

Our pyviate mail left Paris yesterday about 2 o'clock, P. M. at which time no eastern mail had arrived, owing no doubt, to the badness of the weather and the highness of the waters.

THE INSTRUCTIONS.

The instructions given by the American government to their ministers sent to negotiate a peace, have been published to the world. Owing to their extreme length and a press of other matter, we have not as yet been able to publish them. We shall however, commence their publication in our next. The causes of complaint on the part of the United States might be considered as major and minor. The major questions of complaint, and the principal causes of the war were the system of blockade as adopted by the orders in council, and impressment of American seamen. The minor questions respected American vessels trading between Great Britain and her colonies—between independent nations at war with Great Britain—between a neutral nation and any of her enemies—Exciting the Indians to hostility by rewards—and some others.—On these causes of complaint, our commissioners have been instructed not to insist on a satisfaction, but a suspension. This evinces the earnest desire of our government for an accommodation. On the major grounds of complaint, the principle of blockade established by the orders in council, was not to be a sine qua non, seeing a suspension of the orders had taken place. And in the last instructions given to our ministers they were authorised to negotiate a peace without entering into any stipulations whatever on the subject of impressment, if a surrender of that point should be necessary to peace. We are not prepared to make many remarks; but this looks like giving up the ship. We feel satisfied, as we said before, that this evinces in our government an earnest desire for peace, without a view to our national degradation. The pride of Britain prevents her from stooping to our terms, and evinces in her a love of cruelty, carnage and death.

SUMMARY.

Large bodies of Austrian, Russian and Prussian troops have been sent to Tuscany, to embark for ELBA, which indicates some commotion in that quarter.

The King of Spain has prohibited the Judges from the use of torture to extort confessions. Prisons are ordered to be made so as not to injure health, and prisoners are to be set to work.

A decree against Frenchmen has been published in Arragon and Catalonia, provinces where there have been popular commotions, where some Frenchmen and their partizans have been assassinated.

It appears, by an English paper, that the U. S. brig Syren was cruising on the coast of Africa, latter end of May.

In England, at the last dates, they had just received an account of the taking of Fort Erie by the Americans.

At Halifax, Oct. 15, they had just received an account of the successful sortie in Sept. of the retreat of the British, and of the landing of Gen. Izard at Genessee.

Cochrane sailed from Halifax soon after receiving despatches from England, which perhaps apprised him of the object of Lord Hill's expedition, and directed him where to join it. Nearly all the troops have left the Chesapeake.

The Committee of Defence of the City of New-York, have officially informed the inhabitants of that place, that "they have reason to believe that city is in great danger of an attack from the enemy, and that it may reasonably be expected to take place within a few weeks."

A day of public thanksgiving has been observed at Baltimore, in commemoration of the repulse of the enemy in his attack on that city.

The States of Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New-York and Virginia, have made or are making arrangements to have a State Corps of regular troops to relieve their militia. New-York will have 20,000; Massachusetts will have 10,000. It is considered less burthensome to the people, more just and more economical, than the present system.

In the Senate of Massachusetts the Hon. Mr. Hill moved—"that a committee be appointed to enquire into the acts in relation to the occupation of a large tract of territory in the District of Maine belonging to this Commonwealth, by the enemy; to consider the expediency of expelling him therefrom—and of the most ready and effectual manner of doing it."—Which motion the Senate refused to consider, or adopt any measures relative thereto!

A fortification has been erected in Boston Harbor, and named "Fort Strong." [Would it not have been more appropriate had it been called Fort Bulwark?]

The Legislature of New-York adjourned on the 24th ult. after a session of four weeks. The principal laws passed, are,

An act to encourage privateering. An act to authorise the raising a corps of Sea Fencibles.

An act to provide for the repayment of certain sums of money, advanced by the corporation of the city of N. York, for the defence of the state and for other purposes.

An act to prevent the apprehension of British deserters.

An act to authorise the raising two regiments of men of color.

An act authorising additional pay to be made to the volunteers, and for paying the militia called into service by the state authority.

An act to aid in the apprehension of deserters from the army and navy of the U. States.

DEMANDS OF THE ENEMY.

The following Resolution passed both houses of the Legislature of New-York, UNANIMOUSLY.

