

ON GAMING.

I know not one comfort of which gaming is productive; I know not one misery which it hath not occasioned.

A gamester may be a desperado—a coolly brave man upon all occasions, and under trials he can hardly be; for, though resentment may teach him to defend his person, yet conscience may disarm his sword.

If this restless infatuation could proceed from any other passion opposed to the desire of gain, the victims of a deluded intention might possibly meet with compassion.

Look at this wretch at the hour of dissolution, when he would give (oh! dreadful sacrifice) his immortal soul to continue his mortal existence; when his worship of Mammon is converted to repentance, and even the situation of a beggar, whose misery he derided, is become a state of envy to him.

From the New-York Evening Post.

A SPECK OF WAR;

THE GOOD SENSE OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WESTERN COUNTRY.

"Were armies to be raised," says the illustrious Jefferson, "whenever a speck of war is visible in our horizon, we should never have been without them.

I cannot, however, proceed without dropping a tear over the untimely discovery made respecting Judge Sebastian, and many of the most incorruptible patriots of Kentucky.

1. I conceive our principal reliance is upon "the good sense of the people of the western country."

tern country"—they have a "view of the whole ground," and can best judge what is for their own good.

2. It is my opinion that where legal evidence against any man cannot be found, there is no remedy, except in the new invented legal machinery of our district-judge and attorney.

3. It is a supposable case, however, that Mr. Burr instead of being taken, should take New-Orleans, and that the Spanish army on the Sabine, should chance down to help him.

4. Reason—the only umpire between just nations—Yes! I would ply Mr. Burr with reason—I say just nations, because Louisiana and the western states would, in the case put, be organized into a separate republic to increase the spread of liberty.

5. What I have written goes wholly upon the supposition that this speck of war should continue to be no more than a speck, and that too in the horizon.

6. This is a case which the scope of my plan does not oblige me to provide for.

7. In all possible cases the whole body of republicans should petition Mr. Jefferson to suffer himself to be re-elected to the presidency, as the only possible means of preserving the honor, independence, integrity and safety of the United States.

Note—This association was by mistake called High-binders; the name is as here called.

ANCLAM, October 28.

The theatre of war, which was till now in the environs of Mark, draws nearer and nearer to the boundaries of Pomranzia; there was a battle near Templin; a cannonade was heard here this day—a war treasure arrived here to-day.

STETTIN, October 28.

The corps of Hohenlohe, and the French troops, came, according to report, to action yesterday, near Neustant-Oberswald, from whence the news is expected—the French troops are expected here to-day or to-morrow. The English consul has left this place.

VAXEL, October 28.

The baron Von Reeden, lieutenant-governor of this place, is this moment returned from the head-quarters of gen. Dandels, and brings official accounts, that the duchy of Oldenburg is to remain completely neutral.

WESTPHALIA, October 29.

The county of Lingin is taken possession of for his majesty the king of Holland; not by military force, but by an address from the ministrative college at Munster—all the Prussian eagles, and other arms, are also taken down by order of gen. Michael, and no Prussian uniform dare to be worn any longer.

A requisition is made on the county of 120 horses, 60 head of cattle, and it is said that a larger demand will be made—it is likewise reported, that Embden and Minden are in possession of French and Dutch troops.

BRUNSWICK, October 30.

The French have taken possession of this duchy, as a conquered country. Gen. Matraison is commander of Brunswick.—Quadlinburg is also in possession of the French.

NEW-YORK, January 16.

Yesterday morning, between 12 and one o'clock, a fire broke out in a building occupied as a chocolate manufactory, in the rear of Beekman-street, and before it was got under, consumed two small wooden buildings besides the one in which it originated.

An expedition consisting of five frigates, and having a number of troops on board, sailed from Kingston, Jan. on the 7th ult. destined to act against Curacao.

Arrived, the schr. General Green, Jones, 16 days from St. Pierre. Left, brig Julia Ann, just arrived from N. York. The brig Huron, Ingersoll, sailed 4 days before; the brig Charles Williams, and a Philadelphia schooner, 16 days before, all for New-York. January 5, lat. 28, 8, long. 73, spoke brig Tropic, from Demerara, and 7 days from St. Rastatia for Portland; 10th, lat. 35, 45, long. 73, spoke the schr. Governor McKean, 28 hours from the capes of Delaware. On Wednesday, just to the southward of the Hook, saw a foretoppail schooner, with a yellow boat-top, and black bottom, loaded with ice, then lying to. On the passage passed brig John.

