

the peculiar blessings arising from a government free in principle and pure in practice; we will deserve the respect and admiration of mankind, and we will obtain the superintending care and protection of the God of Heaven, the Omnipotent Sovereign of the universe.

At 3 o'clock it partook of an elegant dinner, at which Captain Hartman and Miss J. Mitchell, president and Vice-President, and the following names dined, each succeeded by appropriate music.

1st. The 4th of July 1776—the day we commemorated 1 gun, 3 cheers. *Washington's March.*

2d. The United States of America.—May their freedom, sovereignty, and independence be perpetual. 1 gun, 17 cheers. *Bal Cimarron.*

3d. THOMAS JEFFERSON, President of the United States.—Let our Executive be strengthened by reasonable confidence, not weakened by ungenerous suspicion. 1 gun, 9 cheers. *Jefferson's March.*

4th. GEORGE CLINTON, Vice-President of the United States. 1 gun, 3 cheers. *Thomas' Doodle.*

5th. The Heads of Departments of the United States.—May they always be endowed with clear heads and pure hearts, and always employ their mental and intellectual faculties in support of the honor and dignity of their country. 1 gun, 8 cheers. *Adams and Liberty.*

6th. The State of North-Carolina. 1 gun, 3 cheers. *Life let us cherish.*

7th. The Governor of North-Carolina. 1 gun, 3 cheers. *Wilmington March.*

8th. The Militia of the United States, the bulwark of American Independence.—May they be found at the water's edge when the defense of their country requires their services there. 1 gun, 9 cheers. *Soldier's Joy.*

9th. The Navy of the United States.—May its vigilance defy suspicion, and its courage command respect. 1 gun, 2 cheers. *The Rover.*

10th. Republicans and Federalists.—May their union produce Americans. 1 gun, 2 cheers. *Drink to me only with thine eyes, etc.*

11th. The memory of GENERAL GARTH Washington; the first in war, the first in peace, and the first in the hearts of his countrymen. 4 solemn peals. *Roxbury Castle.*

12th. The memory of the Heroes who fell to obtain (that which every American would fall to support) American independence. 1 gun, 9 cheers. *Mahan.*

13th. The memory of FRANKLIN, ADAMS, and HANCOCK. *Concord.*

14th. The good Citizen, who despises that gain, which must be obtained by a contravention of the laws of his country. 1 gun, 2 cheers. *Henry's Cottage Bluff.*

15th. Our amiable country-women. May they remember, and may it be our boast, that none but the brave deserve the Fair. 1 gun, 6 cheers. *Fair American.*

16th. The Embargo, may its effects upon the haughty bellies of Europe, convince them of our national importance, and teach them to respect the rights of our neutrality. 1 gun, 9 cheers. *American Commerce and Freedom.*

17th. Confusion, never failing infamy and detestation attend all traitors and disorganizers. *Rogue's March.*

VOLUNTEER TOASTS.

By the President. The American Volunteers—May they support the name when called on by their country.

By Lieutenant Mitchell. Thomas N. Gallier, former Captain of the Volunteer Corps.

By Ensign McColl. Peace and civil liberty throughout the world.

By Mr. Osborne. The memory of General GREEN, who may be justly invited the honour of the Southern States of the Union.

By Mr. Wiggin. Great-Britain & France. Let us view them with impartiality, that is with equal suspicion "as enemies in war, in peace friends."

The Company retired at an early hour with perfect order and decorum.

The 4th of July 1808, the glorious era of American Independence was celebrated in Smithville as follows: The day was ushered in by a discharge of 17 canon from Fort Johnson, and at 3 o'clock P. M. the inhabitants, together with the gentlemen of the army and navy, partook of a dinner prepared for the occasion at the house of Mr. Benj. Blaney; after which the following toasts were drunk, each accompanied with a gun, martial music, and some witty appropriate cheering.

1. The day we celebrate.
2. The President of the United States.
3. The Vice-President.
4. The heads of Departments.
5. The Congress of the United States.
6. The Judiciary of the United States—may they support the true spirit of the constitution.

7. The Army and Navy of the U. S.
8. The Militia—the great pillar of the nation.

9. The Memory of GENERAL GEORGE Washington.

10. The State of North-Carolina.

11. The Governor of North-Carolina.

12. The Embargo—Majestic Powers be brought to a due sense of the importance of our Commerce.

13. Agriculture, Commerce and Manufactures.

14. The Memory of Warren, Montgomery, Nash and all the worthy Heroes who fell in establishing our independence.

15. The United States—an asylum to the oppressed Sons of Erin, and the virtuous Emigrants of all nations.

16. The Patriotism of '76—May it continue unabated in the breast of every true American.

17. The Fair Daughters of Columbia.

VOLUNTEERS.

By Capt. Eaton. J. Ross, the first and chief promoter of Smithville.

By John Cooper. Population, peace, and prosperity to the land we live in.

By Commodore Campbell. Prosperity to the Commerce of the town of Wilmington.

By Dr. Reeder Everett. The happiness of our brave countrymen at the siege of Toulon. *Adieu Digne.*

By Capt. Roberts. May the report of the triumphs of this day ascend to heaven, and may she angels thereof join in Chorus to the tune of *Hail Columbia.*

By Robert Potter. The United States of America—spirit to resist, and power to repel foreign aggressions.

