WASHINGTON CITY.

FRIDAY, MAY 27.

Plato made a voyage to Sicily to visit Mount Ætna. Dionysius, the tyrant of Syracuse, was desirous of discoursing with him. The conversation turned on happiness, justice and real greatness. Plato having maintained that no human being could be so abject and wretched as an unjust prince, Dionysius exclaimed in a rage, "You speak like a dotard"— "And you like a tyrant," answered Plato—

Those were honest times, when science dared to hold the language of truth to tyrants. How different is the language of science at this day! The remark of Plato is not the less true, nor are illustrations, equally conspicuous with the tyrant of Syracuse, wanting. But philosophers have become courtiers, and in their intercourse with tyrants we remark more of adulation than reproof. Europe has her philosophers, and her tyrants, and the one seem as contented with gold as the other with power. The love of money is certainly the ruling passion of the age.

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Mr. Smith,

You are requested to publish the following ticket agreed upon yesterday by a number of citizens.

Daniel Carroll of Dud'n,
Benjamin More,
Griffith Coombe,
William Brent,
Charles Minifie,
Samuel Smallwood,
Samuel H. Smith,
John P. Vanness,
James Hoban,
Richard King,
Joseph Hodgson,
John Hewitt,

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Mr. Smith,

As the period of Election is at hand for members of the City Council, I submit the following ticket to the consideration of the citizens—and request an early insertion thereof—in your paper.

William Prout,
Richard Frazier,
Robert W. Peacock,
James Hoban,
Cornelius Cunningham,
Leonard Harbaugh,
John P. Vanness,
Samuel H. Smith,
John Hewitt,
Nicholas King,
William Brent,
Benjamin More,

NO POLITICIAN,

Washington May 23, 1804.

We are authorised to state that DANIEL C. BRENT declines election as a member of the City Council.

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The subscriber having occasion to be frequently absent from this place, declines offering to serve as a member of the City Council.

JAMES BARRY.

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To the Editor of the National Intelligencer.

In your paper of this date I find some criticisms on my remarks concerning the taxes of the city of Washington. I am well satisfied that there subsists between the writer of that article and myself an essential difference of opinion on this subject. At the same time that difference is contained within much narrower limits than would appear from the observations, and the calculations which accompany them. I shall not at this time occupy the public mind with a fruitless controversy in a matter, which from the different lights in which it may be viewed is peculiarly liable to be misunderstood; but I will take the opportunity to promise, that if on examination my impression in any particular appears to be erroneous, I shall not hesitate to correct it in a prompt and public manner. I hope that in the epithets selected by the writer, he does not intend to charge me with an *intentional error.*

AUGUSTUS B. WOODWARD.

Washington, May 25.

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FOR THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER.

Since my arrival in this city I have seen published anonymous extracts from two letters, said to be from officers of the United States frigates the John Adams and the New-York, which convey assertions deeply injurious to my reputation, calculated to excite public mistrust, and to exhibit me to the world in a character which I am conscious of not having intentionally merited. But those assertions are erroneous in matter of fact, and still more so in construction; charging me with responsibility for injustice and outrage which ought to fix on an unrighteous Barbary tyrant, and under which I myself have been a principal sufferer.

I request the public will suspend opinion until a candid investigation may be had on the subject, and a fair exposition of facts may enable them to correct first impressions. In the mean time, let it not be deemed arrogant, when I assert that if the honor and the interest of the United States have not been suitably supported on the Barbary coast, the event must be traced to causes beyond the influence of my agency there; that instead of aiming to defraud my country, I have embarked every thing dear to me in her service; and that, if measures which I have embraced, in which I have persevered, and which have received the approbation of every intelligent American citizen acquainted therewith, had been effectually supported by the force employed for that purpose the United States would most probably, ere this period, have obtained an honorable peace with Tripoli, and left favourable impressions of our energy on the other regencies. To the justice of this observation every commander in the navy, who has served on that coast, will bear testimony.

