tury ; but its preſent ſituation is not very flattering to our author's expectations.

' To all (he ſays) ' who live in the higher or middle ranks, the means of uſeful inſtruction will never fail, if the rulers of each country ſhould, without permittin, licentiouſneſs, encourage an enlarged and ſalutary freedom of the preſs. The melancholy events of our times have occaſioned its limitation. Should its freedom be more abridged, we may juſtly entertain doubts of the progreſs of humanity ; but I hope that the friends of Virtue in the higher ranks will be anxious to demonſtrate to every adminiſtration the true influence of the freedom of the preſs. This freedom is the ſupport of the throne ; and, far from having an influence in promoting the French revolution, it is certain that without ſome freedom of the preſs, Fance would have been ſooner formed into a republic. Before printing was invented, there were revolutions and republics in the world. The pen of a writer is incapable of moving a community which feels its ſituation to be ſupportable: on the contrary, it can only reſtrain the hands of the people, and prevent their indignation from riſing to ſuch a height as to break through all ſocial order. Where the freedom of the preſs does not exiſt, the ſovereign cannot hear the wiſh s of his ſubjects, receive their complaints, or diſcover the oppreſſion which, probably againſt his will, is weighing them down ; hence they who deſpiſe and oppreſs the people become haughty, and conſole themſelves in the obſcurity in which they wander.

That the next generation will attain to a higher degree of moral perfection is a conſolatory doctrine ; and it may be a ſpur to us to remove, as quickly as poſſible, our own failings.

' Our mode of life has erroneouſly introduced an artificial luxury into the articles of firſt neceſſity, and multiplied our real wants by innumerable arts. A feminine education has rendered the preſent world ſo weak, that in ſpite of all the remonſtrances of reaſon, it cannot ſoon tear away the bands of ſervitude. Virtue is at preſent too enlarged for man, if it diſturbs him in any enjoyment of luxury or effeminate repoſe. Perhaps he willingly gives his money to a ſuffering brother ; but ſtrenuous exertion, the rejection of an artificial want, of the endurance of perſonal inconvenience for the ſake of another, are too great ſacrifices to be expected from him. The contemptible cuſtom of ſatisfying every deſire, and the imitation of every new faſhion, hurry our youth, and not rarely our manhood or even old age, into the groſſeſt vices. The weakneſs of our contemporaries in this point is not to be deſcribed. Reaſon and conſcience may excite an alarm ; but it is only to lament feelingly over that weakneſs which, to ſatisfy our ſenſuality and luxury, drives us into the boſom of vice.

Religious toleration will become general : the rulers of each country will be employed in preventing ſcarcity and famine : attention will be paid to the poor, not merely to relieve them from immediate ruin, but to ſupply them with the means of making a proviſion for themſelves : ſoldiers will underſtand that they are paid to protect the nation from every enemy, and every inſult on an unarmed citizen will be conſidered as diſgraceful to the man who wears the ſword: juſtice will be eſtabliſhed ; the laws will be intelligible to all perſons ; cheerfulneſs will univerſally prevail ; in ſhort, the dreams of the golden age will begin to be realiſed. Theſe may be the phantaſies of a dreamer ; but, if our author dreams only, he dreams pleaſantly.

CITY OF WASHINGTON.

Commiſſioners Office, 5th March, 1801.

