

...we do not defect in the slightest degree from the course we then assumed, and are still pursuing, with mutual consent, to restore a good understanding, we are not to impute to them practices as irreconcilable to interest as to good faith, and changing necessarily the relations of peace and justice between us to those of war. These surmises are therefore to be imputed to the wantonness of the author of this enterprise, to multiply his partisans, by magnifying the belief of his prospects and support.

By letters from general Wilkinson of the 14th and 18th of December, which came to hand two days after the date of the resolution of the house of representatives, that is to say on the morning of the 18th instant, I received the important affidavit, a copy of which I now communicate, with extracts of so much of the letters as comes within the scope of the resolution. By these it will be seen that of three of the principal emissaries of Mr. Burr, whom the general had caused to be apprehended, one had been liberated by habeas corpus, and two others, being those particularly employed in the endeavor to corrupt the general and army of the United States, have been embarked by him for ports in the Atlantic States, probably on the consideration that an impartial trial could not be expected during the present agitations of New-Orleans, and that that city was not as yet a safe place of confinement. As soon as these persons shall arrive, they will be delivered to the custody of the law, and left to such course of trial, both as to place and process, as its functionaries may direct. The presence of the highest judicial authorities to be assembled at this place within a few days, the means of pursuing a sounder course of proceedings here than elsewhere, and the aid of the executive means, should the judges have occasion to use them, render it equally desirable for the criminal, as for the public, that being already removed from the place where they were first apprehended, the first regular arrest should take place here, and the course of proceedings receive here their proper direction.

TH: JEFFERSON.

January 22, 1807.

Extract of a letter from gen James Wilkinson, dated New-Orleans, Dec. 14, 1806.

After several consultations with the governor and judges, touching the arrest and confinement of certain known agents and emissaries of col. Burr, in this city and territory, whose intrigues and machinations were to be apprehended, it is with their privity and approbation that I have caused three of them to be arrested, viz. Doctor Erick Bollman, Saquell Swartwout, and Peter V. Ogden, against whom I possess strong facts, and I have recommended to the governor to have James Alexander, esq. taken up on the grounds of strong suspicion. These persons and all others, who, by their character and deportment may be considered hostile to the interests of the United States or dangerous to this feeble frontier, under the menacing aspect of things from above, will, if my influence can prevail, be seized and sent by sea to the United States subject to the disposition of government, and accompanied by such information as may justify their confinement, and furnish a clue to the development of the grounds, progress and projects of the treasonable enterprise in which they are engaged.

This letter will accompany doctor Bollman, who is to be this day embarked in a vessel bound for Charleston, under the charge of lieutenant Wilson of the artillery, who has orders to land with his prisoner, at Fort Johnston, or Fort Moultrie, to forward this dispatch by mail and to wait the orders of the executive. Mr. Swartwout will be sent to Baltimore by a vessel which will sail some time the ensuing week in custody of another subaltern, who will be the bearer of strong testimony against him and also col. Burr, and the others will follow under due precautions, by the earliest opportunities which may present.

I deem it essential to keep these prisoners apart, to prevent the adjustment of correspondent answers or confessions, to any examination which may ensue, and I hope the measures of the executive may be so prompt and efficient, as to relieve the officers in charge of them from their trust, before the interposition of the friends of the prisoners may effect their liberation.

By this procedure we may intimidate the confederates, who are unquestionably numerous in this as well as the adjacent territory, disconcert their arrangements and possibly destroy their intrigues, and I hope the zeal which directs the measure may be justified and approved, for whilst the glow of patriotism actuates my conduct, and I am willing to offer myself a martyr to the constitution of my country, I should indeed be most grievously disappointed did I incur its censure.

Here, sir, we find the key to the western states, and here we must form one grand depository and place of arms, combine in this disposition a river fleet competent to its occasion and post it thirty or forty leagues above the Yazoo river, and we may repose in security; for the discontent and sufferings of our insurgent citizens which must immediately ensue, will soon open their eyes to the wickedness of their leaders and work a radical reformation without bloodshed. This is my plan for resisting an internal attack—for external defence, gun boats and bomb ketches with floating batteries at the mouth of the Mississippi and the passes from Lake Pontchartrain will be necessary.

