had become familiar; they heard their manaces, and expected, every moment, a destructive attack, to which they were unprepared with the means of opposing effectual resistance. In defiance, however, of our national authority, interdicting our harbors and waters to all British armed vessels, they remained within the Capes of Virginia until about the middle of October, in the habitual violation of our jurisdiction.

"The President of the U. S. at a very early period after the commencement of these aggressions, required of the Executive to organize, arm and equip and hold in readiness to take the field at a moment's warning, eleven thousand five hundred and sixty three of the militia of this Commonwealth, as our quota of a detachment of one hundred thousand called for from the U. S. and authorized the acceptance of volunteers under the acts of Congress of the 18th of April 1806, and of the 28th February 1807, the former requiring a service of six months, the latter a service of twelve months; the volunteers accepted under either, or both laws, to be considered, according to their numbers, as part of the quota required from this state. The executive lost no time in taking the necessary measures for complying with this requisition. The general returns have not yet been completed, but have real pleasure in assuring the General Assembly, from the information received, that it is believed the whole of the quota of Virginia will consist of those who have with true patriotism made to their country voluntary tenders of their services."

"I submit herewith the report of Charles Beale and Joseph Crosby, esquires, on the subject of the road directed to be opened from the upper navigation of James river to the upper navigation of Kanawha river, made in pursuance of an act of the last assembly. I also enclose a report on the same subject, made in the year 1805, by Charles Vancleve and James Anderson, junior, esquires, as being referred to by that gentlemen; together with a statement of the expenditures of public money on this account. I am sorry to observe, that it is so far embarrassingly compleated, as in its present state, to afford but few advantages. The Executive will not fail to do their duty as prescribed by the act of the last session, but the ultimate completion of the Legislature will be necessary, and their attention is invited to the subject. This road is largely necessary to the accommodation of a large portion of our fellow citizens, and to the whole, not only the communication between the navigation of the eastern and western waters of our state, but perhaps the most advantageous channel for commerce with the country of the Ohio & its tributary streams. At a time when the operation of an act of Congress is about to stop, almost the whole of the commercial intercourse with a powerful nation, from which we have heretofore drawn our principal supplies; and, when we are threatened with a war which would materially affect the whole of our foreign commerce, every circumstance that will facilitate the communication between the remote parts of our country, and promote and improve our internal navigation, merits the serious attention of the Legislature. In this view, the Dismal Swamp Canal, connecting the extensive waters of the Chesapeak Bay, with those of Albemarle Sound, will become very important object, in which the public must feel a deep interest."

"If the present unsettled state of our foreign relations ought to produce a more than ordinary attention to subjects, relating to internal navigation and domestic commerce, how much greater will be its influence in exhorting us to be prepared for defending our dearest rights against foreign aggression? In every age, and in every state of society, the maxim, that the best mode of averting war, is to be prepared to repel it, has been admitted to be the dictate of the soundest wisdom. If there could heretofore have been a doubt on this subject, that doubt will be removed forever, by the history of the present times. We might, in confirmation of this truth, refer to some late occurrences in Europe, in which we have no farther interest than to profit from the instructive lessons they afford—But we need not go beyond the limits of our own experience. We have felt that the sincerest love of peace, and the most scrupulous regard to justice, have not preserved us from the most humiliating insults and the most aggravated wrongs; and the clouds which we now see collecting in our horizon, indicate the approaching storm of War—But if we cannot avert it, let us be prepared to meet it—Supported by the consciousness of righteousness of our cause, and animated by the spirit of freemen, let us diligently cultivate every art, and provide ourselves with every means which will make that spirit formidable. The important institution of our manufactory of arms has never yet been put into that extensive operation of which it is capable—With an adequate appropriation of money by the legislature, we might annually double the number of arms heretofore manufactured;—Supplied with these in the quantities which might be by them furnished, the militia of Virginia, animated by the purest patriotism, would want nothing but the advantages of discipline, to confirm the maxim of republicanism, by affording "the proper, natural and safe defence of a free state."—And while we are referring to Europe for examples to teach the mournful necessity of a constant preparation for war, might it not be proper to enquire, by what arts, and by what system of tactics, one nation has been able to triumph over almost all others in that quarter of the globe? I suspect that the cause of her triumphs will be found to originate in the advantages derived from her military schools—Might it not be proper to enquire, how far we also, might derive advantage from similar institutions, under the patronage of the Legislature? On this important subject, I do not venture to pronounce an opinion: it is for the decision of the General Assembly."

CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Washington, December 11.

Proceedings this day.

Mr. Findley, from the committee of elections, reported on the contested election of Philip B. Key, the following resolution:

Resolved, That Philip B. Key, having the greatest number of votes, and being duly qualified by the constitution of the United States, is entitled to his seat in this house.

The debate on the passage of the bill from the senate, appropriating a sum of money for providing an additional number of gun boats, was resumed, and continued until near three o'clock. The question on its passage was then taken, and carried—ayes 111 noes 10.

Mr. Dawson, from the committee appointed on the military & naval establishments of the United States, and to whom was referred the petition of the officers of the American army praying for an augmentation of their pay, reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prayer of the petitioners is reasonable and ought to be granted—Referred to a committee of the whole house, and made the order for Monday.

The house then adjourned till Monday morning 11 o'clock.

THIRD BRIGADE.

All the officers and non-commissioned officers of this Brigade, also of the Cavalry and Artillery, who are desirous, at *this* crisis, of uniting, in a respectful and seasonable address to the President of the United States, are requested to meet at the Pantheon on the evening of *Thursday next*, at six o'clock.

JOHN MACKENHEIMER,
Lieut. Col. 5th Reg't.
JOSEPH BLAYS,
Lieut. Col. 6th Reg't
WILLIAM LOWRY,
Lieut. Col. 27th Reg't.
JAMES MOSHER,
Lieut. Col. 38th Reg't.

December 15.

Departed this life on Wednesday the 9th instant, Mr. *John Ellis*, a respectable citizen, after a long and painful illness which he bore with christian fortitude, aged sixty-two years.

PORT OF BALTIMORE.

From the Merchants' Coffee House Books.

December 13.

Arrived, Rhoades Nymph, Moreton, 26 days from Port Petre, Guad.—Sugar—Wm. Patterson and Sons.—Was boarded by the Melampus frigate and treated politely.

Brigt. Sally, Young, 11 days from Cape Francois—Coffee—the master. Left 19 sail of British vessels there, besides a number of Swedish, &c.

Schr. Nonpareil, of Baltimore, was left at the Havana by the Paragon, (mentioned in our last.

December 14.

Arrived schr. Three Sisters, Gardner, 26 days from New Orleans, to Ives, Fales & Brown.

Also, sloop Lucy, Beard, 24 days from St. Pierre, Guad. fugar and coffee, Geo. Reintzel, Briggs & Gray, new.

The brig Eliza and Sarah, Wilson, arrived at Charleston the 1st inst. and, in 6 days from Kingston, Jam. in distress, having lost her foremast, bound to this port. Capt. Wilson, off cape Antonia was boarded by the Spanish schooner Julia Ann Vengeance, capt. Encarnado, mounting one 18 and four 9 pounders, manned with 90 men, who detained capt. W. 4 days and robbed him of most of his provisions and some of his cargo.

A Clerk Wanted.

A middle-aged man, who understands accounts and will make himself generally useful in a store, will meet with an engagement during the winter month, by applying immediately to the printer.

☞ A man without a family would be preferred.

december 15 d4t

13,000 lb. first quality Gum Arabic,

For sale on good terms or barter for goods. Apply to

CHARLES VALLETTE,
No. 52, Market-street

Wanted Immediately,

A good Journeyman Confectioner. Good wages will be given. Apply as above.

Also,

An Apprentice wanted.

december 15 d3t†

BUTTER.

