BITURDAY, OCTOBBR 31, 1807.

FOR' THE AMERICAN. Mr. Pechin,

Pursuante to promise, I have again troubled you with a few remarks on the subject of the milita lawe :

The first section of the supplement to the present law, prestribes that " zil delinquents shall be tried by a courtmartial, &c." This ciavles 1 think, is not framed on the best principles. In the first place, it is extremely troublesome; and in the second, it is a very disagreeable talk for men of feeling to fit in -judgment and aff. Is fines against a neighbor, with whom they are in daily habits of friendly Sntimacy. It moreover creates dillike, coolnels and even downright. hatred, where perfect har. smeny should inbsist; for men generally are not fond of being told of their faults, much less to pay the price of them (in money) at the option of the court-martial. I, therefore, conteive it would be much better that the fines should be established by law, and let every delinquent know his doom at once, unless he has an excuse, the legality of which alone, should be tried by a court-martial; and for the speedy collection . . . of such fines as may be levied, I would propose, Eshat-should delinquents fail to make their exscuses, either in person or by a representative, in one week from the day of muster, then the captain to give a list of their names to a constable of the county, who should be authorised to take out warrants for them, where most co ve-Mient to himself, but try them, before luch magistrates at ne; as have no military command vet the regiment, battalion or company, to which-such delinquents stall belong; and as all men have not an equal interest in defending their country, I think the poorest class [who are equally proteded by our laws] thould pay at least one dollar (and as much more as should be thought proper) for non attendance on a eaptain's multer day; and two dollars on a fil. a diy-and those who hold end-property, double thole sums, and every sheer in proportion to histank; the fines when colleded tobe ppropriated to the use of the company, in purchasing drums, fife., colors, &c. or to assist the . 100 et chaîs in precuring unitoim, under the fole direction of a committee appointed in eve

gyes of many, who never before discovered the ute of military discipline. Such a law, I appe hend, would be as great a laving of time and trouble to the militia of Mary and generally, as that of the economist, wh should tay a long grace over his hogs · when he killed them, in order to lave a repeti tion of the fame pious ceremony every day in

Ty company for that purpole. But let the fines

be what they may, I venture to predict that no

man will ever be ruised by them; and usleft

they are fuch as to compet stiendance, we iliall

never arrive at military pertection. When

leading will not do, driving becomes necessary.

As the hope of reward fweeters i200, to allo

Ty ardor; and the key of necesti y will open the

I will the fear of military fines, produce mi ita.

"The year." Americans generally are opposed to standing armies, and yet thousands will not accomom themselves to the ule of arms; not from prin-- ciple, but negizel or indolence. Car luch presumme that Providende would work a muscle in their favor, at the hour of immediate danger from shroad? -If to, I conceive they had better Montder their mutkets, for feur that their vir g sue might not have a just claim to t'at Divine protection which their necessity may require in the day of calamity.

Those of our brethren who are conscienciously scrupulous of bearing arms, and whose de-& portment n'ife corresponds with their profestions of faith, I cheerfully relign to the guar .dianship of our wife and discreet legislature However, I think they thould find us in water at -least while we fight for their property. GUSTAVUS.

NEW-YORK, October 26. Cart. Doan, who atrived here yellerday from Bilbos, informs that en the 1st of Sepiember, 45,500 French troops passed through the neighbourhood of Bilboz on their way to Portu-

The following articles are from the Rich-"mond Enquirer, on the infamous attempt to

"blast the reputation of Wilkinson Treason operates on the morals as the lepro-Sy does on the body-It taints all, corrupts all corrodes and deliroys all. As the leprofy tylciates the animal system and pollutes every "Islubrious principle of life-So treason demoralixes the heart, poisons the fountains of virtue, and extinguithes all fente of political integrity for mivate recritade.

Hard indeed is the fate of him who having resilled the lares of corruption, fees his character allassinated by the hand of the tempter, whole secudive acts he repolled

Tie following documents are f. bmitted to the reader without a comment :

Hare fellows the extract of a letter from the demleman of Veracity and bottor. Our readers will recollect its contents. It has already appeared in the papers.