The ship Perseverance, Gardner, 36 days from the city of St. Domingo, but last from the Coast. Left on vessels on the coast, but the brig Thetis; and another New-York brig were at the city. The schr. Liberty, from New-York, had been expected 30 days but had not arrived. All was tranquil at St. Domingo. Three days since, spoke the new ship Mary, three days from Road Island, for Wilmington.

From Currituck, the schrs. Anne, Houseman, and Union, Mercereau, both 5 days passage. On the 10th inst. off the capes of Virginia, saw three large British men of war heave to, take pilots, and stand in. Cleared, ship West Point, Thompson, Londonderry; Minerva, Lombard, Jamaica; Bristol Trader, Crocker, Bristol; brig Warren, Smith, St. Croix; schr. Julia Seymour, Weston, St. Thomas; Hiram, Cayman, Jamaica; sloop Juno, Thayer, Edenton.

CHARLESTON, January 5.

On Friday last, the crew of the British ship Crocydon, Williams, at anchor in this harbor, mutinied, and the captain fired upon them, and wounded two of the seamen, of which, one is said to have since died, in the hospital, of his wounds. The seamen in the harbor manifested, on Saturday, a disposition to be riotous, and to commit some outrage upon other British vessels in the port; the Crocydon having gone to sea on that morning. In consequence, the governor ordered out a very strong military force to preserve the peace of the city; it gives us pleasure to state, that the troops evinced the most prompt obedience to the governor's orders, and gave the most decisive proof of the alacrity with which they would do their duty whenever their country shall demand their services.

Arrived, ship Bellona, Collins, Princess-island (Africa) 130 days, in distress, bound to New-York; Augusta, Dashwood, Boston, 20; Phillipsburg, Lettingwell, N. York, 11; John, Bullock, Providence, R. I. 20; schr. James, Prepples, Sierra Leone, 55—A. Holmes & Co.—Slaves; Kitty, Brown, Rio Pongus, 54—P. Cassin, 76 Slaves; sloop Nancy & Susan, Hutchinson, N. York, 14; Semiramis, Slocum, N. Y. 5; Carolina, Hall, Alexandria, 15; Industry, Williams, Philadelphia, 6.

Three days since, capt. Bullock spoke brig Rio 77 days from Africa, for this port, and supplied her with provisions. Capt. Bow left in the Rio Pongus, ship Maria, Pike, for this port in 15 days; and schr. Three-Friends, Woodward, just arrived from this port.

January 6.

Arrived, ships Hope, Clark, Providence, R. I. 8 days; Brutus, Toby, Newport, 11; Lucy, Inglee, Boston, 18; Logan, Myriek, New-York, 9; brig Callops, Records, do. 8; schr. Happy Couple, Folger, Philadelphia, 3; sloop Kezia, Paddleford, Newport, 11.

Cleared, ship Anna, Clark, Nantux; schr.

Famous Voltair, Valdes, New-Orleans; Fair Trader, Miller, Barbados; Happy Return, Tatem, ditto.

Brig Boston, Brookins, from Matanzas, took a pilot last evening.

On the 31st ult. captain Records, lost his mate (Mr. John J. Thompson) from the mast-head.

LEXINGTON (VIRGINIA).

Saturday evening January 4. Col. Matthew Lyon passed through this town yesterday on his way to the Federal City. He stated that he believed that the rumor respecting Burr was without foundation—that col. Burr intended nothing against the peace and happiness of the United States—and that general Wilkinson was firmly attached to the government of the union, and well calculated for the offices he holds.

Mr. Lyon further stated that col. Burr has gone down the river, and intended going round by water to call gen. Eaton to account for circulating a report so injurious to his character.

NORFOLK, January 13.

Arrived, ship Thomas, Boush, 43 days from St. Ubes. Left there Nov. 29, ship Diana, Budge, of Boston, to sail for Baltimore next day. Spoke Dec. 1, lat. 36, long. 12, schr. Lydia, Williams, from Boston bound to Leghorn—23th, lat. 23, long. 64, brig Mary and Nancy, Joack, from Boston, bound to Martinique, 19 days out. Ship Eliza, Shully, 35 days from Barbados.