Just received a few firkins nice BUTTER, fit for family use.

In Store,

40 kegs in good shipping order, with a choice selection of GROCERIES—For sale by

WM. WOODS,
No. 31, Baltimore street

december 15 d1t

NOTICE.

The creditors of *I. & S. Sleeper*, (whose names are annexed to the deed of trust,) will present their accounts, stated and proved, to Mr. Peter Hoffman, Jun. Market-street, on or before the 19th instant, as we intend to make a dividend on the 21st instant.

JOSEPH OWENS, and
JAMES MOORE.

december 15 d4t

For Sale,

A NEGRO GIRL, from the country, accustomed to housework, and is sold merely for want of employment. Enquire at this office.

december 15 d4t†

Mr. Pechin,

I should never more have noticed Colonel Joshua Stevenson if it had not been for his publication in your paper of the 11th instant, wherein he boasts of accounting for a large sum of money, after having in his *petty larceny* way wronged me of my small bill. He observes in your paper of the 14th, that it would have been more to his interest to pay a scoundrel's bill than to contend with him; at that period he did not consider it his interest to pay, and as to principle he never had any. If the Col. was as ready to pay his debts as he is adroit in procuring receipts, he and myself would not have had any contention. As to the word *scoundrel*, how far it is applicable to me I leave the good citizens of Baltimore to judge, with whom I have had the honor of residing many years. But if I am rightly informed the public mind has long since attached the word *scoundrel* to the Col. in the superlative degree. If my account had been fraudulent the merits of the charges could have been as well discussed here as in the county where he resides but this did not suit the Col's purpose. With these observations I take my final leave of the Col. leaving him to the stings of his conscience (if any he has) and to the indignation of the public in general.

JOHN M. CRISMOND.

december 15 d4t†

To Rent,

And immediate possession given,

The Dwelling part of the House at present occupied by the subscriber. No. 4, N. Howard-street. CHARLES C. EGERTON.

december 10 thstu

Sale by Auction.

Will be sold to-morrow This Morning, on account of the underwriters,

25 packages damaged German Linens,

Consists of

Creas
Lis'adoes
Bielefeldt
Rouens
Platilas
Hessians
Burlaps
Dowlas, and
3 bales Paper.

VAN WYCK & DORSEY, Auct'rs.

december 15

Sale by Auction.

On WEDNESDAY NEXT,

The 16th instant, at 11 o'clock, at the late dwelling of Mr W. B. Barney, in South Gay-street, near the head of Smith's dock, will be sold, a quantity of

Household and Kitchen Furniture;

Consisting of

Beds, Bedsteads, Tables, Chairs, Sideboard, Looking Glass, China, &c &c.

VAN WYCK & DORSEY, auct'r.

december 15

Sale by Auction

Is just arrived in the brig Venus, and will be sold on Thursday, the 17th instant, at twelve o'clock, at the vendue warehouse, at the corner of Second and Frederick-streets,

129 barrels } of good quality Coffee, entitled
25 bags } to debenture.

Also, for account of the master,

76 barrels of the first quality green Coffee.

THOMAS CHASE, Auct'r.

december 15

Sale by Auction.

On FRIDAY EVENING,

The 18th, at half past 6 o'clock, will be sold at the Merchants Coffee-House, in South-street, on terms, which will then be made known,

The handsome and fast sailing Brig DOLLY,

Formerly belonging to government, mounting 15 double fortified sixes; her burthen is 172 tons, was built in Philadelphia, about four or five years since, her timbers are teak wood and mahogany. She is coppered to the bends, and has very accommodation for a vessel of war, but from her construction she may be sent to sea as a merchantman, at a very small expence, being well found, with every material.

She is now at anchor a small distance from county wharf, Fell's Point and an inventory of her materials may be seen at the counting-house of Hugh Thompson, Esq. previous to the sale.

THOMAS CHASE, Auct'r.

december 15

Robert M'Clellan

HAS commenced business in the store, No. 211, Market-street, lately occupied by Hoyland & Galt, where he is opening a large supply of Seasonable DRY GOODS, which will be sold on generous terms for cash or approved paper.

