bottom will require straw previous to the hemp being laid thereon.

† *A man that understands the breaking and swingling hemp, will clean 40 to 50 weight per day.*

WASHINGTON CITY.

WEDNESDAY, June 27.

The resolutions offered in the Massachusetts Legislature by Mr. Ely, merit the notice of the people of the United States; not because at the present time, the principles they contain and the effects to which such principles necessarily lead can be in the least dangerous, but because it is all important that in the present period of tranquility, when permanent impressions may be expected to be made, a clear understanding should be had of the motives of men, who under different circumstances might, by the wantonness of an intemperate ambition, hazard the peace and destroy the unity of the nation.

So many indications have been recently made of a wide spread purpose in the Eastern states to sow the seeds of disunion, that it cannot be considered uncharitable to pronounce this measure a link in the general chain that unites a body of men, who having been disappointed in their lofty hopes of directing the operations of the general government, are ready, nay anxious, in order to regain their abused power, to subject their country to all the evils of dismemberment.

It is impossible for a moment to entertain the belief that Mr. Ely or his federal friends have the least hope of success in the proposed amendment destructive of that portion of representation derived from slaves. We say it is impossible; for, however, in the abstract, we may consider that basis of representation incorrect, it is universally known that the provision of the constitution which establishes it was one of the many features of concession with which it is replete. And, however, unequal the representation in the councils of the general government may, on first view, appear, it is a fact, which has been demonstrated, that the superior political strength in the House of Representatives given to the Southern states is more than counterbalanced by that acquired in the Senate, & in the election of a President under the constitution by the Eastern states and other states not containing slaves.—For instance, the states of Rhode Island, New-Hampshire, Connecticut, New-Jersey, Vermont, Delaware and Ohio, which, according to the ratio of numbers, would be only entitled to seven Senators and thirty-one Electors, have, from the prevalence of a different principle, fourteen Senators and thirty four Electors. The absolute gain by these states in the Senate—the most important department of the government, inasmuch as it combines legislative, executive and judicial powers, reposed in the same men for the long period of six years,—is, therefore, seven votes out of thirty-four, which is equal to twenty eight votes in the House of Representatives. Let us see whether the representatation of slaves confers upon the states containing them so many additional members. By the last census, which is the basis of the present apportionment of Representatives, there appear to be in the states of Maryland, Virginia, South-Carolina, North-Carolina, Georgia, Kentucky and Tennessee

	Slaves.
	843,000
From this number are to be deducted those in the other states,	47,000
leaving	796 000.

This number of slaves, according to the provision of the Constitution entitles the states containing them to fifteen Representatives. The account, then, stands thus.—The smaller states, principally eastern, without a black population, gain a weight beyond that to which their numbers entitle them in the Senate equivalent to 28 representatives.

The southern and western states containing slaves, gain	15
leaving a balance in favor of the former of	13.

Without taken into consideration their gain in the choice of the electors of President and Vice-President, which is very considerable.

If then the Eastern states are so desirous of establishing the several departments of the federal government on the basis of numbers; if their sincere wish is that a majority shall govern: let them come forward with a proposition of amendment that shall place the election of the President and Senators on the same footing. Then, indeed, their professions would be consistent with their conduct. But, while they declare their object to be an equalisation of power according to numbers, and, at the same time, propose measures whose necessary effect would be to render more unequal that apportionment which is already so much in their favor, the world will give them credit neither for purity of motive nor patriotism.

At a meeting of the citizens of Washington on Monday last; ROBERT BRENT in the chair, it was agreed to celebrate the FOURTH of JULY by a dinner at Stelle's Hotel, to which the company of Ladies should be requested.

The following committee of Arrangement were appointed—

ROBERT BRENT,
CAPT. CARSON,
JOHN BECKLEY,
JUDGE KILTY,
THOMAS MUNROE,
RICHARD FORREST,
DOCTOR WILLIS.

Russia & Great-Britain.

Mr. Fox on the 13th April in the House of Commons put a question to the ministers relative to a negociation between Great Britain and the court of Russia, on the subject of mediation with France. He had recently heard reports that important negociations with Russia were now pending. He wished to know whether or not this was fact.

The chancellor of the Exchequer replied that he had promised already that the whole of the papers relative to this subject should be laid before the house, so soon as circumstances would permit. Reasons were still in existence which would render it ineligible to comply with the wishes of the gentlemen at present.

GREENOCK, April 21.

The following letter from Amsterdam was received in Glasgow yesterday, from which it appears, to be the determination of the French to exclude us entirely from the German market.

"The French troops have taken possession of Meppen near Embden, belonging the duke of Ahrensberg, a great quantity of goods destined for Frankfort fair and other parts, were ordered back to Embden, to prevent their being seized by the French.—All goods that have to go to the interior of Germany by Embden, must pass through Meppen.