Bitract of a letter from. Jonathan Thompson, to his friend in this city, dated New York,

Ogtober 6, 1807. About one o'clock P. M. of Tuesday the anh October, called on Messrs. Lang and Turmer at the office of the Newyork Gazette-Several persons being present, a few minetes elapted, Tand one or two of the persons withdrew when Mr. Thempson remarked to Mr. Lang, be wished to speak ; a. few words with him and Mr. Turner : Mr. Long called Mr. Turner, and we retired from the office to an adjoining room. Mr. Thoughon -introduced the libit quent convertation by observing-Melles. Lang and, Turner , there appeared in "your paper a few days since an or ract of a letter from Richmond respecting general Wilkinfon. Mr. Lang acknowledged it. Mr. Phompson conti wed, I am au herifed torask you the flame of the person who handed you in for publication Mr. Laug hositated, and requesed unic to det the gentlemant: Mr. Thompson fernatiked, ilai he wanted, an antwer-to that quellique light; and then had another to make : Mr. Linky asked, of sutherised by gen, Wilkin. Ionrand was anwesed in the affirmative; Mr.

Turner laid, he was of olunion than they

Liang and Turner were at liberty to give the

ing. Mr. Thompson then asked for the name. I fold the phial of laudanum to." This fame of the author of the letter, who, Lir. Lang | man has frequently tince been pointed out to me faide was Mr. Sumuel Sug twint, Roberte | Es a witness in the charges of the U. Slace Brig Betly, Burrows brother: That at the time the extract was grint Agron Burg, and by the name of Kinney. Sc. r-Meteur, Gardner, banded to him for publication, Mr. Robert | To these facts I am willing to swear, and now Swartwork fliewed them the origin l'ilefter, give them from under my fiand at flichmand, which he faid, contained other matter. After having obtained the foregoing particulars, we took our leave."

Having seen in the Newyork Gazette' and General Advettifer of ; the 24th Sept. laft, a letter from some personelated in Hickmond 17th of the same mouth, directed to his corretiendent in Newyork, wherein he describes the cir cumstances attending the attempt made by Mr. Duncan's servant to administer landannin to his master in a glass of porter; the description given by the author of the alfore letter, is is evidently calculated to mejudice Gen Wilkin. I'm in the ellimation of those who are acquaint. ed with the circumstances that I think it my duty to flate the facts as they appeared before me, who examined the servant in my character, as justice of the peace for the county of Henrico; the examination took place in the room of Mr. Duncan.

Upon being shewn the tumb'er glass which contained the mixture; it was evident that it was scrongly impregnated with laudanum.-Doctor Greenhow was called in, who give it as his opinion, that it contained a great quantity of laudanum-and two gentlemen -who lodged in the same room with Mr. Duncan, proving the attempt to have been made in their presence by the servant of Mr. Duncan, I inquired of the servant what he had to say in his desence. After some prevarication, he confessed to have been prevailed on to do it by the offers of a man who called himself Kenney, that he's id Kenney at sundry times had given him money and offered him seven handred dollars if he would effect it, which would purchase his freedom, to which he said to have consented, but that he had not put all the landamun into the glass, and produced the remaining part; which was concealed under the porch of the house under which Mr. Duncan lodged; whereupon I commi. ted him to jail, to be tried by the court of the county. He was accordingly tried in court; but Mr. Duncan baving left Richmond, and the confession of the servant before the examining magistrate, being considered by the court inadmissible testimony on his trial he was acquited-Some days after the examination of the servant before me, I was applied to by Mr. Duncan for a warrant against Kenney, but as there was no testimony, save that of the slave, I reluseri to grant a warrant.

The grand jury for the Richmond district convened about this time, and had the case of Kenney under consideration, but for the want of testimony, brought no presentment against him-

General Wilkinson was not examined before me, because not lodging in the room with Dunean but in another part of the house, he could say nothing as to the attempt made by the servant nor was he present at the examination, so that he could not say any thing as to the confession of the servant, consequently he was not called on by the court of Henrico, nor was he (as I understand by several members of the grand jury,)

called on to give testimony before them. Given under my hand this 3rd of October, 1807.

MILES SELDEN. (Signed) City of Richmond, to wit: (Signed) WM. RICHARDSON,

Some time in the month of August last I was informed by Abuer L. Duncan, Esq. of New-Orleans. (then in this city) that a few evenings before, an attempt had been made on his life, with a large quantity of lau anum, which was handed him by his own servant in a glass of Porter, after he had got into bed, and that the proportion of laudanum was so great, he discovered it before he drank. Mr. Duncan observed, his servant had .confessed the fact, and produced the laudanum, and said he had been influenced to commit the act by the alternate threats, persuasions and bribes of a man by the name of Kenney. Mr. Duncan appeared desirous of ascertaining the truth of his servant's story, and expressed his strong belief, that some of Burr's emissaries were at the bottom of the attempts; for the purpose of getting clear of his testimony.