It is hoped, and believed, the object aimed at by those measures is not yet left.

WILLIAM EATON.

Washington, May 24.

☞ The printers who have published the extracts above alluded to will have the courtesy to publish this note.

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Extract of a letter from Mr. Simpson Consul of the United States, at Tangier, to the Secretary of State, dated 28 March, 1803.

Yesterday Thomas Beck and David Ervin late seamen belonging to the schooner Betsey of Norfolk Virginia, arrived here from Morocco, redeemed by the emperor from the Arabs: they have been delivered to me, and will be sent to Gibraltar by the first opportunity. On the 3d inst. John Brodie belonging to the same vessel, was redeemed by Mr. Gwyn, at Mogadore. It appears both by his declaration, and that of those men, the schooner on a voyage from Norfolk for Madeira having missed that Island, endeavoured to make Teneriffe, in which they were also defeated, and fell in with the coast of Africa about latitude 26 degrees on the 28 h June last year, when they came to anchor and sent the boat on shore with two men in quest of water; these not returning, on the evening of the 29th, it was determined to cut the vessel's cable, and let her drift on shore, as they had been without water for nine days. The mate Charles Rivers was drowned in the surf—the master Samuel Shore, died on the beach the following day from weakness and fatigue. Thomas Lewis the only other person of the crew, went in quest of water soon after the captain. Brodie and he got on shore, but did not return, nor has any of the three who have been recovered heard any thing of him in the country. At the time the Emperor paid the Arabs for Beck and Ervin he strongly encharged them to make every enquiry after Lewis, and I have instructed Mr. Gwyn to do the same. If he be alive, which I very much doubt of, it's highly probable we shall recover him.

We never have been able to get any tidings of the two negroes who belonged to the Oswego, none other of that ship's company remain with the Arabs Hill and Boyer were sent by the governor of Tarudaunt to the Emperor at Morocco, and he immediately sent them to Mr. Gwyn.

The redemption of men under such circumstances, is attended with expense, indeed it is absolutely necessary to hold forth good encouragement to the Arabs to bring them in, to prevent their destroying or keeping in perpetual slavery, such christians as may at a future day fall under similar misfortunes. For people redeemed by the Emperor we only pay their travelling expenses and a gratuity to the soldiers he sends to accompany them on their journey.—

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Our readers will peruse with satisfaction the speech of Governor Trumbull to the Legislature of Connecticut. It evinces the flourishing and happy situation of a sister state; and comments on *appropriate* subjects. It contains no denunciation of the general government. On the contrary it acknowledges "a wise and industrious improvement of a state of peace and tranquility *under a mild and happy constitution and government.*"

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DIED at Boston, *John Codman*—At Philadelphia, *William Smith*, late Provost of the College of Philadelphia.

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Academy of arts—We are informed that the Directors of the Academy of Arts, are making arrangements to procure the Rotunda of the Circus for the reception of the Busts and Statues just received from Europe. The Rotunda is to be fitted up in a style of simplicity and elegance, adapted to display the beauties of the *casts.* [*Morn. Chron.*

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The Governor of South Carolina has issued his proclamation—"notifying and declaring, that *Thomas Lowndes, William Butler, Benjamin Huger, Wade Hampton, Richard Winn, Levi Carney, Thomas Moore,* and *John Earle,* Esquires, had the majority of votes in their respective districts, and are duly elected Representatives in the Congress of the United States from that state."

The State of *South-Carolina* sends to the next Congress, eight Representatives—out of which number six are decidedly *Republican.*

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Captain Rogers, of the brig Ann from Leghorne, informs that the night before he sailed (March 31st) an English frigate entered the port of Leghorn with instruction to the British merchant vessels, about 20 in number, to haul out within 48 hours, to avoid the consequence of an embargo, which it was expected would be laid immediately, from the prospect of approaching hostilities between France and England. All the French troops at Leghorn had been ordered home to join their respective regiments. Two American frigates were at Malta, and one in the Bay of Tetuan.