The following observations respecting the intercepted correspondence of Mr. Drake, are copied from the London morning Chronicle:

"A Fool and his money are soon parted."
Old Adage.

"After reading the whole of this correspondence, we are satisfied that Mr. D's intrigues are of no very great importance. If it be forged, as some say, it will of course be disavowed by Mr. D. At present we see no reason to suppose it forged. It is clear enough that Mr. D. either of himself, or by the direction of this government, endeavoured to obtain some intelligence in France; and he seems to have been willing to assist any description of persons who were desirous to overturn the existing government. There is nothing however, which can be construed into an assassination plot.

"Nay, it is obvious that Mr. Drake was totally unacquainted with the existence of that project in which Georges is supposed to have been engaged. Mr. D. was resolved to work on his own account, and in imitation, no doubt he shook at France—

"The fly sat upon the wheel, &c."

"Indeed Mr. D. seems to have been strangely ignorant of the views, character and even the very existence of the discontented associations with which his agent M. D. L. had amused him. This M. D. L. had, from his first arrival in Paris, entered into the service of the police of Paris, and bamboozled poor Mr. Drake with foolish bulletins, which furnished intelligence that threw him into extacy, and no doubt would have the same effect in the cabinet here when transmitted by Mr. D. M. D. L. to be sure, used Mr. Drake very ill, taking his money and making a fool of him.

"———Picked his pocket,
Chous'd and caldes'd him like a blockhead."

"There is indeed something ridiculous in the whole of Mr. D's letters; his idle written instructions, his sympathetic ink, and fifty other fopperies of the same kind. We throw no blame on ministers for trying to get intelligence, but this kind of traffic should be well managed. The Spartans allowed boys to steal, provided they did it adroitly. In the same manner it is proper to employ spies and gain intelligence; but those who do it aukwardly as Mr. Drake should be whipped like the Spartan youths, if they were detected.

If the letters published by the French government be really the production of Mr. Drake, it is not to be wonderd at that our affairs should go ill on the continent. It is scarcely credible, we confess, that any man who is suffered to go abroad without a travelling tutor should have done any thing so uncommonly puerile as this. No human being however sedate his disposition, and however inflexible his muscles, could read Mr. D's instructions for overturning a government, without laughing outright.

The grand judge of the French republic, indeed considers it no laughing matter. The report concludes with a passage, from which it seems manifest that an attempt will be made to get Mr. D. driven from Munich, and our residents expelled perhaps, from every court in Germany.

(By Authority.)

AN ACT
Concerning Roads and Bridges.

BE it enacted by the First and Second Chambers of the City Council of Washington, That a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated towards the erection or repair of the Bridge in Seventh street west over Tiber Creek.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That a sum not exceeding sixty dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated towards the erection or repair of the bridge on F street near ninth street.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted,* That the above sums be expended under the direction of the Mayor.

SAMUEL H. SMITH,
President of the first chamber of the city council of Washington.
Wm. BRENT *President pro-tempore of the second chamber of the city council of Washington.*
Approved, June 23d, 1804.
ROBERT BRENT, Mayor.
Test THOMAS HERTY, Reg.

AN ACT
Making an appropriation for the relief of the poor.

BE it enacted by the First and Second chambers of the City Council of Washington, That the sum of four hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the relief of poor, infirm and diseased persons; to be paid by the Treasurer to the Trustees, and expended by them in the same manner as authorised by the former acts making provision for the city poor.

GEORGE BLAGDEN, *President pro tempore of the first chamber of the city council of Washington.*
JAMES C. KING, *President pro-tempore, of the second chamber of the city council of Washington.*
Approved, June 23d, 1804.
ROBERT BRENT, Mayor.
Test THOMAS HERTY, Reg.

PROPOSAL,
For printing by Subscription,
Miscellaneous Poems,

BY MRS. ALLEN,
Consort to the Rev. Mr. Allen of Harford county,
Written before her marriage.

—*CONDITIONS*—

THE book to be printed with a clear type, and fine paper, in a duodecimo volume, and delivered to the subscribers neatly bound; price three quarters of a Dollar, half to be paid on subscribing and the residue on delivery of the book—which will be put to press as soon as three hundred copies shall be subscribed for.

Subscriptions received by Mr. Matthew Carey, Philadelphia—by Messrs. Warner and Hanna, Baltimore, and by the principal booksellers in those cities, also by Mr. Samuel Harrison Smith, Washington city.