Amongst those Goods are,

London Superfine and Refined Cloaths, Broadcloaths, Plains, Coating, Fearnoughts, Flannels, Green Baize and Blankets—Nankeens, Hosiery, colored, Glazed and Cambric Muslins, Dimity, Chintz, and Calicoes, Madrass and Silk Handkerchiefs, India Muslins, &c.

december 15 d4mwthm1†

Payson and Smith

Have just received by the sloop Nancy, captain Wardwell, from Guadaloupe, and offer for sale,

14 Hhds. Muscovado Sugars, } Entitled to
61 bags fine Green Coffee. } drawback.

december 15 c6.

The Subscriber

Takes the liberty of informing his friends and customers, that he has removed from his old stand in Front street, to the Phœnix Inn, opposite Christ Church, where he continues to furnish his customers with every accommodation of the season and hopes by his attention to business to merit a share of the public patronage; and the different societies which have formerly met at the Phœnix Inn will, with pleasure, be accommodated as usual, by

The public's obedient Servant,
HENRY REESE.

december 15 d4t

New-Ark Academy.

TO THE FRIENDS OF SCIENCE!

You are invited to take notice, that the Rev. Francis Hinman, is appointed Rector of the New Ark Academy, in the state of Delaware. The School will be opened by him under the direction of the Trustees, on the first Monday of January next.

By order of the Board,
SAMUEL BARR, Sec'ry.

New-Castle, December, 10th, [15] d4t†

Baltimore County, to wit:

I hereby certify that *Jonathan Askew*, living at the farm of Elizabeth Rutter, brought before me as a trespassing stray, a bright sorrel Horse, 5 or 6 years of age, having some saddle marks on each side, shod all round, shoes about half worn, a small star in the forehead, a small sore between his neck & breast, and fourteen hands and one inch high, supposed to have been worked in gears, his two off feet white.

Given under my hand this fourteenth day of December, 1807.

JOSIAS PENNINGTON.

The owner is requested to come, prove property, pay charges, and take him away.

december 15 tuthst4t*

For sale,

A likely Negro BOY, about eleven years of age, and will be sold for a term of about 13 years. For particulars enquire of the printer. The lowest price 250 dollars.

december 15 d4t

NOTICE.

I forewarn all persons from trusting my wife ELIZABETH, as I will pay no debts of her contracting from this date, as she has left my bed and board without any provocation.

JAMES HULL, Jun.

december 15 d4t†

Sale by Auction.

THIS DAY,

The 15th inst. at 10 o'clock, at our auction room, at the head of Frederick street docks, will commence the sale of

A Variety of Dry Goods.

Also, at 12 o'clock,

42 hhds. Muscovado Sugar
15 hhds. Clayed Ditto
45 puncheons Rum (Antigua)
177 bags good Coffee
25 puncheons Jamaica Rum
8 pipes Holland Gin
25 qr. chests Young Hyson and Hyson Skin Tea
20 kegs Raisins
11 pipes 4th proof Bordeaux Brandy

Van Wyck & Dorsey, Auct'rs.

Sales by Auction—Postponed.

The sale of the Ship MERMAID,

Which was to have taken place this day, is unavoidably postponed until Thursday next, the 17th inst. when the sale will positively take place, at 11 o'clock, at Smith's wharf, on a liberal credit, for approved indorsed negotiable notes. She is 293 tons burthen, built of the best materials, only one year old, sails remarkably fast, is well found and may be sent to sea for a trifling expence. Her inventory may be seen at our auction room.

VAN WYCK & DORSEY, Auct'rs.

Dec. 11

210 kegs Yellow Butter,

Principally first quality and in good shipping order, for sale. Apply to

DANIEL LAMMOT.

december 12 d3t&stu3t

Just received and for Sale,

2500 Spanish Hides, from Laguira,
67 barrels Tanners' Oil, first quality.

ON HAND,

Red, Green, Yellow and black Morocco Skins, all kinds, Tanner's and Currier's Tools, Shoe Thread and white Writing Skins, with a general assortment of Leather.

