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### PRICE CURRENT.

PER QUANTITY.—DOLLARS 100 Cents each

PHILADELPHIA, JAN. 4, 1794.

	Dls.	Cts.	Dls.	Cts.
<b>ANCHORS</b> pr. lb.	7	10		
Allum, English, pr. cwt.	4	33		
— Ditto, Roch pr. lb.			11	
Ashes, pot, per ton	120			
— Pearl,	134	140	7	
Arrack pr. gall.	1	33	1	16
Brandy, common,	100		120	
— Coniac	130		140	
Brazilletto, pr. ton.			50	
Bricks, pr. M.	4		7	
Bread, ship, pr. cwt.			5	67
— Ditto, pilot			5	5
— Ditto, small water, per keg	36		40	
Beer, American, in bottles,				
— pr. doz. bottles included,			1	74
— Ditto pr. barrel,			6	
Boards Cedar pr. M feet,			20	
— New England	10		14	
— Oak	14		16	
— Merchantable pine	20		24	
— Sap, do.	10		67	
— Mahogany, per foot			10	
The above are the shallop prices,				
for the yard price, add 1 dol-				
lar 33 cents per 1000.				
Brimstone in rolls, pr. cwt.			2	
Beef, Bolton, per barrel			10	11
— Country ditto	9		10	
— Fresh, per cwt.	3	33	4	67
Butter pr. lb.			25	
— in kegs			15	
Candles, Sperm. pr. lb.			47	
— Wax	53		56	
— Myrtle Wax			18	
— Mould, tallow			16	
— Dipped			14	
Cheese, English, pr. lb.			25	
— Country	10		12	
Chocolate			18	
Cinnamon	2	40	2	67
Cloves			1	33
Cocoa pr. cwt.	10		11	
Coffee pr. lb.			16	
Coal pr. bushel	24		33	
Copperas pr. cwt.			1	67
Cordage, American, per cwt.	9		10	
Cotton pr. lb.			27	
Currants			12	
Duck, Russia, pr. piece	14		18	
— Ravens			11	
Dutch sail duck,	18		20	
Feathers pr. lb.			50	
Flax ditto	11		12	
Flaxseed pr. bush.	80		90	
Flour, Superfine pr. barrel	6	12		
— Common,	5	72		
— Bar middlings, best	5	25		
— Meal, Indian	2	67		
— ditto Rye,	3			
— Ship-stuff pr. cwt.	1	40		
Fustic pr. ton,	20			
Gin, Holland, pr. case,	4	66		
— Do. pr. gall.	80		99	
Glue, pr. cwt.	20		21	33
Ginger, white race, per lb.			12	
— Ditto, common			8	
Ditto, ground pr. lb.			10	
Ginseng,	20		24	
Gunpowder, cannon, pr. q. cask,	3	73		
— Ditto, fine glazed	4			
Grain, Wheat pr. bush	100		1	20
— Rye	70			
— Oats	35			
— Indian corn	60			
— Barley	1		1	20
— Best shelled pr. lb.			7	
— Buckwheat, per bush.			40	
Hemp, imported, pr. ton,	160		150	
— American, pr. lb.	4		5	
Herrings, pr. bbl.			3	
Hides, raw pr. lb.	9			
Hops	96			
Hoghead hoops, pr. M.	15			
Indigo, French pr. lb.			1	67
— Carolina	1		1	80
Irons, sad pr. ton,	133	33		
Iron, Castings pr. cwt.	3		4	
— Bar pr. ton,	82	66		
— Pig	25			
— Sheet	173	33		
— Nail rods	100	33		
Junk, pr. cwt.	4		5	
Lard, hogs pr. lb.			15	
Lead, in pigs pr. cwt.	5	33		
— in bars	7		67	
— white	10		10	67
— red	6	40		67
Leather, foal, pr. lb.			20	
Lignum vitæ pr. ton,			7	
Logwood	30			
Mace pr. lb.	9			
Mackarel, best pr. bbl.	9			
— second quality	4			
Madder, best pr. lb.	16		20	
Marble, wrought, pr. foot,	1	33		
— Mast spars ditto	33			
Molasses pr. gall.	33			
Mustard pr. lb.			41	
— flour, in bottles, pr. doz.	1	20		
Nails, 8d. 10d. 12d. and 20d. pr. lb.			10	
Nutmegs pr. lb.			8	
Oil, Linseed, pr. gall.	66			
— Olive	37			

