had been hinted to him that if he could get the governor to ask it as a matter of courtesy, they would be given up—that the minds of the Americans as well as the Spanish subjects were much agitated, fully expecting a war,—that a gentleman had just arrived from Bourdeaux, who stated that arrangements were making by France to take possession of the colony, with 10,000 troops—that the command had been offered to gen. Bernadotte, but owing to a difference between him and the first consul, the command was given to gen. Victor, and the troops would sail in October. This seems to be the substance of the letter—a number of pertinent reflections are subjoined, but we will not mention them, as we wish the public to draw their own conclusions. [*Guardian.*

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The intelligence of the taking of Port-Republican by storm (mentioned in this paper last week on the authority of a vessel from Jamaica, who had received it from a vessel bound to Portland) is wholly contradicted by captain Jones, of the schooner Demophilos, arrived here yesterday from Port-Republican. He assures us, that all was tranquil there; that the army left in the garrison by General Rochambeau, when he quitted that post to take the command in chief at Cape-Francois, consisted of about 3000 troops; and that no idea was entertained that the place would be evacuated. The embargo on American vessels had been taken off. The Demophilos sailed in company with 12 American vessels, one of which gave the intelligence above alluded to.

New-York paper.

Congress of the United States.

House of Representatives.

Friday, December 24, 1802.

A communication was received from the secretary of state containing an abstract of the collectors returns pursuant to the act for the relief and protection of American seamen, also extracts from the communications received from the agents in foreign countries for the relief of American seamen.

Mr. Thatcher presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Maine, praying for a division of the district of Waldoborough.

Referred to committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

Mr. Greene called up the resolution, offered by him yesterday, instructing the committee of Commerce and Manufactures to enquire into the expediency of providing by law, for fixing the port of entry for the Mississippi Territory at Fort Adams, and the port of delivery at the Natchez.

On the suggestion of Mr. Griswold the resolution was so modified, as to confine it to an enquiry into the expediency of making the Natchez a port of delivery, in which shape it passed.

Mr. Van Rensselaer moved the appointment of a committee to bring in a bill for erecting a monument to the memory of General Herkimer, pursuant to a resolution of Congress passed the 4th October, 1777.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Thomas called the attention of the House to a part of the unfinished business of the last session. A bill to extinguish the claims of the United States for balances reported against certain states, &c. was postponed during the last session to the 4th Monday in November. He moved the reference of so much of the report of the committee of Revisal and Unfinished business as related to this subject, to a select committee.

Ayes 26—Noes.

Mr. Morris observed that, if in order, he would move the reference of so much of the report of Revisal and Unfinished business as related to the petition of C. L'Enfant, to the Secretary of state.

The Speaker said this would be irregular, as it would involve the reference of a report of the committee of Claims to the Secretary, which was contrary to the practice of the House.

Mr. Morris, afterwards, moved the reference of the Report of the committee of claims on the petition of Mr. L'Enfant to a committee of the whole on Monday week—Carried.

Mr. Morris then moved that the Secretary of state be directed to furnish this House with such documents as are in his possession, relating to the claim of C. L'Enfant for services rendered in laying out the city of Washington under the direction of the President of the United States.

Agreed to.

Mr. Rutledge presented the petition of Thomas Shubrick, of South Carolina, praying to be released from a contract made by him in 1799 for supplying timber for the building of 74's.

Mr. Rutledge stated at considerable length the circumstances attending the case, and moved a reference of the petition to the Secretary of the Navy.

Agreed to.

Mr. Lowndes presented the petition of Adam Tunno and others, assignees of M'Farlane, &c. praying to be released from the payment of duties on goods destroyed by fire.

Referred to the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures.

We are desired to state Mr. Morris to have observed, on Wednesday, that the necessity of his motion to prolong the time of selling lands for the non-payment of taxes arose from the confused manner in which the assessment had been made in *a part of the state* he represented, instead of in *that* part of the state he represented.

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REPORT.