The ship Sheffield, Davis, of and from this port bound to Liverpool, was spoken on Wednesday, 30 leagues to the Eastward of Cape Henry.

Schr. Union, Mitchell, 14 days from Portsmouth, (N. H.)

Brig Sukey, Rhodes, 9 days from Boston; Schr. Good Intent, Baxter, 10 days from Boston.

Brig Abcona, Hill, 8 days from Rhode Island, bound for New-Providence.

At Craney Island in pursuit of men, the brig Nancy, Dunham, master, 10 days from Baltimore, bound for Boston. Also schr. Louisa Adeline, Lines, master, 8 days from Philadelphia bound for Richmond.

In Lynhaven Bay—His B. M. ship Caesar, Admiral sir Richard Strachan, of 80 guns.

Triumph, sir Thomas Hardie, of 74 guns.

Topaz frigate, of 36 guns.

In Hampton Roads—The Leopard, capt. Humphreys, of 50 guns, and the Bellona, capt. Douglass, of 74 guns.

The Melampus frigate sailed from Hampton Roads on Sunday.

Cleared, ship Juno, Ritson, Jamaica; brig Fame, Stone, St. Thomas; Hannah, Brownlow, Jamaica.

WASHINGTON-CITY, January 16.

On Wednesday, an elegant dinner was given to capt. Merriweather Lewis, by the citizens of Washington, as an expression of their personal respect and affection, of their high sense of the services he has rendered his country, and of their satisfaction at his return in safety into the bosom of his friends. Among the company were Mr. Chouteau, Mr. Provanchere, the Mandan chief, several officers of government, members of congress & strangers of distinction.

A general regret prevailed at the absence of capt. Clark, the friend and associate of captain Lewis, for whom the dinner had been delayed for several days in expectation of his arrival in the city.

Robert Brent, esq. presided, supported by capt. Tingey and col. Wharton, as vice-presidents.

Capt. Lewis was received with the liveliest demonstrations of regard. Every one present seemed to be deeply impressed with a sentiment of gratitude, mingled with an elevation of mind, on settling down at the festive board, with this favorite of fortune, friend and associate of captain Lewis, for whom the dinner had been delayed for several days in expectation of his arrival in the city.

After partaking of the gratifications of a well-spread table, the following toasts were drunk, interspersed with appropriate songs and instrumental music:

- 1. The People—Virtuous and brave, uncorrupt and incorruptible.
2. The Constitution—The ark of our safety that will outlive the blackest storm.
3. The President of the United States—May he receive the reward of science, and the thanks of his country, for the fruits of those labors we are now assembled to celebrate.
4. Congress—Wise laws will ever be cheerfully obeyed by an intelligent people.
5. Washington—Who, undaunted in adversity, and moderate in prosperity, possessed the zeal of a patriot and the wisdom of a sage.
6. Franklin—A name identified with science and liberty, with private virtues and public duties.
7. Columbus—Our happiness the proud trophy of his daring spirit and prophetic wisdom.
8. The United States—Who by respecting the rights of her native children, has inspired them with reverence for her power, and affection for her laws.
9. The Red People of America—Under an enlightened policy, gaining by steady steps the comforts of the civilized without losing the virtues of the savage state.
10. The Council Fire—May it long continue of diffuse a general warmth, without consuming those who surround it.
11. Science—Which, animated by the enterprise of the American mind, has made the desert to blossom and the wilderness to smile.
12. Union—May it be immortal! Honored to its friends—infamy to its foes.
13. Peace—Our choice and our hope.
14. The Militia—An armed nation in the day of danger.

15. The army and navy of the United States—satisfied with maintaining peace but prepared at a moment's warning to unflinchingly defend the liberties of our country.

16. Agriculture, commerce and manufactures.—Their interest, like those of the independent sovereignties they enrich and unite, are one and indivisible.

17. The district of Columbia—unrepresented in the national councils, may she never experience the want of national patronage.

On Captain Lewis's retiring.

Captain Merriweather Lewis—patriotic, enlightened and brave; who had the spirit to undertake and valor to execute an expedition, which reflects honor on his country.

Capt. Clarke, and the other brave companions of captain Lewis—Their patriotic and manly perseverance entitles them to the approbation of their countrymen.

The memories of captain Cook, Bourganville, and other circumnavigators, whose perilous enterprises, and indefatigable labors have so much enriched the world in the science of geography.

VOLUNTEERS.