Dr. Jacob Hall, of Harford county, of known literary character, to whose inspection these Poems were submitted, in a letter to the author, expresses his opinion of them, as follows:

MADAM,

I have been honored and gratified with the perusal of your manuscript copy of Poems. In my opinion it is a work of considerable merit, and displays true piety and poetic genius. The pastoral dialogues are commendable for their novelty, simplicity and beauty. The elegies, epistles, and especially the "Man of Misfortune," a Moral Tale, are interesting and pathetic. The Odes and Fugitive Pieces are sprightly and amusing—And the whole composition seems to breathe such a spirit of philanthropy and benevolence as cannot fail to elevate the affections, and to mend the heart—And it is to be regretted, that the author's modesty has hitherto denied the community so refined & elegant an entertainment.

Your Friend, &c.
J. HALL.
Christopher's Camp, March 24.

NOTICE.

WILL be exposed to public sale, for ready cash on the 2d day of July next on the premises, all the right title claim and interest of Joseph Boone in and to lot No. 2 in square No 1044 as laid down in the plan of the city of Washington, with a two story framed dwelling house and four other small framed houses thereon, all in good repair; taken by virtue of two writs of Fiera Facias issued from the circuit court of the district of Columbia for the county of Washington at the suit of Wilson Hunt for the use of Philip Nichlin & Robert E. Griffith—the sale will commence precisely at 12 o'clock.

DANIEL C. BRENT, Marshal.
June 11—wtdof

For the information of the Freeholders of the state of Virginia.

THE following correct list of the persons who compose the REPUBLICAN TICKET of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, is published. The election for the choice of Electors will be holden in each county and corporation on the first Monday in November next.

PHILIP N. NICHOLAS, Chairman.
JOHN H. FOUSHEE, Sec'y.
Richmond, May 25, 1804.

Republican Ticket.

Richard E. Lee,	*of Norfolk borough.*
John Goodrich,	— *Isle of Wight.*
Edward Pegram,	— *Dinwiddie.*
Dr. Richard Field,	— *Brunswick.*
Thomas Read,	— *Charlotte.*
Creed Taylor,	— *Cumberland.*
William H. Cabell,	— *Amherst,*
George Penn,	— *Patrick*
George Wythe,	— *City of Richmond.*
John Taylor,	— *Caroline*
Larkin Smith,	— *King and Queen.*
John Minor,	— *Spotsylvania.*
William Ellzey,	— *Loudoun.*
William Dudley,	— *Warwick.*
Mann Page,	— *Gloucester.*
John Taliaferro, jr.	— *King George.*
Richard Brent,	— *Prince William.*
Hugh Holmes,	— *Frederick*
James Dailey,	— *Hampshire.*
James Allen,	— *Shenandoah.*
Archibald Stuart,	— *Augusta.*
James M'Farlane,	— *Russel.*
Gen. John Preston,	— *Montgomery.*
William M'Kinley,	— *Ohio.*

June 27—4w

A HOUSE TO LET,

Upon square No. 728 Capitol Hill is a small convenient DWELLING HOUSE calculated for a store or for a tradesman's shop, and suitable for a small family with the lot newly fenced in for a garden—Immediate possession may be had by applying at Mr. Stelle's hotel to

GEORGE WALKER.
Washington June 27—3t

PUBLIC SALE,

WILL be sold on Monday the 25th instant, at 10 o'clock A. M. to the highest bidder, at STELLE'S TAVERN on CAPITOL HILL, LOT No. THIRTEEN, in square 691 in the CITY of WASHINGTON. The terms will be made known at the time of sale, or on application to

JER. CONNOR, Auctioneer.
Georgetown, June 22—3t.

*** The above sale is postponed until FRIDAY the 29th inst. at 10 o'clock A. M. when it will take place at Mr. Rhodes's tavern without reserve.

J. C.

MEDITERRANEAN PASSPORTS.

Notice is hereby given, that it has been deemed expedient to change the form of the Mediterranean Passport issued to vessels of the United States; that from the eighth day of July next, those of the new form will be issued at the custom houses to every vessel, for which application may be made on a compliance with the terms prescribed by law and surrendering the former passport of which she may be possessed, if any, in which latter case no fees will be required for the exchange: and that by an arrangement agreed upon by the Barbary powers, with whom we are at peace, either the old or the new form of passport will be sufficient to protect the vessels of the United States, from capture until the 1st of July 1805, after which the old form of passport will be unavailable and the new one alone in use.

Department of State,
23d of May, 1804

The printers of the laws of the United States are requested to insert the above in their Gazettes twice a week for the space of six months, and the Collectors of the Customs to keep copies of it posted up in their offices.

May 30—2aw6m

THEATRE.

PROPOSALS will be received until Tuesday the third of July inclusive, by either of the subscribers, for finishing in a plain style the INTERIOR of the Theatre, for CASH, payable as the work progresses.

Arrangements having been made for the immediate execution of the roof, the contractors for finishing the interior will be expected to proceed without delay, and to give security to complete it for performance before the first day of November next.

