emy, requires that the said return and letter should be published.

To the Clergyman belonging to the Chapel at St. Inigoes, and the other residents there, to whom this letter refers.

Gentlemen—An officer and boat's crew, belonging to H B.M. S. Saracen* under my command, having landed at St. Inigoes on the 30th ult. and taken several articles of furniture, and other things from the houses and Chapel there; and such proceedings being unauthorised by me, I have taken the earliest opportunity of causing restoration to be made of the property so taken; and now send one of my lieuts. with this letter, and the property above mentioned, to you in a flag of truce; hoping this instance of justice will efface every prejudicial sentiment towards the British from your minds, and that the injured parties will express their satisfaction at our present conduct in this matter.

I beg you to believe, gentlemen, it is matter of great regret to me, that the proceeding complained of, should have been performed by those under my command, and with sentiments of consideration, I am, gentlemen your very obedient servt.

ALEX. DIXIE, Capt.

H. M. S. Saracen,
off George's Island, 18th Nov.

*In the former publication, a mistake was made in stating that it was the brig Jason capt. Watts.

BOSTON, Dec. 22.

A gentleman arrived at Castine on Friday, from Halifax, by land, which place he left on the 6th, and informs that the Nov packet had arrived with accounts of Sir G. Prevost's recall, but it was not known who succeeded him—A fleet of ten sail, under convoy of the Leander and a sloop of war sailed for Castine on the 2d. Not one of them had, however, arrived at the above date. Some apprehensions for their safety were felt, as there had been a very heavy gale at SE.

NEW YORK, Dec 24.

We understand that the corporation passed a resolution yesterday, to loan the U. States $400,000, to pay the militia who were stationed in this city and its vicinity last fall.

The New England Convention, sitting with closed doors, suffers nothing of its proceedings to transpire. It is presumed that they act with much caution and deliberation; and it is *guessed* (which in N. England is pretty well understood) that the Connecticut delegates differ from the Massachusetts representation. This is as we expected from the character of the former, who were probably selected with a view to prevent as well as promote political mischeif. The Connecticut delegates were appointed to co-operate in measures "not inconsistent with their obligations to the general government." Careful, prudent and 'law honest,' in all things, nothing very rash, illegal or unconstitutional, is to be apprehended from them. And the Boston fire will doubtless be neutralized into smoke in the result; or as the Boston wits would express it of southern politicians, into an emission of "proclamations."—*Col.*

COL. TOWSON.

The modest and unassuming talents and merits of this firm and gallant officer have been duly appreciated, (we are happy to learn below) by the citizens of all parties in Buffalo, the near and competent witnesses of his numerous and important services. The following is from our correspondent.

BUFFALO, Dec. 6

As col. TOWSON was about leaving this for the interior, the citizens, through their committee, presented him the following address and a superb sword. The subjoined is his reply. Without disparagement to others, it could not escape observation that no one's departure from this frontier ever excited so much sensibility His going was not known to the citizens until late on the evening before; yet they assembled next morning before their usual time of rising—all anxious once more to see the *hero* by all admired.—*Ib.*

[COPY OF ADDRESS.]

BUFFALO, Dec. 6.

SIR—In behalf of the citizens of this place we present you with a sword, as a small token of the high sense we entertain for your uniform bravery on this frontier; and also for your civility to, and respect for, the rights of the citizen. That your future life may be as happy as the past has been useful, is the fervent prayer of their committee

Oliver Forword,	Benjamin Coryel,
Charles T.	Samuel Tupper,
E. Walden,	Eli Hart,
J. Harrison,	Ebenezer Johnston,

[COPY OF REPLY.]

GENTLEMEN.—Your approbation of my conduct on his frontier, accompanied with the flattering reward of a sword, excites my strongest sensibility. If a soldier has made arms his profession from correct motives this cannot but be highly gratifying.

To respect and protect the rights of citizens is the duty of the army; and I hope it does not contain a solitary officer, so lost to a sense of duty and honorable feeling, as to authorise or connive at any outrage on either their persons or property.

Pending the siege of Fort Erie I received many valuable presents of vegetables from the patriotic citizens of Buffalo and its vicinity, for my company and self. I avail myself of the present opportunity to tender to them, through you my grateful acknowledgements for the former instances of their friendship.