Also,

65,000 lbs. of Green Coffee, entitled to drawback,

JAMES BOSLEY,
No 19, Water street

december 12 stu1d1t

Hugh Thompson

Has in store, and offers for sale, the following Articles:

Muscovado Sugar, of the 1st and 2d quality, in hhds. tierces and barrels
Clayed do. White and Brown, in hhds.
Havana do. do. do. in boxes
Coffee of the first quality, Green, in barrels and bags for home consumption
Do. Saint Domingo quality for exportation, 2000 bags
Carracas Cocoa
Cognac Brandy, 4th proof and fine flavor
Real Holland Gin, of 1st proof
Claret, in cases, for family use and exportation
Upland Cotton in round and square bales
Raisins, in kegs
London Particular Teneriffe Wine, in quarter casks, very fine
Ground Alum Liverpool Salt
800 Dried Hides
Logwood.

december 10 thstu6t

Joseph Usher,

At No. 229, Baltimore-street, the store lately occupied by Mr Casaut, has collected an assortment of

Wet Goods & Groceries,

Where he invites the custom of his friends and the public. He has on hand a fresh parcel of choice BACON, consisting of Hams, Shoulders, Flitches and Jowls. Also, about 2000 lb. Goshen CHEESE.

december 1 tuthstu4t†

Benjamin & George Williams,

No 3, Bowly's Wharf,

OFFER FOR SALE,

Pork, Beef, Lard and Hams, packed and cured in this city.

december 5 d3t†th&s6t†

Russia Sheetings, Russia and Ravens Duck, &c.

400 pieces Russia Sheetings,
20 pieces Russia Duck,
60 pieces Ravens do.
500 pieces Blue Nankeens,
20 tons Russia Iron,
30 boxes Tin Plates,
150 boxes Mould and Spermaceti Candles,
150 barrels Boston No. 1 and 2 Beef,
6 pipes *real* Cognac Brandy,
10 chests Hyson Tea, and
2 cases Bengal Indigo—For sale on liberal terms, by CUMB. D. WILLIAMS.

} Entitled to Drawback,

december 3 thstuth4*

George Keyser,

At the corner of Market and Liberty-streets,

HAS received by the late arrivals from Liverpool, a large and extensive assortment of QUEENSWARE, which he will sell on the lowest terms, for cash or acceptances in town. Country merchants and others will find it to their advantage to call as above. He has likewise received fifty crates of well assorted WARE, suitable for the West India market

november 23 stuth4t

For Sale,

By the subscriber, No. 6, Commerce-street,

An invoice of HARDWARE, as follows:—
Plated Saddlery,
Brass Cabinet Furniture,
Japanned Ware,
Razors, Pocket and Pen-Knives, on cards,
Curry Combs,
Pad Locks, fine and double bolted
Bright Kent Hammers,
Gilt Chains, Seals, Keys, and Pins in variety,
200 sets five and seven glass Plated Castors, various patterns,
Plated and Silver Pencil Cases,
English double cased Silver Watches.

Also,

A few packages well assorted DRY GOODS, consisting of Ginghams, Calabrias, Muslins, and Printed Cottons.

THOMAS M. POWERS.

Dealers will find the above Goods lower than they could be imported.

N. B. Liberal credit for good paper.

december 14 stuth4t†

Godfread Knecht, Cutler,

(From the principal Manufactory in Germany,)

HAS removed his Shop to second-street, opposite the centre of the Fish Market-House, north side. Razors, Scissors, Knives, Doctor's Instruments, &c. ground in the best manner; Saws filed and set; Guns, Gun & Door Locks, Coffee Mills, repaired, as well as all other kinds of repairing done on the most reasonable terms. He feels himself much obliged to those gentlemen who favor him with their work.

december 1 tuswt4

Baltimore and Reister's-town TURNPIKE ROAD.