Resolved, unanimously, That the House of Assembly of the State of N. York view with mingled emotions of surprise and indignation, the extravagant and disgraceful terms proposed by the British commissioners at Ghent. That however ardently they desire the restoration of peace to their country, they can never consent to receive it at the sacrifice of national honor and dignity—that they therefore strongly recommend to the National Legislature the adoption of the most vigorous and efficacious measures in the prosecution of the war, as the best means of bringing the contest to an honorable termination, and of transmitting unimpaired to their posterity their rights, liberty and independence.

NASHVILLE, Nov. 8.

A letter was received from General Jackson, on Tuesday last, dated 21st ult. Gen. Coffee had not joined him on that day, but was close by. General Taylor was a little in the rear of Gen Coffee. The route of the East Tennessee troops, lately called into service, has been changed by General Jackson. They are ordered through the Creek nation to Fort Claiborne, on the Alabama. No movement had been made by Gen. Jackson since the last accounts heretofore published.

Extract of a letter from Maj. Gen. A. Jackson, to Capt. Rapier, dated Head-Quarters, 7th Military District, Mobile, October 17, 1814.

SIR—I have just learned that Gen. Coffee, with the Volunteers, will reach me in a few days. Their patriotism, in this all-important crisis, has justly entitled them to be hoisted, as the first of Patriots in the union, and will immortalize the state. They have set a fit and proper example to the sister states of the Union; and if followed by them will soon make us respectable abroad, the tyrants of England shudder, and obtain for us an honorable peace in a short time.

As soon as Gen. Coffee reaches me I will be in motion, and I trust with the smiles of Heaven, to be able to give security to this section of the country in a short time.

Copy of a letter from Captain Porter to the Secretary of the Navy, dated New York, Oct. 29, 1814.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that the United States' Fulton the First, was this morning safely launched. No one has yet ventured to suggest an improvement that could be made in this vessel, and to use the words of the projector, "I would not alter her were it in my power to do so." She promises fair to meet our most sanguine expectations, I do not despair of being able to navigate in her from one extreme of our coast to the other. Her buoyancy astonishes every one; she now only draws eight feet water; and her draft will be only ten feet with all the guns machinery, stores and crew on board; the ease with which she can now be towed with a single steam boat, renders it certain that her velocity will be sufficiently great to answer any purpose, and the manner in it is intended to secure her machinery from the gunner's shot leaves no apprehension for its safety. I shall use every exertion to prepare her for immediate service; her guns will soon be mounted, and I am assured by Mr. Fulton that her machinery will be in operation in about six weeks.

I have the honor to be, with great respect, your obedient servant. D. PORTER.

The Hon. Wm. Jones, Secretary of the Navy.

IMPORTANT ARRIVAL.

Arrived at Newport, R. I. Schooner Capt. from Macoe, (China) with Teas, consigned to the Captain, who is owner. We find she went to China from Rio Janeiro, and as it was supposed she would return there, she brought no letters for America. A gentleman who arrived in the stage on Friday evening conversed with an American captain passenger in the vessel, and was informed by him that his, and all the other American ships were hauled up waiting for a peace; that the British had such a force

there and kept so vigilant a look out that no American vessel could get out. A small pilot boat built schooner, bound on a sealing voyage, arrived at Canton from America a few days previous to the departure of this vessel—it was supposed she could not get out there, as several American vessels bound to the North West Coast had been waiting some months for an opportunity to sail, but dare not.

The crews of the American vessels that were waiting there for a peace, had been discharged, and had entered on board British and neutral vessels. The English China fleet sailed from Canton in February, but was not, as was expected, accompanied by the whole British force; so that the Americans had despaired of getting their property out during the war.

Boston, October 27.

A gentleman arrived in last night's Eastern Mail Stage, who left Castine on Monday, when a brig of war, with 4 transports under convoy, were coming in, supposed to be from Halifax. The Landrail cutter, which left Halifax on the 17th inst. arrived same day, a passenger said there was no news. She brought orders for a heavy duty on imports to be laid. The Leander, after taking in water, &c. at Castine, sailed again for Boston bay.

The Harper brought in about sixty packages of dry goods, and between 60 and 70 prisoners, including, it is said, several officers. The vessels were captured between Newfoundland and Halifax. The ships are said to be transports.

Schr. Dolphin, Thompson, hence for Bath, in ballast, has been captured in Well's Bay and sent to Halifax.—She was taken on her passage up, and ransomed.

