

Rochefort, in France. No papers were brought by this vessel, but from the oral information of the Captain a gentleman of eracity and intelligence, we have collected the following articles.

That the poll, which arrived from Bilbao, the day before he sailed, gave information of the capture of Bilbao by the French. This information he was told, being unacquainted with the language, was officially published in the papers of Rochefort.

The reports of the capture of Rotterdam were in general circulation, and obtained universal credence, but he knew not how they were founded.

That an English frigate of 36 guns, arrived immediately before he sailed, a prize to a 74 gun ship; that prizes were continually pouring into Rochefort, thirteen arrived in one day.

That nine ships of the line were building at Rochefort, three of 130 guns and the others 74.

OFFICIAL.

For the information of the public, we have procured the following return of the late Federal Election in this Commonwealth; and vouch for its authenticity:

- First western District. Hon. Theodore Sedgwick, Esq. chosen. Second Western District. Hon. William Lyman, Esq. chosen. Third Western District. Hon. Samuel Lyman, Esq. chosen. Fourth Western District. Hon. Dwight Foster, Esq. chosen. First Southern District. Nathaniel Freeman, Jun. Esq. chosen. Second Southern District. Rev. John Read, chosen. Third Southern District. No choice. First Middle District. Hon. Fisher Ames, Esq. chosen. Second Middle District. No choice. Third Middle District. Hon. Benjamin Goodhue, Esq. chosen. Fourth Middle District. No choice. First Eastern District. Hon. Henry Dearborn, Esq. chosen. Second Eastern District. No choice. Third Eastern District. No choice.

ALBANY, December 15.

On the 28th of November, departed this life, the honorable FREDERICK WILLIAM AUGUSTUS BARON STEUBEN.

This excellent man, whose name will be ever dear to the citizens of the United States, as long as virtue and patriotism shall be respected, was a native of Germany, where his merit had raised him to places of the highest trust and distinction: He was aid-de-camp to the late king of Prussia, and lieutenant governor of one of the circles of the German empire. These posts, and others, he left to embark with us in the cause of freedom. In 1777 he arrived in America, and immediately joined our army as a volunteer. In 1778, Congress gave him the rank of major-general, which was the highest grade in their power, and appointed him inspector-general to the army of the United States. Under the disadvantage of being a total stranger to our customs and language, of encountering the prejudices which existed against foreigners, of reducing an army, feverishly then formed, and continually changing, whose habits in civil life had not been those of subordination, and who, at that moment, were combating that they might be free—to reduce such an army to the strict rules of discipline, was a task which none but a brave and virtuous man would have undertaken; to bring this army to a point of knowledge, exactitude and order, which infinitely exceeded that of their veteran enemy; & at the same time to acquire the love and veneration of the officers and soldiers, could have been effected by no other than Baron Steuben; and no other heart than his could have repaid so fully the reward, which Heaven gave to the virtuous exertions of our army—the independence of their country.

The Baron was a volunteer in the action of Monmouth; commanded in Virginia with a handful of militia, against Arnold and Phillips; and commanded in the trenches at York-town, on the day which concluded the struggles of America, on the day that Lord Cornwallis surrendered the last hope of the king of Great Britain. To his military character, the Baron added all the virtues of the citizen, and the accomplishments of the gentleman. His knowledge was extensive, his understanding clear, and his judgment sound. His heart was formed by nature to be open to all her children, and he never closed it. This is a short, a faint sketch of the character of the excellent Baron Steuben, given by a man who had the honor to be intimately acquainted with him fifteen years, and who never knew him guilty of an unworthy action—no never knew him omit a good one. Steuben, Dec. 5.

PHILADELPHIA, Decem. 26.

Yesterday arrived from the westward and were lodged in the gaol of this city, 20 of the insurgents. They are such of the prisoners confined in the garriſon at Pittsburgh, as were refused bail; the residue (about 100) are admitted to bail.— They were escorted hither by a troop of Jersey horse under the command of Major Dunham.

From the Quebec Gazette of Dec. 4.

GENERAL ARNOLD.