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Captain Bell of the Sea-Flower, informs, that he left Leith the 14th of April, and that a British 54 gun ship, 3 frigates and a number of cutters had sailed for the coast of Holland, to intercept the French expedition that were preparing to sail for Louisiana; that great warlike preparations were still going on, that it was the opinion of most people at Leith hostilities would soon commence.

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It appears, from experiments made formerly in the state of Pennsylvania, that a bushel of *Sunflower* seed yields a gallon of oil; and that an acre of ground, planted with the seed at three feet apart, will yield between forty and fifty bushels of the seed. This oil is as mild as sweet oil, and is equally agreeable with it in sallads, and as a medicine. It may moreover be used with advantage in paints, varnishes, and ointments. From its being manufactured in our country, it may always be procured and used in a fresh state. The oil is pressed from the seed in the same manner that cold drawn linseed oil is obtained from flaxseed and with as little trouble. Sweet oil sells for six shillings a quart. Should the oil of the sun-flower seed sell for only two thirds of the price, the produce of an acre of ground supposing it only to yield forty bushels of the seed, will be thirty two pounds, a sum far beyond the product of an acre of ground in any kind of grain. The seed is raised without trouble, and grows in land of moderate fertility. It may be gathered and shelled, fit for the extraction of the oil by women and children.

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Mr. Wurzur, professor of chemistry in Bonne, has proved by experiments that 31-2 lbs. of jelly may be obtained by dissolving 1 lb. ox-bones; and advises the making of nutritious soups from bones only. Every pound of ox-bone will yield, beside the jelly, 1-4lb. of fat. He thinks that soup sufficient for 13 people may be made with 8 pounds of jelly, (obtained from 2lbs. of bones) 2lb. of barley meal, 6lbs. of potatoes, 1 onion, 8 or 10 ounces of salt. He recommends, likewise, the addition of spices and various culinary herbs and roots.

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A physician of Paris has published an account of his process and success in restoring to her speech a young woman who had been dumb several years, by the application of *moxa.* By a letter from the Abbe Sicard to a person at Genoa, we learn that an institution similar to his, for the instruction of the deaf and dumb, has been established at that place, and that the king of Spain had sent him a person to be taught the method he has adopted, in order to establish a similar institution. It is known that the king of England was so much pleased with the progress of a young gentleman taken from Paris to London, about the year 1794, that he immediately founded a similar establishment at one of the universities.

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Frankfort, April 28.

Mr. John Instone's Schooner GO-BY, commanded by capt. Jones, an experienced seaman, sailed from this place on yesterday morning, having on board a valuable cargo, destined for the West-India market. To the honor of the citizens who witnessed the departure of this vessel, it may be truly said, that a greater degree of anxiety was never exhibited on a similar occasion. Viewing it as a first experiment, and if successful, a happy presage of the rising importance of this country in the scale of commercial enterprize,—every one seemed to participate in the feelings of her public spirited owner.

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New York, May 23.

Accounts by the Arabella packet are not so late as those received by former arrivals: the intelligence she brings, of course, does not possess material interest.

From the information we have been able to collect the war preparations were going on with a degree of spirit and activity in all parts of Great Britain, that seemed to indicate the most hostile expectations. The public mind continued in a state of uncertainty; but the best informed appeared to make their calculations for war.

Col. Barclay, the British consul for the eastern states arrived in the packet.

The Battalion court of enquiry is adjourned until Saturday next at 4 o'clock P. M. at Lovel's Hotel, when and where the delinquents of Capts. E. Patterson's, Brown's and Andrews's companies will have an opportunity of offering their excuses. JOHN P. VAN NESS.

NOTICE.

Mr. Hadfield, who is appointed to superintend the building of the Theatre in this city, will proceed with the same immediately. Those who have subscribed labour will call on Mr. Hadfield on or before Monday next, to receive his instructions respecting the digging of the foundation.