I am, gentlemen, with the highest respect your obedient servant, N. TOWSON.

Mess. Samuel Tupper, &c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.

We are indebted to a respectable gentleman, recently from the West Indies, for the subsequent information:—

Amongst the French forces arrived in the West Indies, at the Islands of Guadaloupe and Martinique (which Islands were surrendered to France about the eight of November) are two divisions of the French army, destined for the conquest of the Island of St. Domingo; which it is said will be undertaken in the spring, provided the agents of that government, who are come out to ascertain the disposition of the chiefs of Hayti relative to a pacification with France, shall conceive such a conquest practicable—in the event of the said chiefs not agreeing to place themselves and subjects under the mild and friendly protection of France. One of the French generals, commanding in the expedition, left Guadaloupe about the first of November last, for Jamaica—the object of his visit to that Island, was understood to be for the purpose of consulting the governor general, and making the necessary arrangements preparatory to carrying offensive measures into execution, should such be deemed necessary, in promoting the interest of France.

The two chiefs of St. Domingo, Christophe and Petion, have, for a considerable time past, been apprised of the intention of the French government, and the more effectually to resist the common enemy, (France) have entered into a coalition, and formed a treaty offensive and defensive, by which they jointly obligate themselves, that should France attempt a reduction of any part of their possessions, each shall call out the whole of his physical forces, and unite in resisting the enemy to the utmost of their ability.

But to prevent the effusion of human blood, they (Christophe and Petion) are desires of coming on amicable terms with France—And do agree, that should she relinquish the intention of subjugating Hayti, that they will grant to France the exclusive trade of said island, (so far as they at present possess) interdicting the same to every other nation, except in such articles of necessity, as France cannot supply.

That French merchants will be permitted to reside and settle amongst them: subject, nevertheless, to the laws of the territory under which they may live. That their persons and property will, at all times, be respected and protected.

The chiefs of Hayti have agreed, in case France persists in the invasion of their dominions, to *burn, lay waste, and destroy every city, town, fortification*, and place, they, by force of arms, may be compelled to retreat from, and finally to take refuge in the mountains.

Christophe has observed, "that it must cost France much money (not to mention lives) before she can accomplish the destruction and capture of his possessions." "If," said he, "she is bent on this, let her give me one half the sum such preparations will cost, and I'll save her the loss of many valuable men and much trouble—for if she comes me, I have determined on destroying every habitable place within my dominions, rather than they should fall into her hands."

AMERICAN
AND
Commercial Daily Advertiser

BALTIMORE: *Tuesday, Dec. 27*

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

It is a circumstance which must have been noticed by all who read newspapers that during the suspension of commerce caused by the existing state of war, the number as well as the value of advertisements, has been much reduced, and thus one principal source of support to the publisher is in a great measure withdrawn.—At the same time that the emoluments are thus lessened, the expense, particularly in the price of paper is considerably increased; and, it is a fact that the amount of yearly subscriptions received at the present rate are not an adequate compensation for the expenses incurred in the publication of the several newspapers printed in this city.

These considerations have made it necessary to raise the rate of subscription for our respective papers, after the expiration of the present month, to all such subscribers as shall not have paid in advance at the present rates before that time, and to all who shall so have paid, after the expiration of the time for which they shall have paid in advance.

On the first day of January next the rate of subscription for the daily paper will be *Ten Dollars*, per annum and for the country paper published three times a week *Six Dollars*.

Subscribers for a shorter term than one year will be required to pay in advance at the rate of *One Dollar* per month for the daily and *Sixty Cents* for the country paper.

That our country subscribers may have an equal opportunity with those in the city to profit by the payment in advance at the present rates, such payment will be received from them if forwarded within a month from the present date. Our subscribers will thus have it in their power by paying in advance, which, to each individual will be of trifling importance, and is in fact, only a strict compliance with the known terms of subscription, to postpone the increase of price for one whole year; while the collective amount, *promptly received*, would compensate the editors in a great degree for the difference in the sum to be received on a long postponed payment.