Extract of a letter from general James Wilkinson, dated New-Orleans, December 18, 1806.

Sir, Since my last of the 14th instant, writs of habeas corpus have been issued for the bodies of Bollman, Swartwout and Ogden, the two latter by judge Workman, who is strongly suspected for being connected with Burr in his conspiracy, as I have proof this man declared some time since that "the republican who possessed power and did not employ it to establish a despotism was a fool." His writ for Ogden was served on captain Shaw of the navy who had him in

charge at my request, on board the Etna bomb ketch, and delivered him up and Mr. Workman discharged him without giving me a word of information, although he knew he was confined by my order for a treasonable combination with Burr and Mr. Ogden now struts at large, Swartwout I have sent off and shall so report, holding myself ready for consequences. Bollman was required by the superior court, but I have got rid of that affair also under the usual liability for damages, in which case I shall look to our country for protection.

I, James Wilkinson, brigadier general and commander in chief of the army of the United States to warrant the arrest of Dr. Erick Bollman on a charge of treason, misprision of treason, or such other offence against the government and laws of the U. States as the following facts may legally charge him with—on my honor as a soldier, and on the holy evangelists of Almighty God, do declare and swear, that on the sixth day of November last, when in command at Natchitoches, I received by the hands of a Frenchman, a stranger to me, a letter from Doctor Erick Bollman, of which the following is a correct copy.

New-Orleans, Sept. 27, 1806.

Sir, I have the honor to forward to your excellency the enclosed letters, which I was charged to deliver to you by our mutual friend. I shall remain for some time at this place, and should be glad to learn where and when I may have the pleasure of an interview with you. Have the goodness to inform me of it, and please to direct your letter to me, care of —, or enclose it under cover to them. I have the honor to be, with great respect, sir,

Your excellency's most ob't serv't,
(Signed) "ERICK BOLLMAN."

General Wilkinson.

Philadelphia, 25th July, 1806.

DEAR SIR, Mr. Swartwout, the brother of col. S. of New York, being on his way down the Mississippi, and promising he may pass you at some post on the river, has requested of me a letter of introduction, which I give with pleasure, as he is a most amiable young man, and highly respectable from his character and connections. I pray you to afford him any friendly offices which his situation may require, and beg you to pardon the trouble which this may give you.

With entire respect,
Your friend and obedient servant,
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His Excellency
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BOSTON, January 19.

FIRE!

It is with peculiar regret we record, that about half past one o'clock, Friday morning, the new and elegant building of the Columbian Museum, owned by Messrs. Bowen and Doyle, was discovered to be on fire, and which, with a part of the valuable collection, was soon destroyed. The fire is supposed to have taken, by some accident, in the story in which Mr. Martin exhibited his experiments and Phantasmagoria, as advertised in the papers. Some time before the flames were seen, a loud report was heard, supposed to be the explosion of some chymical preparation and which was the cause of the disaster. We are confident not the smallest blame can attach to Messrs. Bowen and Doyle, for want of care and vigilance; and at half past 11 o'clock on Thursday night, Mr. Doyle was in the Museum to see if the fires and lamps were extinguished. It is remarkable that Thursday was the anniversary of the destruction of the Museum by fire in 1803. At that time, Mr. Bowen, then sole proprietor, did not feel it incumbent on him to solicit the public aid in the re-establishment of his institution: but this second calamity has impaired the means of the proprietors, that an appeal to the public benevolence, we understand, is an indispensable duty.—We hope the appeal will not be made in vain; and that a liberal subscription will enable them to re-erect their building, and re-establish an institution which has done credit to the town; afforded an innocent amusement to our citizens and strangers; and been a magnet which has attracted wealth from the interior. The loss is estimated at 20,000 dollars.