Baltimore, November 2, 1807.

The president and managers have this day declared a half yearly Dividend of five percent on the original Stock of the Company; said Dividend will be paid to the Stockholders or to their Representatives, producing powers of attorney, or correct simple orders, at the company's office, on the 16th inst.

By order,

JOHN F. HARRIS, ec'ry.

November 3 eot5tJ

In Baltimore County Court,

October 28th, 1807.

ON application to the Judges of the said County Court, by petition in writing of *Alexander De Valcourt*, of said county, praying the benefit of the "act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors," on the terms mentioned in the said act; a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, as directed by the said act, being annexed to his petition; and the said county court being satisfied by competent testimony, that the said Alexander De Valcourt has resided the two preceding years within this state of Maryland, prior to the passage of this said act; and the said Alexander De Valcourt, at the time of presenting his petition as aforesaid, having produced to the said court, the assent in writing of so many of his creditors as have due to them the amount of two-thirds of the debts due by him at the time of passing the said act.

It is thereupon adjudged and ordered, by the said court, that the said Alexander De Valcourt (by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some one of the newspapers in the city of Baltimore every other day for three months successively, before the twenty-ninth day of March next) give notice to his creditors to appear before the said County Court, at the court house in the said county, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said 29th day of March next, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, on the said Alexander De Valcourt then and there taking the oath by the said act prescribed for delivering up his property.

Signed per order.

WM. GIBSON, Clerk.

november 24 tuths 3w

By order of the Orphans' Court

Of Baltimore County.

This is to give notice,

That the subscriber of the city of Baltimore, hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of Baltimore county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Edward Erskine*, 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 31st day of June next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this second day of December, 1807.

MARY ERSKINE, Adm'x.

December 3 ths6w†

In Baltimore County Court,

October 7th 1807.

On application to the Judges of the said County Court, by petition in writing of John Veazey, of said County, praying the benefit of the "Act for the Relief of sundry Insolvent Debtors," passed at November Session, 1805, and the supplement thereto passed at November session, 1806, on the terms mentioned in the said Act; a schedule of his property and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, as directed by the said Act, being annexed to his petition; and the said County Court being satisfied by competent testimony, that the said John Veazey, has resided the two preceding years within the State of Maryland, prior to the passage of the said Act; and the said John Veazey, at the time of presenting his petition as aforesaid, having produced to the said Court, the assent in writing, of so many of his creditors as have due to them the amount of two thirds of the debts due by him at the time of passing the said Act.

It is thereupon adjudged and ordered, by the said Court, that the said John Veazey, (by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in some one of the newspapers in the city of Baltimore, every other day for three months successively, before the twenty ninth day of March next) give notice to his creditors to appear before the said County Court, at the Court House in the said County, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said 29th day of March next, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, on the said John Veazey's then and there taking the oath by the said Act prescribed for delivering up his property.

Signed per order,

WM. GIBSON Clk.

Nov 9 eogm

Red Lion Tavern to be Rented,

The subscriber intending to remove to the city of Baltimore, (to the house formerly carried on as a Tavern by David Grant, and lately by Mr. James Bryden, known by the Fountain Inn,) offers to let the Red Lion Tavern and Farm, on the Philadelphia road, thirteen miles from Baltimore, for the residue of his lease, nearly five years. The person renting the premises may have possession of the Farm on the first of January next, and the Tavern on the first of April. For further particulars apply to

JOHN H BARNEY,
On the premises.

december 12 sw7t†

Military Stands of Colors,

DRUMS, &c

PAINTED on the shortest notice, and in the neatest manner, of which specimens may be seen at the shop of

JOHN & HUGH FINLEY,
No. 60, North Gay-street,

Who have for Sale,

Two second-hand Coaches and a Chariot two new Gigs, with a variety of Fancy Chairs Settees, Tables, Cornices, &c. on accommodating terms.

J. & H. F.

august 15 tuthsw