ladies and Gentlemen of Baltimore, that on FRIDAY EVENING NEXT, the 19th inst they will have a practicing BALL, at Pamphilton's Ball Room, where tickets may be had.

#### The Subscriber

HAVING commenced the FLOUR and GROCERY BUSINESS at No. 116, North Howard-street, opposite to Messrs. Isaac Phillips & Co solicits the patronage of his friends, acquaintances, and the public in general. THOMAS BAXLEY. 2aw

#### Wants a Situation,

A Young MAN, who has been brought up to the retail dry good business, and can come well recommended, wishes to be employed in a retail, wholesale, shipping house, or any other eligible situation. Enquire at this office. Dec 18 604\*

#### Came to the Subscriber's,

ABOUT the 24th of September last, a Black COW, with a white face, some white under her belly, no perceivable ear mark or brand; appears to be about six years old. The owner is desired to come, prove property, pay charges and take her away. WILLIAM PEMBERTON, Randall's Town. december 18 1aw4\*

#### Advertisement.

WAS brought before the subscriber this day December 17, 1806, a Stray MARE, by Mr. Daniel Decary, Gardner, on Federal Hill, near the powder magazine, of a dun color, with a white mane and tail, and blind of an eye; appears to be about 9 or 10 years old, and is about 13 and a half hands high, is without shoes, saddle or bridle. The owner may have her again on application to M. Decary. JOHN YOUNG, J. P. December 18 1aw4\*

#### Strayed away on the 16th

instant, a spotted brown and white COW; the principle part of her head and face white large horns, about 8 or 9 years old, has appearance of giving a good deal of milk. Whoever brings said Cow to the subscriber, living in Duke-street, Old-Town, shall receive Five Dollars Reward. JAMES JINNINGS. Dec 18 604\*

#### For Sale,

A healthy Negro MAN, about 20 years of age, who has 14 years to serve.—Apply at this Office. Dec. 18 604\*

#### Sale by Auction.

The 12th instant, at 10 o'clock, in the Forenoon, on the premises, ALL that valuable LOT and Tenements, as advertised for some time past in the American and Federal Gazette, by Mr. James Mowton. And on the evening of the same day, A large and valuable collection of European and American publications, of which catalogues may be had, and the books viewed on Thursday And on Monday, the 2d Instant, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. A variety of elegant Mahogany Furniture. And immediately after, agreeably to former advertisement, A great quantity of Dry Goods, belonging to the estate of the late Simon Donnelly, deceased. N. B. The sale of Dry Goods, will be continued by candle light. COLE & I. BONSAI, No. 174 1-2, Market-street. Dec 18

#### Sale by Auction, THIS DAY,

The 18th inst. at 10 o'clock, at the vendue warehouse, at the corner of Second and Frederick-streets, will commence the sale of

#### A Variety of Dry Goods;

And at 12 o'clock, 23 hds. Trinidad Sugar, 24 ditto Guadaloupe ditto, 37 ditto Martinique Clayed ditto, 60 boxes Havana Brown ditto, 26 hds. Guadaloupe Molasses, 20 puncheons Jamaica & Nevis Rum, 11 pipes 4th proof Cogniac Brandy, 120 bags good Coffee, 30 qr. casks first quality Lisbon Wine.

ALSO, 65 boxes Imperial, Young Hyson and Hyson Skin Tea, on a liberal credit, and without reserve. THOMAS CHASE, Auct'r.

#### Sale by Auction.

Will be added to the sale This Morning at 10 o'clock, 2 bales Tickenburgs, 1 bale fine white Flannels, 6 bales Rose and Duffin Blankets.

ALSO, 3 cases best Cut Glass, assorted for Family use, and A quantity of Waffle Irons, &c. THOMAS CHASE, Auct'r. Dec. 18

#### Bourbon and Laguiria Coffee.

THE subscriber has just received and offers for sale, 38 mats Old Bourbon COFFEE, 42 sacks } 1st quality Laguiria do. 20 barrels } Also, A few mats MOCHA, fit for immediate use, with a general assortment of GROCERIES, which he offers on the most liberal terms. WM WOODS, No. 31, Baltimore-street. dit

#### For Freight or Charter

To the West-Indies, The Schooner MASON'S DAUGHTER, Burthen 600 barrels; a very fast-sailer; only two years old, and in every respect an excellent vessel—now lying at Smith's wharf. Apply to the master on board. JOHN WILLET. Dec. 18 604\*

#### Ship Ganges.

On WEDNESDAY, The 24th instant, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Merchants' C'fer-H' will be sold at public auction for account of the concern, The fine Ship GANGES;

Burthen per register 55 tons, and stows upwards 900 tons of Goods and is remarkably fast. This ship was built in Philadelphia in 1795 by Mr. Thomas Penrose; the frame is of live oak, red cedar, &c. composition bolted and copper-fastened to the keel; she was lately completely overhauled at Amsterdam, new sheathed and coppered to the bends with 30 ounces copper; her sails, rigging, and ground tackle are in excellent order, and she is well found in every respect for an East India voyage. The credit will be 6, 9, and 12 months for approved endorsed notes. Inventory to be seen at the auction store. ANDREW BAYARD, Auct'r. Philadelphia, Dec. 15 [18] 622D1

#### 2000 Gin Cases

JUST received from Amsterdam, and for sale by Dec. 16 JAMES BIAYS. 112ts

#### Malaga Raisins & Sherry Wine.

THE subscribers have just received for sale at No. 64, Market-street, 200 boxes fresh Muscatel Raisins, 50 quarter casks Sherry Wine, 200 boxes mould and dipt Candles, first quality, 100 boxes brown Soap. JACOB & WM NORRIS. On Hand, 40 boxes fresh London Mustard, 8 dozen each, 1 hhd Irish Whiskey, 6 years old; by retail. Nov 25 2aw8

#### Land for Sale.

A PLANTATION containing 348 acres of valuable LAND, about 8 miles from Baltimore, on the Liberty Turnpike Road. About one half of said land is cleared, and the rest in woodland—of the cleared land there are about 20 acres in grass, and about 20 or 30 more of good bottom land, which may be easily put down in grass. On said farm there are erected, a good dwelling with four rooms on the lower floor and one above, with a cellar under the whole; a kitchen adjoining the dwelling; two milk houses, one dry and the other with a good well and spring in it; a meat house; a good barn; stables, shop, &c. &c. There are also two good gardens; apple and peach orchards, and a number of cherry, quince and walnut trees. The conveniences of this place are innumerable—it is near to a good market, and within a mile and a half of Messrs. Sec-camp's, Pitts and Howard's mills, and a black smith's shop. For further particulars, apply to ALEXANDER WATERS, Sen. december 10 1aw4\*

#### A Journeyman Carpenter

ONE that can come well recommended, and a good workman, will receive ready employ and reasonable wages: Apply at this office, or to HENRY INGLE, Capitol Hill, Washington City October 28 604\*