BY virtue of an act of Aſſembly of the ſtate of Maryland, entitled "a further ſupplement to the act concerning the Territory of Columbia and City of Waſhington" the commiſſioners will expoſe to ſale on Tueſday the 12th day of May next, at Mr. Rhodes's Tavern, in the ſaid city, the following lots, to wit, Lot No. 2 in ſquare No 47, lots no 4 5 15 16 20 and 21 in ſq no 184, lots no 5 6 15 16 20 in ſq no 198, lots no 3 4 14 15 in ſq no 218, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 in ſq no 249, lot no 10 in ſq no 286, lot no 3 5 6 7 9 10 12 13 14 in ſq no 317, lot no 10 in ſq no 319, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 in ſq no 343, lots no 2 3 4 5 6 in ſq no 344, lots no 10 11 12 in ſq no 345, lots no 1 2 3 4 15 16 17 18 19 20 in ſq 374, lots no 1 4 5 8 9 12 in ſq no 403, lots no 3 4 5 6 7 in ſq no 404, lots no 2 3 4 6 7 9 in ſq no 405, lots no 2 3 6 7 10 11 in ſq no 427, lots no 2 3 4 5 6 in ſq no 428, lots no 1 2 3 4 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 in ſq no 454, lots no 5 6 7 17 18 19 in ſq no 455, lots no 7 8 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 in ſq no 534, lots no 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 in ſq no 535, lot no 20 in ſq no 585, lot no 15 in ſq no 587, lot no 2 in ſq no 643, lot no 2 in ſq ſouth of ſq no 825, lots no 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 in ſq no 826, lot no 2 in ſq no 997, lots no 3 and 4 in ſq ſouth of 1019, lots no 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 in ſq no 1020, lot no 2 in ſq no 1021, lot no 1 in ſq no 1022, lots no 1 2 3 11 12 13 14 in ſq no 1023, lots no 5 and 6 in ſq no 1024, lots no 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 and 11 in ſq no 1045, lots no 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 in ſq no 1046, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 in ſq no 1047, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 24 in ſq no 1048, lots no 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 in ſq no 164, lot no 9 in ſq no 792, lots no 11 12 14 15 16 in ſq no 799, lots no 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 in ſq no 847, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 in ſq no 849, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 in ſq no 877, lots no 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 in ſq no 878, lots no 25 26 27 28 31 32 in ſq no 1048, lots no 1 and 3 in ſq no 1065 lots no 1 5 6 in ſq north eaſt of ſq no 1065 lot no 1 in ſq no 1066, lots no 1 and 3 in ſq no 11, lots no 2 3 7 8 9 10 12 13 in ſq no 158, lots no 1 3 4 5 6 7 in ſq no 161, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 in ſq no 247, lots no 1 2 3 4 10 11 in ſq no 452, lots no 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 in ſq no 453, lot no 1 in ſq ſouth of ſq no 463, lots no 3 4 5 6 in ſq no 492, lots no 5 9 and 10 in ſq no 493, lots no 4 5 6 in ſquare no 494, lots no 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 28 in ſquare no 517, lots no 2 4 6 8 in ſq no 518, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 in ſq no 529, lots no 20 and 21 in ſq no 533, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 in ſquare no 537, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 in ſq no 538, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 in ſq no 565, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 in ſq no 567, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 in ſq no 568, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 in ſq no 569, lots no 2 4 6 in ſq no 570, lot no 2 in ſq no 572, lots no 2 and 3 in ſq no 577, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 in ſq no 581, lots no 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 in ſq no 584, lots no 5 6 7 8 9 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 in ſq no 640, lots no 2 3 4 5 15 16 17 18 20 21 22 in ſq no 642, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 in ſq eaſt of ſq no 642, lots no 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 in ſq ſouth of ſq no 643, lots no 2 3 4 6 in ſq no 644, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 in ſq 645, lots no 1 2 and 17 in ſq no 1000, lots no 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 24 25 26 34 35 36 in ſq no 1043, lots no 2 3 4 14 15 16 17 18 in ſq no 1066, lots no 10 11 13 14 in ſq no 1067, lots no 1 2 3 4 11 12 13 in ſq no 1078, lots no 1 and 2 in ſq ſouth of ſq no 1091, lots no 1 2 9 10 11 12 in ſq no 1092, lots no 1 2 3 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 in ſq no 1105, lots no 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 in ſq no 1116, lot no 9 in ſq no 1117, lots no 5 6 7 8 in ſq no 1123, lots no 5 6 7 8 in ſq no 113 , lot no 3 in ſq no 1140 and lot no 4 in ſq no 1149.

The terms of ſale are ſixty, ninety and one hundred and twenty days for all ſums under 1000 dollars, and nine months credit for all ſums amounting to one thouſand dollars or upwards. It is expected purchaſes may be made to greater advantage at the enſuing ſale than heretofore ; becauſe, at former ſales a competition took place among perſons who held liens on the property ſold.

The commiſſioners have alſo at their diſpoſal upwards of 4000 lots which have never been ſold.

The public ſale to commence at Ten o'clock, in the forenoon, and to continue on Tueſdays, Wedneſdays and Thurſdays in each week, till all are ſold. The purchaſers will be required to give notes, endorſed to the ſatisfaction of the commiſſioners, and negotiable at any of the banks in Baltimore, George Town or Alexandria. Should any purchaſer fail, at the expiration of the week in which ſuch ſale is made to paſs his note with an approved endorſer or endorſers, the ſale will be declared void, and the lot or lots reſold without further notice—and ſuch purchaſer ſhall be excluded as a bidder during the ſale.

Wm. THORNTON, } *Commiſſioners.*
ALEXR. WHITE. }

To LETT.

THE HOUSE oppoſite the GREAT HOTEL, now occupied by *Kid, Elliot & Co.*—For terms apply at ſaid Houſe.

March 23, 1801. 2w6w

LOTS.

IN different elegible ſituations in the City for Sale or Leaſe on ground rent.—Likewiſe,

100 *Caſks inſpected Rhode Iſland LIME.*

A number of Quarter and half and Caſks of MADEIRA WINE, of a ſuperior quality, by JOHN STICKNEY

At his building oppoſite Rhodes Tavern Preſident's Square.