THE COMMITTEE.

Washington, May, 27.

FRANCIS DONNELLY,
Schoolmaster,

LATE from Philadelphia, purposes to open School on Monday next, near the West Market, in the commodious building lately occupied by Israel Loring as an auction store, where will be taught Spelling, Reading, Writing, English Grammar, Arithmetic, Book Keeping, History, and Geography; together with the use of Maps Globes, &c.

The utmost attention will be paid to the manners and morals of the pupils committed to his care.

Washington City, May 27. 3t

Columbian Library.

THE shareholders who have not yet paid the last annual payment of two dollars on each share, which became due on the first day of January last, are requested to send it in to the subscriber at the Library, on or before the first Wednesday in June.

By order of the Directors
DAVID WILY, *Librarian.*

George town, May 27.

☞ Catalogues of the books may be had at the Library. 2t

Would wish to engage in some healthy Country situation.

A person who has practised teaching an English School fifteen years, and can produce Certificates expressing the approbation of those parents who have favoured him with the tuition of their Children—He professes teaching Spelling, Reading and writing with propriety, Mercantile, Vulgar and Decimal Arithmetic, Book keeping, Mensuration Geography &c. In all which, he will engage to give satisfaction to whoever may employ him—some healthy part of Virginia will be preferred, and a line directed (post paid) to the Editor of this paper will be duly attended to.

FOR SALE,

For a term of 5 years,

A LIKELY young and healthy NEGRO MAN, about 23 years of age for sale by—ROBERT M'CLAN.

Washington May 25. 1aw3t,

By his Excellency John Francis Mercer,
Governor of the State Maryland.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it appeareth unto me by an Inquisition taken before Robert Moore, Esquire, one of the Coroners of Baltimore county, that a most cruel and atrocious Murder and Robbery were committed on the person of ADAM WABLE, paper maker, a respectable and aged citizen of Anne Arundel county, by some unknown hand, on or about the thirtieth day of March last, which Inquisition hath been returned to me, accompanied by a memorial of sundry respectable inhabitants of the counties of Baltimore and Anne Arundel, and the city of Baltimore, praying the Interposition of government: And Whereas the quiet and security of the good people of this Commonwealth depend on the vigilance of the constituted authorities in causing the laws against such enormities to be duly executed—I have therefore thought proper to issue this my proclamation; and I do by and with the advice and consent of Council, hereby offer a reward of FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS, to whoever will discover the author or perpetrators of the aforesaid murder and robbery; provided he she or they, or any of them, be convicted thereof; and moreover, I do, by virtue of the authority and powers in me vested, hereby promise a full and free pardon to any person being an accomplice, who shall discover the perpetrator or perpetrators of the said murder and robbery on the aforesaid condition.

Given in council at the city of Annapolis, under the seal of the state of Maryland, this sixteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three.

JOHN FR. MERCER.

By his excellency's command.

NINIAN PICKNEY,
Clerk of the Governor and Council.

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In Council, Annapolis, May 15, 1803.

Ordered, that the foregoing proclamation be published three times in each week for the space of three weeks successively in the American, Telegraph, and Federal Gazette, at Baltimore; the National Intelligencer, the Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis; the Republican Advocate, Herald and Bartgis's paper, at Fredericktown; and Mr Smith's paper at Easton.

By order,
NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk.

May 20.

CHARLES VARDEN,
TAYLOR
FROM PHILADELPHIA.

HAS received from Philadelphia an elegant assortment of the best quality Superfine Cloths, Cassimeres, Silk florintine, Black and fancy silk moleskin velvet, white & figured Marseilles, Swansdown, Toilinettes, Velveteens, Fancy cords, Coating, &c.

With a variety of other articles suitable for the winter season.

N. B. Ladies Habits, Regimentals and Navy uniforms made in the first style of fashion.

New-Jersey Avenue, the second House from the Capitol Square.

December 8, 1802.