After the fire had subsided a very melancholy catastrophe occurred. A great part of the south wall of the Museum fell into the chapel burying ground, and killed 6 young men; and wounded several others. Those killed, are William, son of captain Michael Homer, aged 11, a promising youth. John, son of Mr. Philip Condon, (one of the pressmen employed in this office) aged 14. Henry Fullerton, aged 20, an apprentice of Mr. Richard Thayer, housewright. Isaac Peabody, of Shirley, an apprentice of Mr. John Leaman, blacksmith, aged 15. Joshua Urann, an apprentice of Mr. Aves, cooper, aged 17; and James D. Beals, an apprentice of Mr. Jennings, wheelwright, aged 13. We do not understand that any of the wounds are mortal.

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Spence's arrival at Nashville, in the state of Tennessee.—And observed that colonel Burr had proceeded too far to retreat; that he (col. Burr) had numerous and powerful friends in the United States, who stood pledged to support him with their fortunes, and that he must succeed. That he, the said Dr. E. Bollman, had written to colonel Burr on the subject of provisions, and that he expected a supply would be sent from New York and also from Norfolk, where colonel Burr had strong connections. I did not see or hear from the doctor again until the 23rd instant, when I called on him the second time. The mail having arrived the day before, I asked him whether he had received any intelligence from colonel Burr. He informed me that he had seen a letter from colonel Burr of the 30th October, in which he (colonel Burr) gave assurances that he should be at Natchez with 2000 men on the 20th December instant, where he should wait until he heard from this place. That he would be followed by 4000 men more, and that he (colonel Burr) if he had chosen, could have raised or got 12,000 as easy as 6,000, but that he did not think that number necessary—considering fully in this information I became indifferent about further disguise. I then told the doctor that I should most certainly oppose colonel Burr if he came this way. He replied, they must come here for equipments and shipping, and observed that he did not know what had passed between colonel Burr and myself, obliged at a sham defence and waived the subject.

From the documents in my possession, and the several communications, verbal as well as written, from the said Doctor Erick Bollman on this subject, I feel no hesitation in declaring under the solemn obligation of an oath, that he has committed misprision of treason against the government of the U. S.

Signed, JAS. WILKINSON.
Signed and sworn to this 14th day of December, 1806, before me, one of the justices of the peace of this county.

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Cleared, ship Brato, Burnet, L'ghorn; William, Hanson, Newry; brig Commerce, McIntire, Greenock.

FEDERAL GAZETTE.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 24.

We are informed, by our correspondent at Washington, that Dr. Bollman and Mr. Swartwout have arrived at that city, and are in custody at the Navy Yard.

THOMAS HARWOOD, Esq. was this day appointed Clerk of the Baltimore Criminal Court, in the room of Wm. S. Summers, Esq. deceased.

The Museum at Boston, containing property to the amount of 20,000 dollars, was, on Friday the 16th inst. consumed by Fire.

Private correspondence, from the Phil. Register.

Cádiz, Nov. 21.
Ships from the U. S. can now discharge & load in quarantine, as the blockade is not so strict of late, and in case of impediment, Algeiras and Agamonte offer equal advantages nearly as this market. Business has fled from this place, for there is nothing doing.

Flour 11 dollars quick; Rice 7 dollars quick; Wax 50 dollars quick; Pipe staves 95 dollars slack; Tobacco 11 dollars 99 cents slack; Indian Corn 3 dollars. 50 cents per pecked fanega, in demand.

Nothing doing in Colonial Produce.
Exchange, London 41 per cent dollar.

Extract of a letter from captain John Shaw, dated New-Orleans, Dec. 9.

I have ordered lieuts. Read and Patterson to the mouth of the Iberville, where the ketch Etna, lieut. Jones, will join them. Gun boats, No. 11 and 12, I will order to fort Plaquemine, to form a cross fire on any ascending foe. I take command of the ketch Vesuvius. Lieut. Read I will place in the command of the Revenge, mounting 10 six-pounders, as well as 3 armed barges, mounting 2 six-pounders each. We shall move upwards with every dispatch, in order to drive on shore and destroy their advance of 500 men."