On hearing this flatement, I received of Mr. Duncan, the Phial containing the remainder of the laudanum, and undertook to trace from whence it came, by going to the feveral apothecary Thops in this city. On making my enqui ries, I was generally informed, the landanum which I presented did not agree with that of the apothecary, for that mine was made of apple and their a of French brandy. This remark being so generally made. I was thruck with the distination, and called a second time upop those who had not made the distinction; in doing fo, I found at but one spothecary's' (Mr. Buval's) where it was admitted their laudenson to have been made with apple brandy. Od renewing my enquiries, one of the young men in the fliops remarked, that fince my fittt enquiries, he had recollected letting, but a dew evenings before, an ounce of landanum to a many rechose name he did not know, but that he had frequently feen him in company with a man whole name was Love, and fhould not know him again. Thould he fee him. At this time I had no knowledge of this Kinney, and of course could net describe bim. The grening of the they of this enquiry, I was walking down the litect be low Dod. Days Pathop, in company with cant Walback, when we had dan illitooking man, and having gone a lew steps, the called oblesved, that man was Kinney, and requested of me Handeray to Make det the Bet the Tonds gentleman to tay if the property manufact all name, Mr. Lang consected, and gave the name, ded to I Told to, and was whithing a still the

it was in Mr. Robert Swart woul's Anne wellen, observed (pointing to Kinney) I that is sho man this tenth day of QA. ou, thouland eight hundred and leven. WM. PRICE.

Cen. JAMES WILKINSON.

FREDERRCKSBURGH, Of. 27.

ANOTHER FIRE!!

Last evening about feren o'cleck, we were again alarmed by that most awful of all founds the cry Fire! Fire! It proved to be in a large Warehouse and Stable, owned by capt. Robert Lewis, fituated on the back street, about 60 yards to the westward of this office. Providentially the evening was unufually salm, and the building was confamed without any further damage. Gerard Evans, a tree man of coloui, has been committed on iulpicion of fetting the flable on fire.

American,

Commercial Daily Advertiser.

SATURDAY, O MOBER 30, 1807.

The Boston Centinel very gravely declares, that now the Danes are invaded and out up, America may be the carrier of "all the nentral commerces of the world;" that is, " if a wise and pacific policy is adopted by the United States." But as D nimark is now at war with England, and Portugal is on the eve of subjugation, we would fainenquire of the sage edi or of the Centinel what " neu ral co umerce" is left for our ships to certy? The British government says we shall not carry the property of b ligerents; that' our vessels shall not trade from one port to another of at y nation or of different nations who are enemies of G. Briam; so hat there being no neutrais, and our co merce with bell gerents bing interi die ed, we shell have no foreign trade at all, if we submit to British esti ctions. It is nisind in Major Russell thus to laugh t the disagreeable situation of his conntry, for we canno supp se him ignorant of the facts in the case when he penned his paragraph.

Beston, October 24.

From Ralifax. - A gentleman who arrived in town last evening, from Halifax, via Plymouth, and who left the former place the lith instant, informs, that the English eptem er Packet had airived there fr in England, bringing London papers to the 7th September and letters to the 9th. The i tiers mentioned that Admiral Berkely had been recalled; but that the order was counterm-nded soon after the dispatches received by the Revenge were made known; and that 6000 troops were or ered ou to Nova-Scotta. He also observes that orders had been received from England, for organi zing the militia; that several companies had been mustered previous to his leave ing Halifix; and that the people there were very averse to a war with the U. States. Two of the Jason's mutineers had been hung at her yar l-arm, and the rem inder reprieved. The Triumph and Leopard had arrived from the Capes of Virginia.

Considerable remittantes have been recently made to the U.S. from England, for the Furchale of pirch, tar. turpenine, rosin, hemp, canvas, some iron, pine boards and ipars, mailsand yards. Agrora.

MILITIA NOTICE.

The citizens enrolled in the several companies of the 27th regiment, between Charles-street, east, and South-street, west, and running northerly and southerly to the precincts, will please to take notice that a regimental muster and inspection, by order of the brigadier general, will take place, according to law, on rederat Hill, near the Observatory, on Saturday morning next, the 31st instant, when all persons, so enrolled, not appearing in their respective companies, with arms and accoutrements in good order, will be fined as the law directs.

By order of the Lieut. Col. FRANCIS FORSTER, Act. Adjut. det

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MILITIA NOTICE.

SIXTH REGIMENT.