Wm. Gwynn, of the Federal Gazette.
Wm. Pechin & G. Dobbin & Murphy, of the American.
Munroe & French, of the Patriot.
Allen & Hill, of the Telegraph.

Delinquent Country Subscribers

Will, we hope, pay proper respect to a notice addressed to them a few days since. The enhanced price of every thing connected with our business, tax on paper, and the consequent further advance in its cost, will render it necessary to adhere to the determination we then formed to strike off all those who do not forward arrearages.

Such as were subscribers to the "Whig" who are in arrears are informed that the Editors of the "American" are only authorised to receive what may be due from the first of July last—they are not willing to receive any monies due to the "Whig" before that period; such accounts must be adjusted with the former proprietors.

Editors of the American.

Some of the federal prints have censured the American commissioners at Ghent for having intimated that this government never expressed or entertained an intention to conquer Canada with a view to its annexation to the United States; and they have produced newspaper authority to prove that the assertion of our commissioners was incorrect. We think that any administration must always have sins enough of its own to answer for, without being made responsible for all the opinions and declarations published in the National Intelligencer or other newspapers.—How, for example, would Mr. Rufus King like to be answerable for the absurd and treasonable publications in the Boston federal newspapers? The edea is preposterous. The declarations of the government alone can be taken, at home or abroad, for its views.—They have never, in any form, said that they intended to conquer with a view to annex Canada to the United States. We do not find a word on the subject in any of the instructions to our commissioners. Whatever, therefore, may have been the wishes, the hopes, or the belief of the republicans generally, it is very certain that the declaration of our commissioners was strictly true. The truth of the matter, we believe, is, that the administration intended to occupy Canada, solely with a view to hold it till a peace took place to secure indemnity for the *unlawful* spoliations committed by Britain, before the war, on our commerce, and to enable them to coerce the acknowledgment of our equal maritime rights, and an exemption from impressment. If the people of Canada are opposed to their becoming an independent nation, or to a union with these states, it would never enter into the head of an American administration to hold them in chains.

COMMUNICATION.

Col. Mitchell, we are happy to learn, after an absence of more than two years, in the service of his country, has again returned on a visit to his native state, and it affords us much pleasure to understand, that General Scott has appointed him to take the command of this post in his absence. Colonel Mitchell has by great diligence and attention made himself perfect master of his profession; has on several occasions rendered important services to the U. States, and his gallant defence of Fort Oswego with a mere handful of men against a most powerful land and naval force of the enemy, will never be forgotton. He adds to a good share of talents and an excellent education great diligence and attention to business and has become, it is said, one of the most experienced officers in the army. He is, beside all this, an inflexible lover of his country. E

FIRE.—A gentleman who passed the country seat of Henry Nichols, Esq. near this city, about noon to-day, brings the distressing intelligence that his elegant dwelling house was enveloped in flames, the fire had so far progressed as to preclude the hope of saving it from total destruction.

Fed. Gaz.

The Bank bill is in progress through the House of Representatives. It would require a Daniel to predict its ultimate fate. It is earnestly opposed, and warmly advocated by a few of the members of the House, though it appears to us some view its progress with an indifference which the magnitude of the subject ought to awake into a livelier sentiment.

Nat. Intel.

The committee appointed to enquire into the nature and advantages of Chambers's repeating guns and the expediency of employing them in the service of this state:

REPORT:

That in order fully to investigate the subject referred to them, they have had much personal intercourse with the inventor, have carefully examined and tried the guns themselves and have obtained the testimony of distinguished officers both in the army and navy, in favor of their efficacy.—The committee abstain, for obvious reasons, from any public explanation of the construction of these arms—the result, however, of their enquiry is a decided conviction that the invention is of the highest importance, not merely from its destructive powers but as occasioning a great saving both of men and money and that it is particularly entitled to the attention of the legislature as the production of a citizen of Pennsylvania—they therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Governor of this Commonwealth be and he is hereby authorised to contract with Joseph G. Chambers for the supply of fifty of his newly invented repeating swivels of 224 shots each with ten carriages and a complete apparatus of moulds, rods and implements adapted to field service—and also contract with the said Joseph G. Chambers for the alteration of five hundred muskets belonging to his State, in such manner as to fit them to discharge twelve shots each—*Provided*, that the price of each swivel and its apparatus shall not exceed $156—of each carriage for five swivels $150—and the alteration of each musket with the rod and charger $4 12 1-2 cents to be delivered into the arsenal of this state and paid on delivery, on a warrant drawn on the treasurer.