RICH PRIZE.—The British ship James, prize to the privateer Portsmouth, arrived at P. on Wednesday morning—captured 21 days previous. She has a cargo of dry goods, wine, gin, rum, &c. together with 30 bbls. gunpowder, and clothing for the soldiers in Canada. Her cargo, when she left England, was invoiced at 100,000 pounds sterling, (about 445 thousand dollars) a part of which was taken out by the privateer, and brought in. The James has spoken nothing since her capture, and seen no cruizers. She is unquestionably the richest prize which has been brought in since the commencement of hostilities.

The James is 290 tons, and has a quantity of tea and hard ware in.—Capts. Manning and Hopkins are prize masters.

MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE.

Boston, Oct. 24.

Previous to the close of the extra session, which took place on Thursday last, several acts were passed relative to defensive measures. It is provided, by one of these acts, that his excellency the governor shall have power to raise by enlistments, an army not exceeding 10,000 men, to consist of ten regiments of infantry, and two of artillery, to be commissioned and clothed agreeably to his direction. The pay, rations, clothing and emoluments of these troops are to be the same as those of the United States army. Another act was also passed, authorising the governor to appoint a board of commissioners on military accounts; it is to consist of three persons with a secretary and necessary clerks; to this act is subjoined an additional one, providing for the further appointment of two other commissioners, the whole of whom are to constitute a board of war, for a regular and prompt discharge of the duties necessarily belonging to such a commission.

MARRIED.—On Sunday, 13th inst. by the Rev. Wm. L. Vaughn, Mr. JOHN ALDRIDGE, to Mrs. MARY JANE LONE, both of this County.

On Tuesday evening last, by the same, Mr. CHARLES CLARKE, of this place, to Miss BETSEY CALLAWAY, daughter of Mr. Edmund Callaway, of this County.

Take Notice.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform his friends, that having dissolved the late partnership, is bound to close all his accounts as quick as possible—therefore sincerely hopes he will not be compelled to take measures that will be very disagreeable, to enforce payment. All reasonable men will be readily convinced that once a year at least, their accounts ought to be closed. And the subscriber takes this opportunity of returning his sincere thanks to his former friends and customers, for the liberal support he has received from them ever since his commencement in business.

Mr. WILLIAM N. LANE and the subscriber having purchased out the present stock of Goods on hand, offers them for sale as usual, at the old stand. Whiskey, Feathers and Tow Linen received in payment at cash price. GEORGE G. TAYLOR.

Nov 19 16--tf

APPRENTICES.

TWO APPRENTICES to the Printing Business would be taken at this Office. Nov 19

NEW GOODS.

CAST & HOLLY,

HAVE just received, and are now opening, in the house formerly occupied by AMON CAST, a large and elegant assortment of MERCHANDISE, consisting (in part) of the following articles—viz:

- Superfine Cloths, blue, black and green; Fine do. various colors; Cassimeers & Cassinets; Velvets and Corduroys; Coatings, Blankets, Flannels, red, yellow and white; Toilets & Swansdown Vesting; Fancy Vesting; Superfine Marcellis; Black Florence, Mantua, Levantine, Lutestring & Satins; Leno, Jacket & camb. Muslins; Coarse Muslin; Linen Cambric; Pocket Handkerchiefs; Cotton Sieves, Pinknot Sleeves, White kid Gloves, long and short; Beaver do; Long silk do; Short silk do; Ribbands; Silk & Cotton Laces; Silk Cords and Chintz; Ridicules, Suspenders, Irish Linen, Cotton Hose, Black worsted do; Green, black and figured Bombazett; India & domestic Checks, Calicoes, Furniture do.

GROCERIES—viz.

- Imperial and Hyson Tea, Coffee, Madeira Wine, Brandy, Rum, Bounce, Indigo and Madder, Allum, Alspice, Pepper, Ginger, Arronita, Chocolate, Rosin, Copperas, Coffee Mills, Spanish and Domestic Cigars, Chewing Tobacco, Iron, Steel & Castings, Lead, Cotton, Whiskey, by the barrel or gallon.

Also, a variety of other articles, too tedious to mention—All of which they will sell low for cash.