All able bodied white male citizens, hetween the ages of eighteen and forty-five years, residing in the district allotted to the 6th regiment of Maryland Militia, (comprehending all that part of the city of Baltimore Southward of Great York street including all Fell's Point and as far Eastwardly as the city extends, and westwardly as far as Jone's Falls) will attend agreeably to the Militia Law of Maryland, a Regimental Muster to take place on Saturday next, 3 o'clock P. M. the 31st of October Inst. at the Fell's Point market house, agreeably; to the orders of the Brigadier General. Al absentees will be dealt with according to law.

By order of the cal. W.C.D. WORTHINGTON. October 29.

COLUMBIAN FOLUNTERS You will meet at the court-house on Saturday next, the 31st instant, at 3

Sulpok, P. Mein sullainisorme mich arms

nd accountements in military, other-

St. Bartholomews

Post-Office; Baltimore,

.. Detober 29, 1807. Letters for the Brilish Lacket Francis Freeling, for Falmouth direct, will lie received at this office, until 12 o'clock noon, on Monday the 2d of November next. CHARLES BURRALLS

P. S. The inland postage to New York must be paid on all letters for the packet.

Baltimore Union Greens, will meet at Aisquith's lo', on Monday next, at 'two o'clock, in complete uniform, and arms in go dorder. Six rounds of blank cartridges will be distributed.

By order of the captain. JOHN D. CRAIG, sec'ry. october 30.

Baltimore Yagers. Meet this afternoon, on Federal, Hill, in common dress, but with aims and accourrements in good order. The roll will be called at 4 o'clock, and all Absentees fined.

By order of the capit. JOHN SCHMIDT, Sec'ry. ctober 31.

Baltimore Volunteer Guards, Meet this eve in at 4 o'clock, at your usual place of parade, back of Leaman's Garden in

common dress, with arms and accoutrements complete, to adj urn from thence to Myer's Hotel, on butiness of importanc' It is requested that ach ment r will e me prepared to pay their conflitutional contributions.

R. MACKUEIN, fec'ry. O3. 31.

ORDER.

The officers and privates of the Tirst Baltimore Light Infantry company ar ordered to meet at the Pantheon on Saarray the 31st instant, 6 o'clock in the evening.

JOHN SHRIM, Capt. october 30.

Firs' Baltimore Twop. The members are requested to meet at Mr Fulton's lon at 6 o'clock this evening, on business of importance.

The exercise meeting of the Troop intend dithis week, has been declined, in co..-equence of the Trumpeter's absence from the city.

By order, W. M. MAINADIER, Sec'ry.

october ;1. 27th GRUNAD!LES-ATTENTION!

A muster of the regiment is called for on Saturday, the 31st mst. as many per sons returned by the different captains of the 27th, for Grenauiers, have delayed equipping themselves, they are requested together with those who have enrolled them selves as members of my company, and such persons as may be disposed to attach themselves to the same, to att nd a meeting on Monday ev ning next, (th 2d Nov.) at 6 o'clock, at Peck's Hetel, where asp cimen of the uniform will be exhibited and definitive arrangements entered into for the organization of the company.

JOHN CURSON SETON, Capt. october 31.

ATTENTION!

Baltimore Union Voin eers, You are request d'to attend your constitutiona, meeting on MONDAY next, at 2 o'clock precifely, (weather favorable) in full uniform, with arms and accountements in good order, furnished with fix rounds of bl.nt cartridges. The roll will be called at a quarter past a and abtentees fined.

By order of the caprain. John Whilclock, ift Sergeant. N. B. Gentlemen who have intimated a defire of becoming members of this corps, are re-

quelled to hand their names to some member with whom they are acquainted. Such of the membe s who have obtained certineates of memberthip are requested to call on

L Eutenant HASLETT. Pecuniary delinquents are requeled to some prepared.

* ATTENTION!

The 1st company of the 39th regt. are requisted to meet at Chamberlain's tavern, this evening at 5 o'clock. Punctuality is particularly requested, as business of the utmost importance will be laid before them.

> By order, JOS. M. ROBINSON, Secrry. october 31.