Dem. Press.

Married on Sunday night the 25th inst. by the Rev Mr. Griffith, Mr. EDWARD H. COURSEY, to Miss WINEFRED ALLEN both of this City.

AMERICAN MARINE LIST.

From the Coffee House Books.

Accounts from Norfolk to the 21st, received this afternoon state, that two 74's and five frigates went to sea on the 20th—they were steering SE. when last seen.

—Arrived at ———, letter of marque sch. Hollins, Stocket, of *Balt* in 20 days fr. St. Bartholomews, with a full cargo of rum, molasses and goat skins, to Stevenson & Goodwin. The sch. Sylph, sailed 2 days previous. In her outward voyage, the Hollins captured and sunk the British sch. Ben-Bovel. Dec. 5, captured a sloop from Carracco, took out a few articles and gave her up. Flour at St Barts, sixteen dollars.

The letter of marque schr. Highflyer, of Philad. was captured about 6 weeks since, the day after parting co. with the Burrows, by the Barrosa frigate, the crew and passengers landed at Barbadoes.

Capt. Stocket of the Hollins, informs, that it was reported at St. Barts, that an expedition consisting of about 24 sail had sailed from Barbadoes for New Orleans. He also states, that none of the Islands were to be given up to the French till the result of the congress at Vienna was known.

Boston, Dec. 22. The good old frigate CONSTITUTION, *Charles Stewart*, Esq. commander, sailed from this port on Saturday last well officered, and with a fine crew—She discharged her pilot at sunset about a league without the light house, with a fair wind; she steered due East.

Five waggon loads of goods from the prize of the privateer Cadet, which arrived at the Eastward, came to Salem on Monday, being about half her cargo; the rest are on the road. These goods are not yet libelled.

Charleston Dec. 19.—Ar. schr. Nonsuch, Howren, Elizabeth City 16 days, and 1 day from Georgetown, tobacco flax &c. To J. M. Hopkins, M'Farlane, Wheeler & Co. and the Master.

Schr. Mohawk, Jackson, Elizabeth City 10 days, tobacco.

Sloop Farmer's Branch, Pheasant, New York 11 days. Was chased for 6 hours off Cape Hatteras by a man-of-war brig; and on Saturday last, off Bull's Bay, was chased again by another brig; saw her in the offing yesterday, when coming in.

Packet Boat Rising Sun and Nancy, 2 days from Savanuah.

Extract of a letter, dated Savannah, 15th It is reported the enemy have now a larger force on this coast than they ever had before, it is said 7 square rigged vessels besides some schooners. Their barges stay in the Sounds day and night; have made camps, and start whenever they see any vessels. The convoy which lately started from St. Mary, has put back, in consequence of a large fleet off St. Andrews Sound. Charleston vess is now here—schooners Nancy, Hussey; Patsey, Worth; Necesity, Benjamin; and Luck's-All, Smith. Captains Hurd, Emery, Morgan, and Crocker, have run up Newport River for safety.

SALE BY AUCTION
THIS DAY

The 27th inst. at 10 o'clock precisely, without reserve, at our Auction Room, head of Frederick street dock, on terms which will then be made known, an Invoice of

BRITISH DRY GOODS,
Consisting of

Superfine, second and coarse Cloths, of various colours
Do. of Cassimeres, Vestings, and
Rose Blankets of an excellent quality
White chapel and London Needles
Cotton and Silk Lace, Silk Twist, &c. of superior quality

WM. VANCE & CO Auctrs.

The above Goods are now open for inspection, and will be found worthy the attention of dealers in such articles. W. V & Co.

SALE POSTPONED.

The absence of Mr. Neilson has compelled us to Postpone our sales until further notice.

The library of the late James L. Donaldson, Esq. will be offered in a few days.

JOHN P USHER & CO. Aucts.
dec 27

Marshal's Sale Postponed.