In addition to the account already given of the extraordinary escape of this gentleman from the enemy at Guadaloupe, in whose hands he was prisoner upwards of three weeks, expecting every hour to be put to death—we now lay before our readers the following particulars received from an officer of Sir Charles Grey's army. General Arnold was taken with some other gentlemen passengers in a Danish vessel. When under examination he pleaded indispoſition, and by his great address and command of good humour, he not only obtained permission to remain on board the vessel in which he had been captured, but, by a presence of mind which never leaves him, was equally successful, first in saving all his papers from the officer sent to examine his trunks, and finally, by an uncommon combination of ingenuity and intrepidity, in effecting his escape to the British army. It appears that very early after their captivity, having obtained an intimation of their premeditated destiny, the General openly proposed the means of escape to the ship's crew; but they revolted at it as a measure which must prove fatal, if detected, and considered the means of attempting it as little less desperate. The impending fate, however, growing more imminent, the General at length overcame their scruples, so far as regarded himself. The stake was life, on which I understand, there are many very strong claims in England, perhaps of more value to him than his own; and to lose a moment was perhaps the only one left for its preservation. No sooner was the consent of the crew obtained to favour his departure, than he set about constructing a small raft, which when night came on, he lowered and set afloat, placed upon it a trunk and portmanteau, to balance each other, and then boldly committed himself to the waves. He took a small paddle in his hand, and laying flat on his breast, so that he might use the paddle imperceptibly and without noise, he steered himself thro' the enemy's ships and guard boats, and successfully made one of the British batteries, after being three hours in that situation, as critical and perilous as imagination can well paint.

By this Day's Mail.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 24.

It is with painful feelings, that the Vice-President of the New-York State Society of the Cincinnati, announces the death of the Society's late most worthy President, Major-General FREDERICK WILLIAM BARON DE STEUBEN, who departed this life at Steuben Ville, on the morning of the 28th ult. Conscious that his superior worth will be recollected by his surviving brethren, that the bosoms of the truly great, the virtuous and the good, will nourish as they ought the memory of so inestimable a friend; and that while integrity, friendship, and charity, continue to be revered and respected, that the name of STEUBEN, will occupy an elevated station in the annals of America. The Vice-President requests the members of the Society, to wear the usual mourning for three months, as a mark of their particular veneration and respect for the memory of their departed friend, whose benevolence and philanthropy most of them have experienced, and whose important services to their country every soldier must pointedly recollect.

W. S. SMITH, Vice-President. New-York, Dec. 24, 1794.

ARRIVED.

- Ship Befey, Moors, Norfolk. Brig Jefferson, Morris, Philadelphia. Sloop Ranger, Dunn, ditto. John and Mary, Bird, ditto. Schooner Eagle, Tolls, Norfolk. On the 11th Nov. was captured by the privateer ship Citizen of Marceilles, Capt. Chabot, mounting 28 guns, the ship Betty Cathcart, Captain Gardner, 21 days out from Port-au-Prince, bound to London. On the 17th, the above ship, after an engagement of 20 minutes, captured a Dutch ship and a brig from Demerara—ship's name Donouzeekirten, Capt. Hartenfeldt, 18 guns and 32 men, having on board 505 lbs. sugar, 200,000 wt. coffee, and some cotton and indigo. The brig, called the Factor, Capt. B. Gozes, 16 guns, 28 men, with 320 lbs. sugar, and a great quantity of coffee and cotton; and is the same that came in here on Friday last—she had taken a Spanish brig bound to this place, richly laden, 2d day after leaving Delaware Capes.

Arrived at Boston.

Ship Gen. Lincoln, Joy, London; brig Abigail, Prior, Lisbon; schooners Neptune, Hughes, Barbadoes; Ruby, Milberry, Gaudaloupe; Lucy, Jones, Jamaica; General Heath, Bacon, Rochfort; Jane, Cobb, Cadiz; Polly, Drummond, Demerara; William, Farnham, Madeira.

We have pleasure in informing the public, that Captain Norton of this port, who had been carried into Liverpool (England) for adjudication, has received full satisfaction of all he has demanded, and is ready cash. He may be hourly expected.

Lateſt European Intelligence.

From the American Minerva.

LONDON, October 14.

By letters from Warsaw of the 16th ult. there is intelligence of an engagement on the 13th of the same month, between the Polish troops under General Dombrowſki, and the Prussian corps posted at Kamiona, to guard a considerable magazine of flour, oats, salt, and provisions of all kinds. General Dombrowſki having divided his troops into three columns, attacked the Prussians with equal skill and bravery. The first column forced the enemy and got possession of Kamiona; the second carried a battery; and the third was equally successful in the object of its attack. The Prussians in this action had 100 men killed, and 75 taken prisoners, among the latter of whom were two officers. The whole of the magazines fell into the hands of the Poles.

October 17.

Mr. Dressing yesterday arrived from the Duke of York with dispatches to government. He left his Royal Highness at Nimuegon on Sunday morning, where the utmost pains were exerting to fortify their situation. No attack had been made on them; but Ministers have received the most important news, that the people of EOIS-LE DUC had risen, and demanded of the Governor of the Fortrels that it should be surrendered to the French, as they would not submit to the horrors of a siege. Accordingly the place was delivered up on Thursday, the 9th inst. without firing a shot.