Lieutenant John Pratt's house, in New-Ispswich, (New-Hampshire) was burnt in the morning of the 29th December. A child perished in the flames.

Dr. Brown, a relation of Mr. Burr, who formerly held an office in this city, is at present the acting governor of Upper Louisiana. [N. Y. paper.]

DIRECTIONS
For sailing by Georgetown light-house, erected, and now lighted, on the southern point of North Island, at the entrance of Georgetown harbor, South-Carolina.

The light-house bears NNE. from the outer shoal of Cape Roman, distant 3 leagues. In passing it, either northwardly or southwardly, vessels will find five fathoms water, within five miles of the land. The eastern bank, which is the most eastern and outer shoal, lies about a mile and a half to the SE. of the range of shoals that are before the entrance of the harbor, and within 5 miles of the land; on the eastern point of it there are two fathoms at high water, on the western 3 fathoms, and 5 fathoms all round it.

The light-house bears from the eastern point NW. about two leagues, and from the western NW. at the same distance. The principal entrance into the harbor lies to the southward; vessels drawing from 7 to 8 feet water, may (if a pilot can be procured) enter at a half tide by bringing the light house to bear N. by W. and running directly for it, to within 100 fathoms of the land; they then will have deep water on both sides for several miles up the bay. A common flood tide rises here about four feet.

The light-house blown down in the August gale.

Congress of the United States.
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Friday, January 23.

[TAKEN FOR THE FEDERAL GAZETTE.]

The house of representatives was this day principally occupied in discussing two resolutions, sometime since offered by the committee to whom was referred so much of the president's message as relates to the fortification and protection of ports, &c. A debate arose on the sum to be appropriated for that purpose. Several motions were made—to appropriate one million of dollars—five hundred thousand—three hundred thousand—two hundred and fifty thousand—and one hundred thousand, all of which were lost; and the blank (making the appropriation for that purpose) was ultimately filled with 20 thousand dollars.

The N. Y. members were in favor of a larger appropriation; but they were opposed on the ground, that a very small sum, in addition to what had been appropriated last session, was wanting, and that it would be impossible completely to fortify the harbor of N. York, owing to its peculiar situation. These resolutions, as they now stand, also appropriate 250,000 dollars for the purpose of building fifty gun-boats; and authorise the president to man and equip the whole or any part of that number, whenever he shall deem it necessary. The further consideration of the resolutions was then postponed until Monday.

Mr. Alston presented "a bill making compensation to Messrs. Lewis and Clark and their companions," which was read twice, and referred to a committee of the whole on Monday.

The "bill extending the power of granting writs of injunction to the judges of the district courts of the U. States," was read a third time and passed.

From the Merchants' Coffee-House Books.
January 24.

Arrived at Annapolis, the schr. Messenger, White, from La Vera Cruz.
And the British brig Aid, Sullivan, from Liverpool, via Boston.

A CARRIER wanted immediately, at the Office of the Federal Gazette. A person well acquainted in Old Town and on the Point will be preferred.

Forensic Society.

The above Society met at the PANTHEON, according to appointment, and after an able & learned discussion of the question, they adjourned to meet at the same place, on Saturday Evening next, at half past six o'clock.

The question, *Should Bachelors be taxed?* will then be discussed.
Tickets of admission, 12 1/2 cents—to be had at the door. January 19.

By Cole & I. Bonsal, Auct's.
THIS EVENING.

The 24th instant, will be offered for sale, at our Auction room, No 174 1/2, Market-street, A handsome assortment of NEW BOOKS,

In several departments of literature. In course of the sale, a choice collection of Prints, Watches, &c. &c.

Sale to commence at 6 o'clock.
Just Received & for Sale, by M. & J. CONRAD, & Co. 138, Market-street.