Resolved by the first and second Chambers of the City Council of Washington, That the Mayor be authorised to receive proposals and contract for the printing of five hundred copies of the laws passed by the first City Council of Washington, and annexed thereto a list of all the officers of the Corporation with their places of residence.

JAMES BARRY,
President of the first Chamber of the City Council of Washington

DANL. CARROLL, of Dud'n
President of the second Chamber of the City Council of Washington,

Approved, May 25th. 1803

ROBERT BRENT, *Mayor.*

True Copy,
Test,
THOMAS HERTY, Reg.
of the City of Washington.

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Proposals for printing the laws of the Corporation agreeably to the foregoing resolution may be left by those desirous of undertaking the business, at Mr. Herty's office.

May 25.

FIRST LEGION.

ATTENTION!

AT a Legionary Court of Enquiry, held on the 15th day of March last, in obedience to a law passed at the last session of Congress, intituled, "An act more effectually to provide for the organization of the Militia of the District of Columbia," ordered that the following be the Uniform to be worn by all non-commissioned officers and privates belonging to the battalion companies of the first Legion while on duty, viz. A DARK BLUE COAT of ordinary length, WHITE VEST, WHITE BREECHES and WHITE STOCKINGS, or WHITE PANTALOONS and WHITE STOCKINGS or WHITE OVERALLS, with SHOES and ROUND BLACK HAT: which Uniform having been approved by the Brigadier General, is now published by order of the said court

WM. D. BEALL, Clerk of L. C. E.

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Sec. 27. And be it further enacted, That all non commissioned officers and privates, belonging to battalion companies, shall appear while on duty, uniformly clothed, the color and fashion of which uniforms to be determined on for the respective legions, by the first legionary courts of enquiry which shall be held, and to be approved of by the Brigadier General; provided the expense of the same, additional to that of usual, ordinary, and cheap clothing, does not exceed five dollars for each person, and every such non commissioned officer, or drummer, or fifer, or private, appearing at any muster held after three months from the time that such uniform shall have been determined on, and the order relative thereto shall have been published in some newspaper within the legionary district, and not wearing the same, shall be fined five dollars for each offence, unless he can make it appear to the satisfaction of the court of enquiry of the battalion to which he may belong, that he was unable to equip himself.

All persons having claims or demands of any nature against the subscriber, are requested to exhibit their accounts, without delay, to JOHN HEWIT or RICHARD FORREST, Esqrs. of the city of Washington, who are authorised in my name, to adjust and settle the same and all persons indebted to me are requested to make payment to either of the gentlemen above named.

SAMUEL BLODGET.

March 30. tf

The subscriber has for sale,

A QUANTITY OF

Claret in bottles,	Jamaica Spirits,
Anchovies in boxes,	Whisky in barrels,
Capers in ditto,	New-England cheese,
Olives in ditto,	Imperial Tea in chests,
Olive Oil in ditto,	Butter in Firkins,
Sugar in hhds. & bls	&c. &c.

WILLIAM BRENT.

Washington, May 11. tf

JOHN GOULDING,
BROKER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT,

HATH LATELY RECEIVED FROM BALTIMORE & PHILADELPHIA,
AND FOR SALE,

Cogniac Brandy,
Old Spirit,
Claret, } Wines of good quality & fit for immediate use.
Red Port,
Madeira, &
Sherry,
Hare's Philadelphia Porter,
Fresh Teas, &c. &c. to be sold Cheap for Cash.

He wants to purchase,

One hundred Shares of Columbia Bank Stock for cash

George-town, May 18. 4w

Carpenters and Labourers Wanted.

Wanted to work on the Bridge over the eastern Branch of Potomak, a number of rough Capenters, also a number of labourers by the month, to whom employment will be given during the whole of the summer. Their wages will be paid monthly, and the best prices will be given. Application to be made to the Subscriber.

WILLIAM BRENT.
Treasurer of the Eastern Branch Bridge Company April 18th. ep 3w