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Extra of a letter from our consul at Go-
thenburg, in Sweden, dated the 10th of
February, 1798, to a merchant in this
city.

"We have just received the account of
Hamburg having been shut against the
English vessels. If it is the case, you know
what advantage for the general trade may be
found in the free port of Gothenburg. Its
situation, at the bottom of the North-Sea,
before entering the Baltic, renders it the
most proper for the exchange of all American
and West-India produce, as well as those of
all countries surrounding the north and the
Baltic seas. Gothenburg has been declared
a free port for twenty years, by an ordi-
nance of his Swedish majesty, dated at
Stockholm the 22d of March, 1794. All
kinds of merchandize imported by neutral
or foreign bottoms, are, & can be, deposit-
ed here, without paying the customary du-
ties, but for home consumption: no found-
duty to be paid. No privateers to be found
passing north-about. All nations have trade
connections with Sweden; and here is a
squadron fitting out to protect the neutral
commerce.

"You may rely upon these circumstan-
ces: communicate them to your friends,
and depend upon my veracity and friend-
ship to the Americans."

PHILADELPHIA, April 24.

Arrived—Schooner Lydia, Fearson,
Havanna; 12 days.

Captain Fearson, of the schooner Lydia,
from the Havanna, informs, that an em-
bargo had existed there for 32 days pre-
vious to his sailing: that he came out the
12th instant in company with a fleet of
40 sail and upwards, for different ports of
the United States, one for which only,
(the schooner Hope of New-York) was
for this port.

The ship Four Friends, Glenn, and
schooner Jane, Conyngham, from hence had
arrived—also a ship belonging to this port,
from Baltimore. Captain F. does not re-
collect the name.

The ship Eagle, for Hamburg, put to
sea on Sunday last.

Brig Florida, Hayes, from hence to the
Havanna, is taken by the British frigate
Squirrel, capt. Hardy, and sent into New-
Providence.

Sloop Polly, Hunt, of this port, has
put into the Havanna, in a very leaky con-
dition.

Several vessels below—names unknown.
Capt. West, of the Porga, left at King-
ston, Jamaica.

honor, will continue, as it has hitherto been,
prevalent in our councils, we hesitate not
to declare, that whenever the insolence, vio-
lence and aggressions of other nations, shall
compel our government to resistance, we are
united in one sentiment, that of supporting
its measures with all our energy. May that
Superintending Power which governs the
universe, continue to direct all your mea-
sures; that Power to which we ever wish
to appeal at every crisis of our national af-
fairs.

To which the President returned the fol-
lowing answer—

To the Inhabitants of the borough of York and
its vicinity, in the state of Pennsylvania.
Gentlemen,

THE independent spirit of this manly
address from the inhabitants of the borough
of York and its vicinity, as it is conforma-
ble to the exigencies of the times, and comes
from a place where I once had some gene-
ral acquaintance, is peculiarly agreeable to
me.

In preparing the instructions for our en-
voys to the French republic, I indulged a
pacific, and indeed a friendly conciliatory
disposition towards peace, as far as the in-
dependence of this nation, the dignity of
its government, justice to other nations,
and fidelity to our own undoubted rights
and essential interests, would permit. The
general concurrence with me in opinion
upon this occasion, as far as there has been
opportunity to know the sentiments of the
public, and your approbation in particular,
has given me great satisfaction.

The confidence you express in the wis-
dom and rectitude, energy and moderation
of the government, in all its concerns with
foreign nations, is my consolation as well
as yours.

After years of depredations and cruel-
ties, in open violation of the law of nati-
ons, and in contempt of solemn treaties,
have been borne without even tolerating the
means of self-preservation, or the instru-
ments of self-defence, the Olive branch has
been spurned, and ambassadors of peace
and friendship repeatedly rejected with
scorn.—Can still deeper humiliations be de-
manded of this country?

I most cordially unite with you, in your
supplications to that power which rules
over all, that the measures of the United
States may be directed by his wisdom, and
that you, my fellow-citizens, may be
under his benevolent protection.

JOHN ADAMS.

The Barbary was a prize vessel, purchas-
ed by the supercargo of the Mary. She
was bound from Liverpool to Martinique
with a cargo worth 60,000l. She had
three different engagements with French
privateers, the last of which was with a
cutter, in which she lost her second mate
and several men. The two cooks were cut
to pieces and thrown overboard after they
had got peaceable possession of the brig.

Captain Thomas spoke the following
vessels:

April 3, lat. 20, 43, N. long. 65, 45,
Ship Flora, of Philadelphia, prize to the
French.

April 9, sloop —, captain Pitman,
from the Mole, bound to Rhode-Island.

April 17, schooner Little Will, of Phi-
ladelphia, bound to New Orleans—all well.
Sailed in company with the schooner
Mary for Baltimore.

☞ Died this morning, Mr. Joseph Clarke,
architect, an honest and much respected
member of society. He was formerly de-
puty grand master of Free Masons in this
state. In his death the society have to la-
ment the loss of a brother, whose character
and exertions reflected great honor on the
exalted station which he held. His remains
will be conveyed in masonic order, from his
late dwelling, No. 21, South High-street,
Old Town, to-morrow at 3 o'clock, P. M.
☞ His friends are requested to accept
of this invitation to attend his funeral.

PORT of BALTIMORE.

ENTERED,
Brig Barbara, Thomas, West-Indies
Snow Charlotte, Low, do.
Sch'r. Adonis, Alden, do.
Telegraphe, Kilburne, do.
Hope, Benson, do.
Felicity, Gardner, do.
Juno, Price, do.
Adeline, Tear, do.
Sloop Nelly, Pease, do.

CLEARED,
Ship Fidelity, Weems, West-Indies
Sch'r. Redress, Claiborne, do.

☞ The Letter-Bag of the brig Crona,
capt. Henry Daancken, for Bremen, will be
taken from the Post Office on SATURDAY
EVENING next.

NOTICE.

THE subscribers to the Library Company of
Baltimore are hereby informed, that the
library will be shut on Monday next, the 30th
instant, and will continue so.

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