	Dls.	Cts.	Dls.	Cts.
Oil, Ditto pr. case			5	20
— Sweet, best, in flasks, pr. box			10	9
— Ditto baskets, 12 bottles			9	
— Spermaceti pr. gall.			10	48
— Train per barrel			10	51
— Whale	25		31	
Porter pr. cask,			5	33
— London, pr. doz.			1	62
— American ditto bot. incl.			1	81
Pitch, pr. bbl.	1	73		
Pork, Burlington, per barrel,			15	
— Lower county			12	
— Carolina			10	
Peas, Albany pr. bushel			1	
Pepper, pr. lb.			42	
Pimento			19	
Raisins, best, pr. keg			7	
— Ditto pr. jar			3	33
— Ditto pr. box			3	33
Rice pr. cwt.			3	20
Rofin pr. barrel			2	78
Rum, Jamaica, pr. gallon			1	16
— Antigua			1	
— Windward			86	
— Barbadoes			87	
— Country, N. E.			60	
Salt petre, pr. cwt.	14	33		
Sassafras pr. ton	6			
Shot ditto	140		141	
Steel, German pr. lb.			10	9
— English, blitsered, pr. cwt.			10	
— American pr. ton			113	33
— Crowley's pr. faggot			10	67
Spake root pr. lb.			20	
Soap, Brown per lb.			8	
— White			6	
— Castile			11	
Starch			7	
Snuff pr. doz. bot.	4		5	60
Spermaceti, refined, pr. lb.			48	
Sailcloth, English, No. 1. pr. yard,			9	
— Bolton, No. 1. ditto			9	
— No. II.			35	
Sugar Lump, pr. lb.			21	
— Leaf, single refined			22	
— Ditto, double do.			33	
— Havannah, white			12	14
— Ditto, brown,			10	11
— Muscovado, pr. cwt.	9		12	
Spirits Turpentine pr. gallon			17	
Salt, Allum pr. bushel			80	
— Liverpool			100	
— Cadiz			80	
— Lisbon			80	
Ship build. W. O. frames p. ton,			20	
— Ditto Live Oak,			22	
— Ditto red cedar, per foot			37	
Shingles, 18 inch. per M.			3	33
— Ditto 2 feet,			6	50
— Ditto 3 feet, dressed,			13	
Staves, Pipe pr. 1000			32	
— White Oak hoghead,			20	33
— Red Oak do.			19	50
— Leogan			21	33
— Barrel			16	
— Heading			25	33
Skins, Otter, best pr. piece			4	67
— Minks			20	
— Fox, grey			40	
— Ditto red			40	
— Martins			24	
— Fishers			33	
— Bears			3	
— Racoons			27	
— Musk-rats			11	
— Beaver, pr. lb.			67	
— Deer, in hair			20	
Tar, N. Jersey, 24 gal. p. bbl.			1	
— Carolina, 32 gal.			2	
Turpentine pr. bbl.			4	33
Tobacco, J. River, best 100lb.			4	33
— inferior			3	33
— old			4	67
— Rappahannock			3	33
— Coloured Maryland,	5	33		
— Dark,			2	40
— Long-leaf			2	40
— Eastern-shore			2	23
— Carolina, new			2	7
— old,			3	33
Tea, Hyfon pr. lb.			93	
— Hyfon kin,			53	
— Souchong,			50	
— Congo,			43	
— Bohea,			33	
Tallow, refined, per lb.			9	
Tin pr. box,			13	33
Verdigrease pr. lb.			60	
Vermillion, do.	1	33		
Varnish, per gallon			33	
Wax, Bees pr. lb.			25	
Whale-bone, long pr. lb.			12	
Wine, Madcira, pr. pipe,	176		226	
— Lisbon	120		126	
— Teneriffe, pr. gallon			63	
— Fayal			52	
— Port pr. pipe	113	33		
— Ditto in bottles, pr. doz.			4	
— Claret			4	
— Sherry pr. gall.			90	
— Malaga			77	

### COURSE OF EXCHANGE.

On London, at 30 days, per £. 100 sterl.	466
— at 60 days	463
— at 90 days	451
Amsterdam, 60 days, pr. guilders,	42
— 90 days,	40
Government bills, drawn at 10 days	
— sight, at 420 per guilders.	37

### OBSERVATIONS

#### ON THE RIVER POTOMACK, THE COUNTRY ADJACENT, AND THE CITY OF WASHINGTON.

(Concluded from our last.)