The sale heretofore advertised to take place at Newbern, N. C on the 24th Dec. has been Postponed to FRIDAY, the 20th January, when will be sold under the direction of the Marshal,

The Coppered Brig WILLIAM,

Burthen about 90 Tons, together with her cargo, consisting of about 195,000 lbs. Gum Senegal prize to the L. M. Schr. Decatur, Geo. Montgomery, Master. The inventory of the vessel may be seen, and any information furnished by applying at the Counting Room of

WM. DOUGLASS.
dec 27 eo8t

FOR SALE,

The fast sailing pilot boat built Schr.
ARGONAUT,

About 250 tons burthen, faithfully built of the best materials, has been lately recaulked and graved, and is completely fitted for a voyage—will be sold at Public Auction on the 30th inst if not previously disposed of at private sale.—For terms apply to

NATH. & WM. STARR,
New York.
dec 27 d4t

NOTICE.

A fast sailing Baltimore built
SCHOONER,

Of 200 tons burthen, will sail from this port as a Cartel under the orders of the government between the 1st and 10th January next, to carry despatches to Europe Letters will be forwarded at 50 cents per single sheet. Passengers will be taken. For terms apply to

P. A. GUESTIER.
dec 27 d6t

FIRE WOOD.

The subscriber having engaged a number of Waggons, has it now in his power to supply families and others with a quantity of the best kind of upland young Wood, or he will sell it corded on the ground, about 3 miles from the city, to those who prefer it

Liberal wages and constant employ given to Carters. JOHN SUTHERLAND,
Corner of Market & Charles sts.
dec 27 d

Cambric Muslins.

We have just received and offer for sale at No. 190, Market street,

3 cases	6-4	Cambric Muslins	
4 do.	9-8	Do.	Do.
3 do.	6-4 & 9-8		Do.
1 do.	6-4 fine Cambric Jaconet		

Also,

2 bales Lisbon Baizes—and
2 cases Satinetts

DAWES & HASTINGS.
dec 27 d4t

FOR SALE,
FIFTEEN HEAD OF HORNED CATTLE,

Consisting of Bulls, Steers & Cows, nearly the whole of them in killing order Enquire at *No. 57, Smith's wharf.*

N. B. The Cattle may be seen at Mr. Kirk's, sign of the kegs, head of Pratt street.
dec 27 d4t

NORRIS & MARTIN,

Inform the lovers of fine SNUFF, that they have just received a supply of that very much admired Maccoboy, made by Lorillard, of New York. They have also on hand, a few half boxes of prime Havanna Cigars, made by the celebrated Martin, of that place.
dec 27 d4t

Baltimore County, to wit:

This is to certify that John Michael, residing in Smith street, near to the Philadelphia road, this day brought before me as a stray, a BAY MARE, about 10 years old; thick sett; 12 hands high; with a white star in her forehead; short tail; has a collar mark on her left shoulder; stone blind; had also with her a halter chain and collar; appears to have strayed from some waggon. Given under my hand and seal, as one of the justices of the peace for said county, Dec. 24th, 1814.

WM. Y. PURVIANCE.

The owner of the above Mare is desired to come prove property, pay charges and take her away. JOHN MICHAEL.
dec 27 d4t*

Notice is Hereby Given,

That agreeable to the Act of Congress, entitled "An Act to provide additional revenues "for defraying the expenses of Government "and maintaining the public credit, by laying "duties on Spirits distilled within the United "States and Territories thereof, and by amending the Act laying duties on Licenses to Distillers of Spirituous Liquors," passed December 21st, 1814—every person who shall, after the 1st day of February, 1815, distil spirits within the United States, is required, in addition to the duty on the License already taken, or hereafter to be taken by him, to pay Twenty Cents a gallon on all spirits distilled after that day, or subject to the limitations in the said act expressed, to pay Twenty five Cents a gallon on all such spirits; in which case no license is required to be taken, and that, agreeably to the said act, a bond is required previous to the said day to be given to the Collector, and other duties required to be performed under penalties therein prescribed.

That the Distiller may be correctly advised of the duties incumbent upon him to discharge, an Abstract of the several Acts of Congress subjecting Stills, and Boilers and Spirits to duty, has been prepared, a copy of which, with the annexed forms of statements required from a distiller, will be furnished to him by the Collector, on demand.