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Thos. & Sam. Hollingsworth, HEMP FOR SALE, 100 lbsds. Cayenne Sugar, 200 lbsds. Clavel do., Cologne Mill Sticks, various sizes, Baltimore Cl. lbs, different qualities. January 24. eodt

Any Lady, or Gentleman, Desirous of Boarding in a genteel private family, may be accommodated with a good Room, &c. by applying at this office. January 24. eodt

Wanted.

In a small family a WOMAN who understands Cooking, Ironing & Washing. As good wages will be given, none need apply that will not come well recommended. Or a young Negro GIRL, between the age of 13 and 20 years would be purchased, if well recommended. Apply at this office. January 24. d4t

Notice.

IN consequence of the ill health of Mr. Thomas Cochran, the partnership of Jenkins & Cochran, was dissolved by mutual consent and arrangement, on the 15th March last. The affairs of the concern will be closed by the subscriber, who continues the Dry Good business as formerly. WALTER JENKINS. eodt

Dividend.

The creditors of ELIZABETH VERNES, late of Baltimore county, deceased, are hereby notified, that a distribution of the assets in hand will take place at the counting house of the subscriber, in Baltimore street, on Monday the 16th February next, and that the exclusion of those who neglect to observe this notice.

WALTER JENKINS, Administrator of Elizabeth Vernes. January 24. 2aw6t

To Him who has It!

WAS left at a Public House, not many hundred miles over Market street Bridge on Sunday evening last, a Green Silk Umbrella, (nearly new) with a small piece broken off the end of the crook. The present possessor is well known to the owner, and is earnestly requested to send it to this Office, before Wednesday next, otherwise he may hear of something to his disadvantage. January 24. d3t

Six Cents Reward.

RAN away from the Subscriber on the 24th of December last, THOMAS HENSON. He is about 5 feet 6 inches high, with fair hair, brown eyes, thin face, and very slim, and walks as if always very cold, speaks very sharp. Had on when he ran away, a blue jacket and trousers, with striped swansdown waistcoat. He has been seen in town and on the Point, and expects to go to sea. The above reward, and all reasonable charges will be paid, if brought home, to LEWIS REESE, Cedar Cooper, near the Seminary, on the Hook's-Town road, Baltimore. N. B. I forewarn masters of vessels, and others from harboring or carrying off said boy. January 24. d3t

Pocket Book.

LOST on Fell's-Point, on the afternoon of the twenty-second instant, a small red Morocco POCKET BOOK, containing 42 \$ in Bank Notes, 9 of \$5 each and 2 \$ in notes of the Farmers' Bank of Maryland. Also, a note of hand for 77 \$, dated the 7th day of March, 1806, payable 12 months after date, and sundry papers of no use but to the owner. Twenty dollars reward will be given for the Pocket Book, with the contents, on leaving it at the Office of the Federal Gazette. January 24. eodt

Mare Stolen.

STOLEN from the subscriber's wagon at the Black Horse Tavern, head of Market-street, last night, about 10 o'clock, a light bay MARE, fourteen hands high, eight years old, has a star on her forehead, no brand, is a natural pacer, well forward, spirited, and in good order. A reward of 10 dollars will be paid for the thief and Mare, if the thief be brought to conviction, and five dollars for the Mare only, and all reasonable expenses paid if brought home, to THOMAS EVELY, Near New-Market, Frederick county. January 24. d3t

Six Dollars Reward.

WAS lost some days since, on the road from Baltimore to Annapolis a gilt SABLE, with a handle ornamented with shell. It is suspended by a black leather belt embroidered with gold, and a gilt plate with an anchor. On the lower part of the hilt of the Sabre is written, ne au Cap. de V. Krohm, 1803, Havanna. There is also with it a golden GALLOWAY, with fringes hanging down, attached to it. Whoever will deliver said sabre either to the commander, Krohm, at Annapolis, or to Mr. Le Loup, French consul at Baltimore, shall receive the above reward. January 24. d6t