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The Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Secretary of War, Commissioners under the "Act for the better government of the Navy of the United States,"

Respectfully report to Congress.

THAT since the 31st of Dec. 1801, the date of their last report, there has accrued, and will accrue to the end of the present year, for interest and reimbursement of the principal of the debt of the United States belonging to the fund for satisfying navy pensions, the sum of dollars, 5,880 20 cts. which added to the sum of dollars, 3,507 41 cts. being the balance unapplied at the end of last year, forms an aggregate of dollars 9,387-61 cts. as exemplified in the annexed statement marked A. That the pensions of the persons on the invalid list of the naval establishment, which have been paid or are in a course of payment for the same period, amount to the sum dollars, 3,200-37 cts. as appears by statement B. which being deducted from the amount of interest and reimbursement as above stated, leaves a balance unapplied of dollars 6,187 24 cts.

That there has been received from the Treasury, of monies arising from the sales of prizes, including dollars 1,923-45 previously on hand the sum of dollars, 42,562-80-cts. for the investment of which in stock of the funded debt of the United States, or in bank stock, measures have been taken; and it is intended to invest in like manner the unapplied balance of interest and reimbursement, with the reservation of a small sum in the treasury, to meet eventual demands of applicants for pensions.

For and in behalf of the board,

ROBERT SMITH.

City of Washington, Navy Department, 17, Dec. 1802.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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A.

ABSTRACT

Of interest, and reimbursement of the principal of the debt of the United States, belonging to the fund for the payment of Navy Pensions, for the year ending 31st December, 1802.

April 1, 1802.

1 quarter's interest on Dols. 37,100	8 per cent stock,		742
31,800	6 pr ct navy	477	
4,794 23	6 pr ct.	71 91	
5,361 91	deferred.	80 42	1,371 33
2 years reimbursement on the 6 per cents,			191 77
July 1. 1 quarter's interest on the above,			1,371 33
Oct. 1. 1 ditto.	ditto.		1,371 33
1803.			
Jan. 1. 1 ditto.	ditto.		1,371 33
1 year's reimbursement on the 6 pr. ct. and deferred stock,			203 12
	Dollars.		5,880 21
Ballance unapplied at the end of the last year,			3,507 41
	Dollars.		9,387 62

B.

ABSTRACT

Of Navy Pensions for the year 1802.

			D. C.
For the half year ending the 30th June,			
In New Hampshire,	78		
Massachusetts,	220		
Rhode Island,	51		
Connecticut,	114		
New York,	246	07	
Pennsylvania,	402	90	
Maryland,	98	76	
Virginia,	60		
			1,270 73
Pension of John Mushaway, including arrears, paid 23d Nov.			239
For the the half year ending 31st December,			
In New Hampshire,	138		
Massachusetts,	332		
Rhode Island,	51		
Connecticut,	114		
New York,	389	70	
Pennsylvania,	479	94	
Maryland,	126		
Virginia,	60		
			1,690 64
	Dollars.		3,200 37

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On the 29th October, a large party of friends of the patriotic and gallant Kosciusco, dined at Paris to celebrate his birth day. The dinner was sumptuous, and attended by more than a hundred persons. Mr. Livingston, the American minister, Mr. Skipwith, the American consul, General La Fayette, General Kosciusco, Citizen Monge, Senator, Berlier, counsellor of state, Joel Barlow and Lady, M. Fulton, and Major Johnson, an English officer, were present. What a glorious sight to the friends of liberty, says the French editor, to see the two Heroes who have fought under the banners of the immortal Washington for the cause of freedom in the new and old world. Several pieces of music were played after dinner, and the company did not retire till twelve o'clock.

One of the papers mention, that 5000 negroes had arrived in France from Gaudaloupe.

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Philadelphia, Dec. 21.

A gentleman from Cape-Francois informs, that a dreadful massacre of the blacks, prisoners on board the French ships in the harbor, took place about the middle of Nov. It was computed that in the course of one day, not less than 6000 of these miserable wretches, after being bayonetted, were thrown overboard. Our informant counted 240. floating by the side of his vessel.