The fur and peltry trade of the Great Lakes may be brought to the city of Washington, through the channel of the Potomack, four hundred miles nearer than to any other shipping-port to which it has been carried heretofore.

Mr. Jefferson, in his notes on Virginia, mentions this subject in the following words:—"The Potomack offers itself under the following circumstances, for the trade of the lakes, and the waters westward of Lake Erie. When it shall have entered that lake, it must coast along its southern shore, on account of the number and excellence of its harbors; the northern, though shortest, having few harbors, and those unsafe.—Having reached Cayahoga, to proceed on to New-York, it will have eight hundred and twenty five miles, and five portages: Whereas it has but four hundred and twenty-five miles to Alexandria, its emporium on the Potomack, if it turns into Cayahoga, and passes through that, Big Beaver, Ohio, Yohogany, (on Monongahela and Cheat,) and the Potomack; and there are but two portages; the first of which, (from Cayahoga to Big Beaver) may be removed by uniting the sources of these waters, which are lakes in the neighborhood of each other, and in a champain country.—The other from the waters of the Ohio to the Potomack, will be from fifteen to forty miles, according to the trouble that shall be taken to approach the two navigations.—For the trade of the Ohio, or that which shall come into it from its own waters, or from the Mississippi, it is nearer through the Potomack to Alexandria, than to New-York, by five hundred and eighty miles, and is interrupted by one portage only.

There is another circumstance of difference.—The lakes themselves never freeze; but the communications between them freeze, and the Hudson's river itself is shut up by ice three months in the year; whereas the channel of the Chesapeake leads directly to a warm climate, the southern parts of it rarely freezes at all, and whenever the northern do, it is so near the sources of the rivers, that the frequent floods to which they are liable, break the ice up immediately, so that vessels may pass through the winter, subject only to accidental and short delays."

In addition to the foregoing remarks, it may only be necessary to say, that there is not a river in America capable of being rendered more secure from an attack by water than the Potomack. Its banks are every where high and bold, with the channel often not more than two hundred yards from the shore. Digg's-Point, about ten miles below the city of Washington, is remarkably well calculated for a battery; as all vessels coming up the river must present their bows to that point, for the distance of three miles; and after passing, their sterns are equally exposed for about the same distance; the middle of the channel there is not more than two hundred yards from the point.

It may not be amiss to subjoin the following extracts from the laws of Maryland; and the terms and conditions for regulating the materials and manner of the buildings and improvements on the lots in the city of Washington.

Extract from the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, entitled, "An act for opening and extending the navigation of the river Potomack, in which the shares are made real estate."

"Be it enacted, That foreigners shall be and are hereby enabled to subscribe for and hold shares in the Potomack Company."

Extract from an act of the General Assembly of Maryland, entitled, "An act

concerning the territory of Columbia and the city of Washington."

"Be it enacted, That any foreigner may, by deed or will, hereafter to be made, take and hold lands within that part of the said territory which lies within this state, in the same manner as if he was a citizen of this state; and the same lands may be conveyed by him, and transmitted to, and be inherited by his heirs or relations, as if he and they were citizens of this state; Provided, that no foreigner shall, in virtue hereof, be entitled to any further or other privilege of a citizen."

Terms and conditions declared by the President of the United States, for regulating the materials and manner of the buildings and improvements on the lots in the city of Washington.

1st. "That the outer and party-walls of all houses within the said city shall be built of brick or stone."

2d. "That all buildings on the streets shall be parallel thereto, and may be advanced to the line of the street, or withdrawn therefrom, at the pleasure of the improver; but where any such building is about to be erected, neither the foundation nor party-walls shall be begun without first applying to the person or persons appointed by the Commissioners to superintend the buildings within the city, who will afterwards ascertain the lines of the walls to correspond with these regulations.

3d. "The wall of no house to be higher than forty feet to the roof in any part of the city, nor shall any be lower than 35 feet on any of the avenues."

4th. "That the person or persons appointed by the Commissioners to superintend the buildings, may enter on the land of any person to set out the foundation, and regulate the walls to be built between party and party, as to the breadth and thickness thereof: which foundation shall be laid equally on the lands of the persons between whom such party-walls are to be built, and shall be of the breadth and thickness determined by such person proper; and the first builder shall be reimbursed one moiety of the charge of such party-wall, or so much thereof as the next builder shall have occasion to make use of before such next builder shall any way use or break into the wall; the charge or value thereof to be set