All those indebted to AMON CAST, are requested to come forward and make immediate payment. Nov. 19. 16--3m

FOR SALE,

THE tract of LAND whereon I now live, lying on Todd's road from Winchester to Lexington, six miles from the former and twelve from the latter, adjoining Major John Martin and Hubbard Taylor, Esq. containing 150 acres, first rate, indisputable title, lays well, and excellent water, a young apple orchard and comfortable house; about 50 acre-tillable and 50 inclosed for pasture. For terms apply to JOSHUA NICHOLAS, Clark County, Oct. 29

LAND

I WISH to sell a tract of LAND, lying on the road leading from Conb's Ferry on Paris, and between Strode and Todd's roads, leading from Winchester to Lexington, and adjoining Hubbard Taylor, Esq. Maj. Brassefield and Capt. Colby H. Taylor. The purchaser can have from 120 to 270 acres. Lays well, tolerable water, good title, apple and peach orchards, pastures and meadow—60 or 70 acres cleared. For terms apply to JOHN W. HINDE, Clarke County. Oct 29 13--3w

CLARK & PELHAM,

AFTER returning their thanks to the public for that share of patronage which they have received, give information that they have sold off their stock of Goods on hand, for the purpose of procuring a fresh supply. They earnestly request those indebted to them by Note or otherwise, to call and settle their respective accounts as soon as possible. As the nature of their present situation requires punctuality, they hope that they will not be disappointed. Nov 5 14

Notice.

THE subscribers request all those indebted to the estate of JAMES M'DONALD, deceased, to come forward and make immediate payment, as longer indulgence cannot be given.—Those having demands against said estate will please present their accounts properly authenticated for settlement. ELIZABETH M'DONALD, JOHN M'DONALD, GEORGE M'DONALD, Administrators. Nov 19 16--2w\*

BOOT & SHOE MAKING BUSINESS.

Linville M Brinegar,

MOST respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he still continues to carry on the BOOT & SHOE MAKING BUSINESS in his former stand, where any article in his line of business, made in the neatest manner, and of the best materials, may be had on the shortest notice and most reasonable terms, for cash only, as no credit will in future be given.

All those indebted to him either by note or otherwise, are most earnestly solicited to come forward immediately and discharge their respective accounts, and hereby save trouble and perhaps cost. Nov 19 16--8w

Notice.

THE subscriber respectfully informs all those that have any demands against him to bring their accounts forward on or before the 4th day of next month, and they will be settled; and all those that are indebted either by note or book account, are earnestly requested to come forward and make immediate payment, so as it may be in his power to meet his demands—and they will oblige their humble servant. FREDERICK MERCKLEY.

N. B. The subscriber expects to leave the County by that time, and would wish all persons to be punctual. Mountserling, Nov. 19 16--tf

Last Notice.

ALL those indebted to the late firm of BROWNING & CO. will do well to call and settle their accounts before the 25th of next month—After that date they will be put into the hands of proper officers for collection. Nov 19 16--3w

Last Notice.

ALL those indebted to the subscriber either by note or book account are requested to call and make payment immediately, as he intends after the 25th of December next, to put all his accounts into the hands of proper officers for collection. SAMUEL POSTON. Nov 19 16--3w

NOTICE.

THERE will be exposed for public sale on Thursday the 1st day of December next, at the late dwelling-house of MARY STRODE, deceased, near Winchester, all the Estate of said deceased, consisting of Horses, Cattle, Sheep, fat and stock Hogs, Corn, Hay, Farming Utensils, Wagon, &c. household and kitchen Furniture. Twelve months credit by bond and security Attendance expected to be given by me, who am requested to administer. JOHN STRODE. Nov. 19 16--2w\*

FOR SALE,

A SMALL FARM, containing sixty-one acres, well improved, situated on the road leading from Winchester to Estill Court House, and three miles from the former place. For further particulars enquire of ROBERT GRIFING, Esq. in Winchester, or the subscriber in Versailles. MARTHA THOMAS. Nov 19 16--8w

NOTICE.

THE subscriber would inform his friends and the public in general, that he has Removed to his old stand, opposite the market-house, and intends continuing in the same line as formerly, and will endeavor to accommodate all who may think proper to call on him. The subscriber has a NEGRO WOMAN that he wishes to exchange for Whiskey, Cyder and Flour. WALTER KARRICK. Nov 19 16--tf

I have for sale.

A CORNER LOT, in the town of Winchester, Clark County, adjoining the Tanyard of J. & Thomas T. Darr, containing a full quarter of an acre, under good fence, having on it a hewed Log House, 18 by 24, with a shingled roof and brick chimney, also a convenient Log Kitchen. The above property I will sell low for cash—or I will exchange it for a small farm in the country. WILLIAM JAMISON. Nov 5 14

To Rent.

A SHOP, on the main street, Winchester, suitable for a Grocery.—Enquire at this office. Nov 19

Constables' Replevin Bonds

FOR SALE at the Office of the Winchester Advertiser. Also BLANK WARRANTS.