We also learn, that about 900 blacks, who hold a garrison in the island were poisoned by a stratagem of the French.

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Petersburg, Virg. Dec. 21.

The following resolution passed on Wednesday last in the House of Delegates, by a majority of one hundred votes, may serve to teach, that truth is powerful and will prevail——that virtue and patriotism, when combined in our chief magistrate, do not escape the attention of a free and enlightened people.

(*Argus.*)

Resolved, That the confidence of this legislature in the wisdom, patriotism and private worth of the President of the United States, is not only undiminished, but increased; and that the constitutional and just principles of his administration, and his undeviating rectitude in their execution, merit the entire approbation of his country.

This resolution passed, Ayes 126, Noes 25.

This vote decides the political complexion of the House of Delegates of Virginia.

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House of Representatives of South-Carolina.

The House then took into consideration, the following report and resolution, viz. The committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of Abbeville district, praying for a reform in the apportionment of the Representatives of the people in the Legislature of this state, report; That they have attentively considered the matter submitted to them, and recommend that the following resolutions be adopted; that is to say: Resolved that the apportionment of the Representatives of the people of this state, in the Legislature thereof, is partial and unequal, and ought to be altered. Resolved, that a bill ought to be brought in to carry the spirit of the above resolution into complete effect. On taking the question to strike out the words, "is partial, unequal and," in the above resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded by 7 members, and were,

Ayes 35—Noes 69. So the same was not struck out. The question was then taken to agree to the same, which was carried.

A motion was then made and seconded to appoint a committee to bring in a bill, to consist of a member from each election district. On taking the question to agree to the same, the ayes and noes were demanded by 7 members, and were ayes 43—noes 61. So the same was disagreed to.

The following committee were then appointed, viz. Messrs. Falconer, T. Galliard, Stak, Butler, Alston, T. Pinckney, and D. Deas.

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New-York, Dec. 21.

We have advices from Cape-Francois to the 19th November, by captain Williams, of the ship Minerva, who arrived here yesterday. They state in positive terms, that General Rochambeau brought no troops with him from Port-Republican, though 5 or 600 were daily expected; and that, since he entered upon the duties of his office, no general engagement had taken place between the French troops and the negroes. During the week preceding capt. W's departure, none of the brigands had been seen near the Cape; from which circumstance it was conjectured they were collecting their forces for a desperate attack. Captain W. did not learn that Christophe was wounded, as reported by the last arrival. Markets dull for all kinds of American produce except vegetables. Colonial produce scarce and high.

FOR SALE.

THE following valuable Tracts of land, which will be disposed of on reasonable terms, for either cash, property in the city of Washington, good security, or a certain number of negroes, as may best suit the purchaser.

A tract of 300 acres on Second creek, near the Natchez.

150 acres on the river Amite.

400 acres on the river Tangipao, opposite to New Orleans. This tract is particularly valuable, on account its eligible situation, fertility of soil, and abundant supply of fish, which abound in the river, and the neighbouring lake. A post road passes this tract from New Orleans to the Natchez.——The above three tracts are within the line of the United States.

A Tract of 200 acres on the river Mississippi, Baton rouge settlement.

500 acres back land	do.	do.
300 acres	do.	do.
1000 acres	do.	do.
500 acres	do.	do.

These Lands are adjoining Baton Rouge, being the first high ground that commands the river, where the British established a Fort and a strong garrison, which was conquered by Don Gavez and the garrison made prisoners of war, in the year 1777, and this settlement is now one of the most populous on the river, within the Spanish Boundary.

A tract of 500 acres near Point Coupee, a flourishing settlement. This property is also within the Spanish boundary.

A tract of 7000 acres in Bedford county, on the branches of Otter river, the branches of Reed and Hunting Creeks, branches of James river.

A tract of 4000 acres in Pittsylvania, on Staunton river. Those two tracts last mentioned are in the state of Virginia.