Land for sale by Auction. To be sold on Thursday, the 12th November next, at half past 11 o'clock, at the vendue warehouse, at the corner of Second and

Frederick streets, An excellent Grazing Farm, containing 552 3-4 acres, situate in Patapsco Neck, 9 or 10 miles from Baltimore, on the road to North Point, and on the waters of Patapaco and Back River-formerly the residence of William Lynch, decased, and will be sold pursuant to his last will. One fourth of the purchase money to be paid in six months, the residue in eighteen months and two years-Boods on interest with approved security will be required. These who wish to view the premises will please to make application to Mr. Battee.

residing thereon. THOMAS-CHASE, Add'r. 22mt N6 tl6t

Notice to all my creditors, That from being mecurity to a large amount for different people, and various losses desely, Trans under physicial hecesity of making application to Hallimere soundy court, or is the recess thereoff in seaso one of the judges,

The 23 Deciar 10 o'clock, at the auction room, at the bead of Gay street docks will confinence

A Variety of Dry Goods;

- Gun isting of The remainders of several invoices, the sales of which will positively be closed-viz. 1 bale of Broad Cloths

2 do drab Plains 2 do Blankets

do Napt Cottons

do Coatings

do Red Flannel 1 case of elegant Muslin Dresses A quantity of damaged Bed Carpets, with a variety of other goods

After which at 12 o'clock,

38 hhds. Muscova lo Sugar

33 pipes Bordeaux Brandy 30 chests Hyson Tex

32 tierces Rice, without reserve 29 bbls. of Varnish

11 do Oniona

4 hhds. Capperas

At private sale, A quantity of Sheathing Copper

R. LEMMON & CO. Auct'rs.

William Haslett,

Corner of South and Pratt-streets, HAS FOR SALE,

4400 hushels Course Salt . 123 bigs St. Domingo Cossee, entitled, to

drawback 25 tierces Rice 10 pipes Bordeaux Brandy

6 lui's. W India Rum 2 do. Country do.

2 pipes Gin Port, Madeira and Lisbon Wine, in pipes and or. casks.

9 libids. } Muscovado-Sugar.

Brimsto e, Alium, and In hogsheads and barrels. Copperas,

19 box s Mou'd and Dipt Candles,

20 do Spaniso Cigars, Imperial, Young Hyson, Southong and Bohe. Tea, in qr on sts

With a variety of other articles in the Grocery line, which he offers for sale at pleasing pr ors for cash.

Came to the sunsc iber's place about the first of August last, a red and white Cow, with two splits in the left car, with

a large white star in her forefread. MICHAEL ARMSTRONGY Living near George Beams's tavern, Middle

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To all my creditors. Notice is hereby given that I intend to make

application to Baltim re county court, or in the recess of the court, to one of the judges thereat, for the ben, fit of the insolvent law of the state of Maryland, p-ssed at November session 1805, and for the supplemen thereto passed at November session 1806.

PETER PEPPLE. net. S1

The Subscriber

Has received per the schooner Hope, from Trinidad, (Cuba) and offers for sale on accommodating terms, if immediately applied

of boxes brown & Sugars of good quali-23 do white Sty.

7 9 Ux Hides, (large) 200 sides Tanned Leather, suitable for Rig-

ging, and a quantity of Logwood. HUGH LECKY, No. 38, Fell street, Who has on hand, and will be constantly

supplied with a general assortment of Ship Chindlery and Groceries as usual. Orders from merchants, masters of vessels and others, thankfully received and punctually attended to, by leaving them as above.

2 Cents Reward. Ran away on the 28th October, from the

subscriber, living in Old Town, Union street, an apprentice boy named Jess Downs, about 7 years of:; he had on when he went away, an old hat, dark corded trowsers, and a nankeen jacket. Whoever takes up the said apprentice and delivers him to his master, shall receive the above reward, but no charges

JOHN KELLEY. oct. 31 For Freight,

To any port in the United States, The Snow MARY, Joseph Harding, master: Burthen 159 tons, and will be Tribelation and to receive a cargo in a

few days. For terms apply to PAYSON & SMITH, Who have received by said Snow and forsale, 10 pipes Botdeaux Brandy, of excellent flav sur, very strong, and entitled to drawback And by the Federal George from Boston.

82 bbls. No. 1 Beef, for saips use 5 bbls. Mackerel

8 bbls. and 15 half bbls. Salmon 6 tierces Fried Tallow 52 bundles Soal Leather; mould and dipt Candles, &c. &c.

For Petersburg & Richmond, The regular packet Schr. ENTERPRIZE, Capt. John Patterson;

Will skil on Tues lay. For passage apply to the master on boar. 1, at the head of Smith's dock.

Cod Fish and Platter Paris: The subscribers have just neceived per sloop Falmouth, captain Cook, and offer for sale; 115 tons Plaster Paris, very soft

80 boxes and 3 hhds. Cod Fish in nice or The above SLOOP

(A good staunch vessel) will take freight for Portland, or any port to eastward, on moderate terms, if specif application is made to the master on board, or to . M'FADON & WALSH.

october 15 Havanna Sugars, Must received by the brig Hising Sun, & are. College of all beral credit. 150 bereber live Havann's Sugars a