JOHN P. VAN NESS,
SAMUEL H. SMITH,
THOMAS LAW,
ROBERT BRENT,
WILLIAM BRENT.
Directors.

PROPOSALS
By THOMAS HERTY,
Of the City of Washington, Conveyancer, for publishing by SUBSCRIPTION
The Second Volume of his
DIGEST OF THE
Laws of Maryland.

IT will contain all the public acts of assembly passed since the publication of the first volume to the present time, which have not been repealed—that is, the acts of the sessions of 1798, 1799, 1800, 1801, 1802 and 1803. It will be printed of the same size, in the same order of arrangement and have reference to such parts of the first volume as are repealed, expired or which may otherwise undergo alterations, with a neat Index: subjoined to which, will be given by way of Appendix, a variety of precedents adapted to the law, for the use of justices of the peace, &c. &c.

CONDITIONS.

1. It will be put to press as soon as a sufficient number of subscribers is procured to defray the expence of the work, and finished immediately thereafter as soon a strict attention to neatness and accuracy will admit.

2. Price to subscribers 2 Dollars stitched, to be paid for on delivery; to non-subscribers the price will be enhanced.

3. Those procuring 9 subscribers, and accountable for the money, will be entitled to an additional copy.

Subscriptions received by the Editor at his office near the Treasury Department, by the Booksellers in Maryland, and by those in whose hands subscription papers are left.

☞ Printers of Newspapers in Maryland giving the above the publicity will be entitle to a copy.

N. B. He has in forwardness and will issue proposals as soon as ready for

A System of Conveyancing

calculated for each state in the union; to the precedents of each species, will be prefixed observations on their nature and use, the law on the subject of alienation by deed of each particular state, shall be exhibited, and how such deed shall be authenticated when executed as well by residents as by non-residents, or, as well in the state as out of the state; together with other interesting particulars.

March 19— wtf.

—NOTICE.—

THERE was committed as a Run away to the jail of Frederick county, a negro boy who calls himself George and says he belongs to Capt. Newman of George Town; he is about 13 years of age four feet seven inches high, his clothing are a tow linen shirt and a pair of coarse blue cloth trowsers. If his master does not release him from jail he will be sold for jail fees agreeable to law.

GEORGE CREAGER, Sheriff
Frederick county.
June 23—

RUNAWAY NEGRO.

WAS committed to the jail of Frederick county as a runaway on the 12th February last, a negro man who calls himself JOHN RASHER, he is about 28 or 30 years old, five feet five or six inches high; a good well made fellow; his clothing are a grey coat, a striped waistcoat and corduroy trowsers. If his owner does not release him he will be sold for his jail fees according to law.

GEORGE CREAGER, Sheriff,
Frederick county.
June 21—

NOTICE.

THERE was committed as a runaway to the jail of Frederick county, a negro man who calls himself CRASA LANGSTON, and says he belongs to Mr. Isaac Langston of Herford county North Carolina; he is about 37 years of age, five feet seven inches high, a stout well made fellow—his clothing are a grey woollen coat with a blue cape, cotton striped waistcoat and trowsers and a tow linen shirt, he also has four scars on the back of his neck. If his master does not release him he will be sold for the jail fees agreeable to law.

GEORGE CREAGER, Sheriff,
of Frederick county.
June 25—

NOTICE.

THERE was committed to the jail of Frederick county, as runaways, a negro man who calls himself JIM, and a Mulatto woman who calls herself MIMA, and says they belong to Mr. Peter Larkins of Farquhar county Virginia; said Jim is about thirty four or five years of age, five feet five or six inches high, a stout well made fellow, his cloathing are a blue coat and waistcoat, tow linen shirt and trowsers, he has also a scar on his breast——Mima is about twenty five years of age, five feet one or two inches high, stout and well made, her clothing are a blue short gown, white lincey petticoat and a tow linen shift. If their owner does not release them from jail they will be sold for their jail fees agreeably to law.

GEORGE CREAGER, Sheriff,
Frederick county.
June 21—

Cheap Goods.
JOHN COX

HAS received a large and handsome assortment of Spring and Summer goods, and is happy in having it in his power to sell them unusually low.

George Town, May 14—ep2m

In the case of NICOLAS FEBRUARY
An Insolvent debtor,

SIX months from and after the first day of March, is limited, and appointed for the creditors to bring in, and exhibit their claims to the trustee, and that notice be given in the Washington Federalist, and National Intelligencer once a month, three times in each paper before the expiration of said term—It is further ordered, that the trustee sell the property of the insolvent, at public sale to the highest bidder, on a credit of 6 months, giving six months previous notice thereof, by public advertisement, in the same papers once a week for 6 weeks prior to the day of sale.

By order, Wm. Cranch, Esq.
URIAH FORREST, Clk.
March 7.—1am3t