Two tracts of 1200 acres each, in Fayette, near Bourbon county, district of Kentucky, on the waters of Main Licking

Two valuable lots in the town of Portsmouth. Those tracts are adjoining the ground now occupied by government as a navy yard; they are a growing property, worthy attention.

All the tracts on or near the Mississippi are well calculated for the raising of cotton, indigo, hemp, flax, indian corn, oats, &c. the quality being generally strong, and highly productive. Their range for horned cattle, horses, hogs, &c. in all seasons, is equal to any on the continent.

Those who wish to purchase may gain further information by applying to James Duncan, esq. Carlisle, Pennsylvania; to Dr. Robinson at the city of Washington, or to the Subscriber in the city of Philadelphia.——Letters, post paid, will be attended to.

OLIVER POLLOCK.

Washington, Dec. 27. 1802. 2awtm

Thomas Carpenter,

TAYLOR.

HAS received a very handsome assortment of goods, consisting of superfine cloths, cassimeers and coatings of all colours.

Patent water proof Cloths,

Silk and woolen Mole-skins, Tailinettes, velveteens, &c. of superior quality.

From which, and an acquisition of the newest fashions and the best workmen, he can assure whatever commanded.

Pennsylvania Avenue, near the President' Square, and New Jersey Avenue, about eigh houses from Capitol Square.

Dec. 1, 1802. tf.

IN CHANCERY, Dec. 17. 1802.

ORDERED, That the Sales made by WILLIAM STEWART, as stated in his report, shall be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary be shewn before the 10th day of March next, provided a copy of this order be published in the National Intelligencer, at least once in each of three successive weeks, before the 20th of March next. The sales were as follows;—A tract of Land in Allegany county, called "Suck" 212 acres sold for £497 0 0. "Addition to the Spring Bottom" 96 acres sold for £216. Workmans desire, 76 acres sold for £225. "Johnsons Fancy" 50 acres sold for £112 10 0. Lot no. 8 in square 664, and no 8 in square east of square 664 in the City of Washington, sold for £141 17 6.

Test,

SAMUEL H. HOWARD.

Reg. Cur. Can.

Dec. 27. 1aw3t.

FOR SALE.

A likely young Negro Woman.

A GOOD House servant—Enquire at the Office of the National Intelligencer.

ALSO,

TO LET—A convenient *Two story Brick dwelling House, &c.* near the Capitol---Enquire as above.

Nov. 22. tf.

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 mole-kin velvet, white & figured Marfelles, Swandowns, Toilinettes, Velvetteens, 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. tf.

GENUINE WINES.

Madeira, Sherry, Port, Lisbon, Claret, &c.
Philadelphia and London Porter,
Cognac and Peach Brandy,
Jamaica and Antigua spirit,
Cordials and Syrups,
Sweet Meats,
Fresh Fruit,
Fresh Teas,
Coffee and Sugars,
Spanish Segars in boxes and Indian baskets,
Garden seeds and flower roots,
Shoes, and pewter ink stands.

With sundry articles of Groceries for sale at Reduced prices, by

JOHN GOULDING, Broker.

December 8. eptjt

TO RENT,

A handsome two story Frame House, on G street near the War office.

IT consists of two Parlors and a kitchen on the ground floor---two bed rooms and a garret, a garden and stable---the rent low---possession will be given immediately, apply to

ROB. ELLIS,

Department of War.

N. B. Front Parlour handsomely papered.

Dec. 22. 6t.

TO RENT.

A good store on King street,

Suitable for the flour or wholesale business. ALSO—One within 30 feet of the river.---Enquire at the Printers.

Dec. 22d. 3t.

FOR SALE.