Waſhington, March 2, 1801. eop tf

LOTS FOR SALE,

In the City of WASHINGTON.

THE SUBSCRIBER offers for Sale a number of valuable Lots beautifully ſituated between the Capitol and the Eaſtern Branch Alſo a few Lots to be let on leaſe for ninety nine years in the vicinity of the Navy yard.

WILLIAM PROUT.

City of Waſhington. December 12, 1800 tf

N. B. A few Tons of good Meadow Hay, or Kiln of Bricks, and ſome Cord Wood.

W. P.

Nail Manufactory,

ALL kinds of Cut Nails for Sale by Whole ſale and Retail at the Factory on F Street, and at the Hardware Store of the Subſcriber, where perſons building and all others wiſhing to purchaſe may be ſupplied with any quantity at the moſt reaſonable rates.

JOHN JACK f

Waſhington Feb. 4, 1801.

FOR SALE.

THE SUBSCRIBER offers for Sale, four hundred ACRES of Valuable Land upon the Eaſtern Branch, oppoſite the City of Waſhington. it is bounded by the Water, from oppoſite the Navy Yard, nearly up to Dyer's Ferry ; and extends back acroſs that range of hills, South eaſt of the City where are ſeveral,as elegant ſituations, for Buildings, as any in its vicinity. Two hundred and fifty Acres at leaſt are covered with wood and Timber; which independent of every expence, will in the Judgment of Judicious perſons, yield to a purchaſer, fifty per cent more than the proprietor will aſk for the land. The ſoil upon the water, is a rich ſandy loam of courſe excellent for early vegetables of every kind, clover &c. As all doubt reſpecting the continuance of the Government at Waſhington, muſt ſurely now be removed from the mind of the moſt incredulous, the ſubſcriber is induced to offer this property for ſale, in the expectation, that it muſt attract the attention of thoſe who have money, and who wiſh to veſt it in ſuch a manner, as will produce an handſome intereſt for the preſent without riſque, and the chance of a great riſe in value, as the City increaſes in Population and wealth. A fourth, a third, a half, or the whole may be purchaſed upon eaſy terms by applying to

ANTHONY ADDISON,

At BARNABY, three miles from Dyer's Ferry.

Waſhington, April 6, 1801. 1m.

FOR SALE, OR RENT!

TWO Brick dwelling houſes, ſituated on the Pennſylvania-avenue near the Preſident's houſe ; each containing two handſome parlours and paſſage on the firſt floor, four lodging rooms, including garret, all private, kitchen and cellar ; the whole will be completely finiſhed in a few days : the yard's front paliſadoed and ſet with trees ; the walks to the ſtreet paved or graveled, which will render the ſame as comfortable a ſituation as any in this City for a private family, and will be ſold for leſs than any gentleman can have the ſame built for. A family of negroes, will be taken in part payment, or Lots will be exchanged for Slaves. For particulars enquire on the Premiſes of

OWEN ROBERTS.

March 11, 1801 tf

TO BE SOLD,

On Thursday the 23d day of April next, in the town of Bladensburgh, at public Sale, between

20 and 30 valuable ſlaves,

A GREAT variety of houſehold furniture, ſuch as beds and bedding, mahogany and walnut bedſteads, mahogany and walnut tables, and cheſt of drawers, mahogany, walnut, and windſor chairs, an elegant and extenſive ſet of table China, ſeveral elegant looking glaſſes, and much other houſehold and kitchen furniture, ſeveral very good ſaddle horſes, two carts with harneſs complete, and four excellent milch cows. Alſo a number of improved and unimproved lots in the ſaid town of Bladenſburgh. The ſale to commence at eleven o'clock and continue from day to day until the whole is ſold. The terms of ſale, for all ſums below 20 dollars, caſh, and for all ſums above twenty dollars, a credit of ſix months, except it be for real property, upon which twelve months will be given, the purchaſer giving bond with approved ſecurity.

WM. STEUART.

N. B. One of the above negro men is an excellent taylor having been regularly taught and has kept a ſhop for theſe two years.

FOR SALE,

The complete frames for two buildings,

ONE 44 feet by 24 feet, two ſtories, the other 28 by 16, both of beſt white oak and prepared in the beſt manner, being intended for the uſe of the owner. Poplar feather-edged plank. ſufficient to complete, may be had with them. Enquire of the printer.

April 10. tf

JOHN GARDNER,

TAYLOR.

GRATEFUL for the paſt favors, begs leave to inform his Friends and the Public, that he ſtill carries on the Tayloring buſineſs at his reſidence in F Street, nearly oppoſite Rhodes's Hotel, City of Waſhington. He will keep on hand a conſtant ſupply of Cloths, Kerſeymeres Nankeens and every other article in the buſineſs of the beſt quality and at the cheapeſt prices.