The province of Fritzerland has certainly presented a memorial to the States General calling on them to take into their most serious consideration the alarming state of the Republic, and to occupy themselves forthwith in restoring PEACE to the country. It concludes with a declaration, that if the States General shall not think it advisable to make peace for the whole of the United States, they will certainly think it advisable to treat separately for themselves.

We can assure our readers that a negotiation has for some time been opened between the French and the King of Prussia at Basle. It is conducted on the part of the French by M. Peregraux, the banker, who is invested with powers to treat for a separate peace with Prussia.

The King, by his agent, offered not merely to conclude a peace, but to acknowledge the Republic, on the sole condition that they should abandon the attack upon Holland. This they refused, not from hostility to the Dutch, but because they looked on the reduction of the States General as the surest and most effectual means of waging war with their only remaining and most implacable enemy, the English.

We have this day given the proceedings of the French Convention up to the 8th inst. By the papers from which they are taken, it appears that the contest between the moderate and the violent party has been carried on with great vehemence in the Jacobin Club, and that every day adds strength to the former and weakens the latter.

FRANCE.

Tuesday Oct. 7.

The new members of the committee of General Safety, are Laporte, Reverchon Bentabelle and Reubel, in the room of Dudarrou, Louis of the Bas Rhin, Amal and Bernard-les Saintes.

The popular Society of Marceilles, regenerated thanked the Convention for its Decree of the 25th Sept. which had destroyed the monstrous Colossus that threatened to crush under its weight all the South of France. They increased them to pursue this plot thro' all its ramifications and not to suffer any rival power to rise up and threaten its dissolution.

The Committee of Public Safety were authorized to correct some errors that had crept into the fixing of the maximum.

[Six months ago we ventured upon to announce the French legislation upon

names trifling and unworthy of the dignity of a great nation. We now find the French Convention of the same opinion, and Lyons resumes its old name, Jacobinism is tall crumbling to the dust.]

From the Lanſingburgh American Spy. Mr. WANDS,

THE following extemporaneous production of an irritated retainer of the Muses, occasioned by an attempt to force him into the electioneering service, claims a place in your paper, merely as it may serve to illustrate the observation of Horace, Iracundia facit Poetam. SIMON.

A VAUNT, avunt ye venal crew, The devil take the best of you! Go cringe, electioneer, cajole, Go sell your votes and pawn your soul! What boots it me, an elf obscure, By fortune destin'd to be poor, To hear vile paniers* on my back, If JAY or CLINTON guide the hack? Go trifiers emulate the vain, Go twist and turn if aught ye gain; Shall I, whom nature's deadliest hate, Doom'd on this spot to vegetate, Who when a few chill nights are past, Must sink beneath the chilling blait, And as my withered stalks consume, Shall give your mushroom tribes more room, I, whom no change of place can aid, Say shall I turn a renegade? Ye little fry, who love to sport On fortune's sea and favour's court, Go round the lordly Dolphin play, And eat the refuse of his prey, Go tag behind the Imperial Whale, And drink the spatterings of his tail, If such you like, enjoy your cheer, But from my shatter'd bark stand clear. For me, unlucky Poetaster, Who finds each creditor his master, Is't not enough that I must lie Unnotic'd, while your lords strut by? Is't not enough that I must see My juniors take the wall of me? See great men rise, like Jonah's gourd, And dolness set where genius soar'd? See all that erst inspir'd ambition, Fall, tumbling headlong to perdition! And must you still degrade poor Jack By forcing livery on his back? As lavish Algerines maintain, Their right to slave by link of chain Fix'd round the leg, that men may see They're doom'd to labour for the Dey, Yet this same Dey is but the waiter Of great Morocco's Emperor, And wears, when whims his master's brain, Himself a link of gilded chain.

* Alluding to the fable of the Ass in the Slop.

† It is said that the Algerine prisoners, when there are no French or English ships in the harbour, wear a link of chain around the leg, merely as a badge of servitude.

A Special Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society for promoting the Abolition of Slavery, &c. &c. will be held at the usual place, on Second Day next, the 20th inst. at 6 o'clock in the Evening.

M-Phersons Blues.

THE Corps are desired to parade in Uniform on Saturday next at 9 o'clock A. M. in front of the State-House; with their Arms, accoutrements, and any other public property in their possession, for the purpose of delivering up the same.

By order of the Colonel, Robert Heysham, Adjt.

WANTED,

A person well acquainted with FARMING as practiced in this state, to go to the neighbourhood of the Federal City. He must be well recommended for Honesty, Sobriety, Industry, &c. Enquire of

Garrett Cottringer, No. 42, north Fifth Street. d1w Dec. 26

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And to be sold by the Subscriber, at his House, corner of Lombard and Fifth streets, and by the different Bookellers in the City.