The Collector will also furnish on demand, Blank Bonds, and such other Blanks as will enable the distiller to comply with the several provisions of law.

STEPHEN H. MOORE,
Collector of the Revenue for the 4th Collection District of Maryland.

Collector's Office, Dec. 26th, 1814.
dec 27 dtl1stJ2awtl1stF

Notice is hereby Given,

That by an Act of Congress, entitled, "An "Act to provide additional Revenues for de-"fraying the expenses of Government, and "maintaining the public credit by laying duties "on Sales at Auction, and on Licenses to re-"tail Wines, Spirituous Liquors, and Foreign "Merchandize, and for encreasing the rates "of Postage," passed 23d December, 1814—an additional duty of 100 per centum on sales at Auction, and an additional duty of 50 per centum on Licenses to retailers are laid, to take effect from the 1st day of February, 1815; conformably to which act, that can be inspected at this office, new obligations are imposed on Auctioneers, and the said additional duty on Licenses to Retailers is to be paid, on written application to be made by them, as well by those who have obtained Licenses for periods extending beyond the 1st day of February, 1815, as by others, in the way therein prescribed agreeably to forms, which can be obtained from the Collector.

STEPHEN H. MOORE,
Collector of the Revenue for the 4th Collection District of Maryland.

Collector's Office, Dec. 26th, 1814.
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SHERIFF'S SALE.

On the 7th day of January next, at 12 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Warehouse of William Woods, in South street, Baltimore, will be offered at public sale, for cash,

A parcel of Plaister of Paris,

A part of which is in lumps, and the residue ground fine—late the property of Benjamin Hicks, seized and taken at the suit of Robert Miller, by virtue of a writ of *fieri facias* from Baltimore County Court to the Sheriff thereof directed.

JOHN CHALMERS, Sh'ff.
dec 26—27 eo4t

NOTICE.

All persons are hereby cautioned from crediting *William Nelson*, formerly my apprentice, as I am determined to pay no debts of his contracting from this date, having behaved himself in so unbecoming a manner, that I was under the necessity of turning him away.

J. J. PENTZ.
dec 27 d4t

A Journeyman Comb Maker
WANTED,

To work on Tortoise-shell—To a good workman, constant employment will be given. Apply to MARY ASHWELL,
No. 8, North Gay-st.
dec 27 d4t

Was taken from a Boy,

On suspicion of being stolen, a SUM OF MONEY, which the owner can have by applying at this office.
dec 27 d4t

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25 Cents Reward,

Will be paid by the subscriber for delivering to him or lodging in jail my two apprentices, *John Neal & William Brown*, (so that I get them again) or 12½ Cents for either.

All masters of vessels and others are hereby cautioned from harboring, employing or concealing either of the above named apprentices, as they will be treated with the utmost rigor of the law. BAZILL L. SMITH.
dec 27 d4t*

LAND FOR SALE.

Part of a Tract called "Cannon's Lot," containing 150¼ Acres, situated on the old Fredericktown road, about 6½ miles from Baltimore, and about 3½ miles from the Union Factory.—The land lies low and level, and is capable of great improvements. Enquire of Adam Waltemeyer, at CHAS. JESSUP's,
Bridge street, Old Town.
dec 27 d4t*

For Sale for Life,

A NEGRO WOMAN, about 29 years of age She can cook, wash and do housework generally. Enquire at this office.
dec 27 eo4t*

AUCTION ROOMS,

216, *Market street.*
ON WEDNESDAY NEXT,
At 10 o'clock, A. M. will be offered at Public Auction, an Invoice of
DOMESTIC & BRITISH DRY GOODS
by the Package only.
APPLETON & POOR, Aucts.

HOUSE TO LET,

In one of the most central streets off Market street, well calculated for the residence of a merchant, having accommodations for a genteel family, and lately undergone a compleat repair. The premises may be entered upon in all this month, if immediate application be made. Further information may be obtained at the office of the American.
dec 20 d6t

TEAMS WANTED.

Good wages and constant employ will be given to a few Waggons for six weeks. To one that can travel 20 miles a day, one half the distance empty, considerable additional wages will be given. Enquire at this office.
dec 26 d4t