He truſts his experience and ſteady attention to Buſineſs, will ſecure to him the Public patronage.

Waſhington City, }
April 1. } t

FOR SALE OR RENT,

Two elegant brick Houses, 40 by 20 feet,

SITUATE on King and Columbia ſtreets Alexandria, as well calculated for the grocery and flour buſineſs as any in the city ; alſo two large ſtores adjoining the above houſes, 25 feet front, by 36 feet deep, and I will likewiſe leaſe or ſell, 7 or 8 valuable lots on King and Patrick ſtreets, ſubject to a ſmall ground rent. Poſſeſſion will be given of one of the houſes immediately, and the other in 30 days. Any perſon wiſhing to purchaſe, one fourth of the purchaſe money will be required in hand, one fourth in 3 months, and the balance in 12 months, by paying intereſt and giving a ſecurity on the property.

I will alſo ſell or rent,

Two new two-ſtory Brick Houſes, 25 feet front by 36 feet deep, ſituated near Pennſylvania Avenue, on the corner of E and B ſtreets, between the great Hotel and the Preſident's houſe. The ſituation for private families or ſtores, is equal, if not preferable, it being at preſent in the moſt populous part of the City. Poſſeſſion will be given of one of the houſes on the firſt day of next May, and the other on the firſt day of June following.—One fourth part of the purchaſe money will be required in hand, one fourth in 90 days, and the balance will be taken either in negroes, dry goods or groceries. The negroes at their valuation, and the goods at the wholeſale prices.

I will alſo ſell,

Six or eight thouſand acres valuable Kentucky land. The terms of payment will be required as above mentioned.

The ſubſcriber intends carrying on the bricklaying and plaſtering buſineſs extenſively, and will keep a conſtant ſupply of bricks and lime for ſale, he will alſo undertake to furniſh all materials to any perſon diſpoſed to build in the City, on the moſt reaſonable terms for caſh. Application to be made to Francis Peyton, Eſq. for the property in Alexandria, or to

N. VOSS.

City of Waſhington,
April 3, 1801. 2M

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS, by the firſt Article of the Terms and Conditions declared by the Preſident of the United States on the 17th day of October 1791, for regulating the Materials and manner of Buildings and Improvements on the lots in the CITY OF WASHINGTON, it is provided, " that the " outer and party walls of all Houſes in " the ſaid City, ſhall be built of brick or " ſtone."—And by the third Article of the ſame Terms and Conditions, it is declared, " that the wall of no Houſe ſhall be high- " er than forty feet to the Roof in any " part of the City, nor ſhall any be low- " er than thirty five feet in any of the A- " venues."—And whereas the above recited articles were found to impede the Settlement in the City of Mechanics and others, whoſe circumſtances did not admit of erecting Houſes authoriſed by the ſaid Regulations ; for which cauſe, the Preſident of the United States, by a Writing under his Hand, bearing date the twenty fifth day of June 1796, ſuſpended the operation of the ſaid Articles until the firſt Monday of December 1800—and the beneficial effects ariſing from ſuch ſuſpenſion having been experienced, it is deemed proper to revive the ſame. WHEREFORE, I THOMAS JEFFERSON, President of the United States, do declare, that the operation of the firſt and third Articles, above recited, ſhall be, and the ſame is hereby ſuſpended until the firſt Day of January 1802, and that all the Houſes which ſhall be erected in the ſaid City of Waſhington, previous to the ſaid firſt Day of January 1802, conformable in other reſpects to the regulations aforeſaid, ſhall be conſidered as lawfully erected, except that no wooden Houſe ſhall be erected within twenty four feet of any brick or ſtone Houſe.

Given under my hand this 11th Day of March, 1801.

(Signed)

TH. JEFFERSON.

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BUILDERS.

WILLIAM LOVERING, of George-Town, and WILLIAM DYER, of the City of Waſhington, having commenced partnerſhip in the Architectural and Carpenter line of buſineſs, which they are determined to carry on with aſſiduity, integrity and diſpatch, hope for the patronage of their friends and the public.

Having a number of the beſt workmen now employed, are ready to execute any orders which they are determined ſhall be done in the beſt workman like manner for thoſe who will pleaſe to favor them with their commands.

Orders directed to W. LOVERING, Gay ſtreet near the Union Tavern, George Town, or to W. DYER, I Street, North of the new War Office, City of Waſhington, will be punctually attended to.

N. B. WM. LOVERING has been in the practice of drawing for and ſuperintending great part of the Buildings in the City of Waſhington and its Vicinity.

Waſhington, April 1. tf