THE Philadelphia Directory and Register, &c.

Embellished with a correct plan of the city By JAMES HARDIE, A. M. (PRICE 62 1-2 CENTS.)

ALSO, A short Account of the City of Philadelphia,

And of the different charitable and literary institutions therein, embellished with the same plan, price 27 1-2 cents.

Where likewise may be had the Plan by itself, price 19 cents. N. B. An Appendix, containing the names and residences of the Congress, the Legislature of Pennsylvania, names omitted, Officer of the different Societies, &c. will be delivered to Subscribers for the Directory, early in January next. Dec. 26 2awtf

GEORGE MEADE'S

COMPTING HOUSE is removed to the South side of Walnut-Street Wharf, one Door West from the Corner. Dec. 20.

From the Delaware and Eastern-Shore Avertiser.

Messrs. Adams & Smith.

I send you a translation of few anecdotes extracted from the Journals of the prisons at Paris, under the government of Robespierre. They exhibit striking marks of French gaiety and fortitude under the most awful circumstances of mortality.

A prisoner named Goinay, aged 27 years, who had formerly been a grenadier in the regiment of Artois, was confined at the Conciergerie for the crime of emigration. When the act of his accusation was brought him, he took it with great indifference, and rolling it up, applied one end of it to a candle, and lighted his pipe with it. When the articles of his accusation were read to him from the tribunal, he positively acknowledged the truth of them all. His attorney observing to him that he must have lost his head, he answered that his head was never more fully in his possession than at this moment, though, indeed, he was on the eve of losing it in reality.—He added, "cease to defend me, thou officious advocate, and let me be led to the guillotine."—Being condemned to die, he walked through the court with his usual gaiety, without discovering the least change in his countenance.

In the hall of the condemned, he eat and drank with a good appetite, and great cheerfulness. As he passed thro' the court of the palace, some who followed, began to hiss him; but he answered quite composed, What, ye cowardly miscreants! do ye insult me? Which of you would go to death with as much courage as I do? At the scaffold, he exclaimed, Well, here I am, where I have long wished to be!—and very tranquilly delivered his head to the executioner.

One of the prisoners, who excited the most pity was Roucher, the author of the poem entitled, "The Months." He passed his time in forming the youthful mind of one of his children called Emilius; and this occupation charmed the tediousness of his confinement. On the day he received the copy of his accusation, he clearly foresaw the fate that awaited him, and sent his son with a portrait of himself, drawn by Sover, to his wife. This present was accompanied with four verses, addressed to her and his children, to the following effect:

"Be not surpris'd ye sweet and charming objects, "If some dark clouds obscure my placid front. "While the skill'd artist this resemblance drew, "I saw the scaffold rise, and thought of you."

I could send you, Messrs. Printers, some other anecdotes of this nature, but they harrow up the soul, and excite too distressing sympathy for a great and gallant people, thus bleeding under the reign of a Despot, more sanguinary and rapacious, than any that was ever decorated with a crown. Yet this magnificent and tiger, for more than three years profaned the sacred name, while he was exterminating the friends of Liberty—While he was daily sending cart loads of innocent victims to the scaffold—the rights of man was the constant theme of his declamations, and the worship of the Eternal the subject of his hypocritical canting. Americans beware! If any similar characters should ever arise among you, by their fruits ye shall know them, not by their professions.

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NEW THEATRE.

THIS EVENING, DECEMBER 26.

Will be Presented, The TRAGEDY of

George Barnwell,

Thorowgood, Mr. Whitlock Uncle, Mr. Merwin George Barnwell, Mr. Cleveland Trueman, Mr. Green Blum, Mr. Francis Gaoler, Mr. De Mounins

Maria, Mrs. Cleveland Millwood, Mrs. Francis Lucy, Mrs. Shaw

In Act 2d a SONG, by Miss Broadhurst

To which will be added, For the last time this Season, a PANTOMIME, called the

Birth of Harlequin, Or the FRIENDLY WITCHES.

Harlequin, Mr. Francis Pantaloon, Mr. Green Miser, Mr. Blisset Clown, Mr. Milbourne Lawyer, Mr. Darley Jan. 1st Witch, Mr. Darley 2d Witch, Mr. Marshall 3d Witch, Mr. Warrall Bricklayers, Messrs. Warrall, J. Warrall, &c.

Maid, Mrs. Cleveland Columbine, Mrs. De Margie

To conclude with A Grand Garland Dance in the TEMPLE of LIBERTY.