By public vendue at Sellers Hotel, in the city of Washington, on Thursday the 12th day of January next, at 12 o'clock, the following tract of Land—

Situate in Northumberland

County, State of Virginia, late the residence and property of PRESLY THORNTON, Esq. containing 2,500 acres, lying immediately on the river Potomac—1500 acres of which are the most valuable kind of low grounds on the river, between 3 and 400 heavy timbered; the remainder is wavy high and, extremely productive. The soil of this tract is equal to any in the state for the culture of corn, wheat, tobacco, timothy and small grain of all kinds. On this tract are a large commodious two story Brick Mansion House, and two offices, a large brick stable, valuable barn, corn house, and many other out houses, all in good repair. The orchards and gardens contain a variety of valuable fruit trees, and the waters abound with excellent fish and oysters. It is situate about a day's sail from Alexandria, Baltimore and Norfolk. There are two good mill seats for grist or saw mill on this estate, and plenty of cedar and chestnut timber, exclusive of the heavy timber, which if sawed up into scantling will command a price in the city of Washington nearly equal to the value of the land.

The terms of sale will be one third cash, and the residue of the purchase money in payments which will be made known at the time of sale.

RICHD. PETERS, jun.

December 8. eptrJ.

TO Rent on moderate terms,

A TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE ON South Capitol street—In front is a large store completely fitted up for the wet and dry goods business, with a Parlor adjoining, which may be used separate from the House, and leave sufficient room for the accommodation of a private family—a kitchen with servants room over—with a small frame House adjoining—three stall stable and inclosed garden.

Enquire of Mr. CHARLES VARDEN, New Jersey Avenue, or on the Premises, of

THOMAS JONES.

Nov. 25.

FOR SALE

By Edgar Patterson,

GEORGE TOWN.

BEST old London Particular Madeira Wine,
Sherry, ditto.
4th proof Cogniac Brandy,
1st Proof Bordeaux Ditto,
Cherry Bounce,
Wine and cyder Vinegars,
Sugar House Molasses,
Spermacity Oil,
Spanish Segars of a very superior quality,
East India, ditto,
Hyson, Young Hyson & Hyson skin Teas,
Loaf, Lump and Brown Sugars,
Green and white coffee,
American Cheese of superior quality,
Raisins and Lemmons,
Rice and Chocolate,
Pearl and common Barley,
Oat Meal and Sago,
Spermaciti, Wax, and Tallow Candles,
Brown Soap, by the box only,
Demijohns, Liquor Cases, &c. &c.

Dec. 23d. eptjw.

170,038 Acres of Land.

THIS body of land, in one entire and inclusive survey, is offered for sale to any individual or company, who may incline to purchase for the purposes of settlement and emigration. It is situated in the state of Virginia, on the Great Kenawha River, Montgomery county, and is distinguished by the name of "The Great Bent of the Kenawha," being intersected by the Piney river, Great and Little Bluestone rivers, Coal river, and Guyandot river, as also by numerous other creeks and waters, running into said rivers Numerous mill-seats, inexhaustible bodies of coal, and great appearances of ores, metals, salt springs and salt licks, are to be found on this tract, besides which, sugar may be made thereon to any amount, the sugar tree and bowing in almost every part.

For fertility of soil, growth of timber, fitness for cultivation, salubrity of climate, and natural advantages, this body of land stands unrivalled by any tract of equal quantity in Western America; it will be submitted for sale to an entire purchaser, until the first day of June next, on very advantageous terms; after which, it cannot be disposed of at any price, the present proprietor being compelled to a division thereof. An indisputable title will be given, and for further particulars, as to terms of sale and payment, enquire of JOHN BECKLEY, Esq. Clerk to the House of Representatives of the United States, at the city of Washington.

November 1, 1802. tf

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N. B. At the above office, Deeds and all other instruments of writing are drawn with legal precision, and on moderate terms—Title to city lots investigated, &c.—Houses and Lots to sell and rent.

Dec 6. 1awtf.

The Subscriber has for Sale

at his Store near the Capitol, American Vermicelli, just received from the manufactory at Philadelphia, in boxes of 4 and 12lbs. each.

J. T. BARRY.

Dec. 22. 4t