By captain Lewis—May works be a test of patriotism, as they ought of right to be that of religion.

By Mr. Barlow—Victory over the wilderness, which is more interesting than that over men.

By gen. Mason—Man, in his most ennobled attitude, encountering danger and want for the good of his country.

By Mr. Fulton—The American Eagle—When she expands her wings from the Atlantic to the Pacific ocean, may she quench her thunders in both.

By Mr. T. M. Randolph—May actions, not eloquence, be acknowledged, as they are in fact, the true proof of talents.

By Mr. G. Clinton—The cardinal objects of the federal compact—the common defence and the general welfare.

Volunteer—May those who explore the desert never be deserted.

BY THIS DAY'S MAILS.

NEW-YORK, January 17.

Arrived, the ship Swanwick, Cox, of Philadelphia, 120 days from Batavia, put in on account of the ice in the Delaware. Dec. 24, lat. 26, 40, long. 65, spoke the brig Washington, Mather, 9 days from N. London, for Antigua. Sept. 15, off Anger point, spoke ship Manderin, of Boston, out 100 days for Canton. The brig Abial, of Philadelphia, passed Anger point, August 2; ship Catharine, Blanchard, of Boston, do; ship Swift, Edridge, of N. Y. for Manila and Canton, 40 days from the Cape of Good-Hope, do. 11th September; ship Dorothy, of Philadelphia, for Canton, do. 7th August, and the ship Baltic, from R. I. do. 10th for Canton.

The schr. Hulna & Anna, Fitzhug, 5 days from Norfolk.

The schr. Weymouth, Weymouth, 8 days from Richmond and 2 from the roads.

The schr. Remittance, Treat, 9 days from Savannah.

Below last night, the brig Generous Friend, from Jamaica—two other brigs and 2 schooners. Wind NNE, but progressing easterly.

Cleared, ships Royal Edward, Aiken, Liverpool; Phoenix, Hullburt, Madeira; Fanny & Almira, Hicks, Sligo; Mechanic, Bagley, Charleston; schr. Emily, Richards, jun. Martinique; Three Friends, Fisher, Norfolk; Union, Bacon, Boston; Patsy, Lintner, Alexandria; Clotilda, Jewell, Richmond; Louisiana, Davis, Edenton; Rising Stars, Gilbert, Norfolk; sloop Providence, Currie, Providence; Jersey, Dickey, Richmond; Friendship, Wheeler, Washington; Harmony, Ellwood, Norfolk.

The schr. Nimrod, Andrews, arrived at Guadalupe in 16 days from N. York.

SALEM, January 10.

Arrived, brig Hector, Lovett, 122 days from Calcutta. Left there, September 4, ship Golden Age, Emery, Salem, 12 days; Betsy, Dutch, do. do. Hope, Barr, ditto do. Dromo, Breck, Boston; Juliana, Graham, New-York; Bainbridge, Josiah, Philadelphia; Benjamin Franklin, Weeks, do. Roby and Betsy, Wickborne, ditto; Montezuma, Dix, Baltimore.

January 13.

Cleared, ships Angustus, Endicott, Havana; Cincinnati, Haskell, Sumatra; Franklin, Wellman, Leghorn; schr. Betsy, Paulsand, Barcelona; Betsy, Edwards, Havana; Betsy, King, West-Indies.

For Sale, (IN THIS STATE ONLY) A NEGRO FAMILY,

CONSISTING of a Man, his Wife and two Sons. The man is about 33 years old, has been accustomed to all kinds of farming; living in prosperity, and is handy about the house. The woman is a good cook and house servant. One of the children is about three years old, and the other about eighteen months, both healthy and strong—both have been vaccinated. They are offered for sale in consequence of the inconvenience of children in a small kitchen, and not from any fault. Apply at this office.

Wanted,

AS AN APPRENTICE to the Dry Goods business, a sober steady LAD, if application is immediately made. Enquire at this office.

STOCK.

FOR Sale, either on long credit, or discount from par, for ready money, 150 Shares Frederick town Turnpike Stock, 50 do. Register's town do. do. Enquire at this office.

The subscriber intends applying to the judges of Baltimore county court, two months from this date, for the benefit of the last insolvent law, to release him from all debts, as well individual as those contracted by the firm of John C. & C. Beck, which misfortunes disabled him to discharge. JOHN C. BECK.