By Mr. Clitheroe. The American Eagle—May we gloriously fulfil its defiance, ere we suffer its wings to be plucked or its talons pained by any tyrannical usurping power on the globe.

By Mr. Pitt. The citizens of the United States—unanimity in their political sentiments.

By Major Perry. Let the ruffians of liberty ever support the American flag.

The day was spent in joyous conviviality, and the evening closed with the utmost harmony.

WILMINGTON, TUESDAY, JULY 12, 1808.

From the *Popettville Intelligencer.*

DIED

On Friday the first inst. at the house of Mr. Stark, 28 miles from Petersburg, Vir. on the post-road, after a very short illness, Mr. ROBERT DONALDSON, merchant of this place.

Mr. Donaldson's worth can only be estimated by those who were personally acquainted with him. The responsibility of his character, dignity, and affability of his manners were such as to engage the esteem and affection of all who knew him. In the various important relations of life in which he stood, his conduct was truly exemplary. The shock which his partner in life has received was almost insupportable. His children have lost a tender and affectionate parent—Society, both civil and religious, has lost a friend—He was a friend to religion—a friend to man;

"How then their loss deplore that are not far fit."

LATE AND INTERESTING.

NEW-YORK, June 24.

The ship *Huntington*, capt. Dolan, arrived at this port last evening in 30 days from Cork. She left there on the 17th of May, and brings papers to the 14th, containing London dates to the 9th, 12 days later than any European intelligence hitherto received.—They give us the opportunity of announcing to the readers of the *MERCANTILE ADVERTISER*, the arrival in England of the ship *Osage* on the 20th April with the American refugees (Mellis, Nourse and Lewis) on board. As on the tenor of the dispatches they may bring from the French government the tranquility of the United States will perhaps in a great measure depend.

Mr. Lyman, the American consul at London, has notified the merchants, that the English government had established the most rigorous blockade of the port of Copenhagen, and all the other ports in Island of Zealand.

A fleet of four sail of the line had sailed from the Downs, supposed to blockade some port on the Dutch coast.

The Swedes were fulfilling important defeats.—Our latest accounts present them as having established their head-quarters at a small town almost at the extremity of the Gulf of Bothnia. The Russians, with the exception of Sweaborg, have overrun Finland along the coast of the Gulf of Bothnia, almost to the frontier of Swedish Lapland, the most important places in Finland being situated on the Gulf.

At 11 A.M. of Saturday, from the commanding situation usually called the Eye of the Baltic, is reported to have been taken possession of by a detachment of 100 thousand French and Russians.

A Russian edict is said to have been issued prohibiting all intercourse between Russia and all countries not in her alliance.

The American frigates *Hannah*, *Ann*, *Ranger*, *Reward*, *Neptune*, and *Mayflower*, have been seized by a French privateer in the port of Alicant.

LONDON, May 9.

Mr. Morris yesterday visited Lloyd's coffee house. We have no doubt this gentleman will, on his return to America, be able to bear testimony at least to the more courteous hospitality of our Island, than that he experienced in France. When at L'Orsot, a guard was stationed before his dwelling, and it was not without difficulty that he succeeded in preventing the reading and inspection of his papers. It is not true, as was asserted in some of the papers of yesterday, that General Armstrong had demanded passports for himself.

An order of council will shortly appear, for the restoration of all Portuguese property detained in this country, as belongs to Portuguese subjects now within this realm, or who are with their lawful sovereign in the Brazils.

CORK, May 17.

A new edition of a very old book has just been published at Paris. It is entitled "Everlasting Prophecy from the year 1521 to the end of the world." The author is Joseph Just, of Naples. The Academy of Sciences, at Paris is said to have transmitted this little work, of 54 pages, to the Minister Layon, and what is still more, to have found it invariably correct for the last 150 years. Of the year 1806, it is said: "Let people procure a supply of oats and commodities, for at the end of August commences a great war, which extends to many regions. The people suffer death, and great calamities, in 1807, a great quantity of snow will fall in the beginning of February: many inundations. The most important prophecy relates to the year 1811. "It will be difficult to preserve the cattle through the severity of winter; from that year a peace of a whole century will be enjoyed by Carthage; bread, wine and clothing, will then be cheap."

NEWCASTLE, June 21.

Hollister with Algiers.—Capt. Turio, who arrived at Marskehead, Sunday, 39 days from Gibraltar, informs that he has a letter from Mr. Lear American Consul at Algiers, to Mr. Gaine, at Gibraltar, dated about the 10th April, advising that the Algerine squadron of 3 frigates and several gun brigs were out cruising for Americans, and expressed the opinion that hostilities were declared.—Their presence, when they failed, were that they were bound against the Tunisians, but that their real object was to capture American property sufficient to amount to 2000 dollars, for each of the Algerines destroyed by the Americans at the time of their hostility. Mr. Lear recommended that American vessels, in the Mediterranean, should remain in port. Capt. Turio learned by an English cruising vessel that they had been the Algerine squadron, and think they were cruising between Cape Spartel and Madeira.

We understand that the Day of Algiers has lately given ground to distrust his peaceful dispositions towards the United States. After having settled with the American consul there the differences which arose, in December last including the case of the Algerine seaman who perished in the rescue of the American vessel captured by one of the day's cruisers, he suddenly set up a demand about the middle of March for two thousand dollars a man, threatening to put Mr. Lear in chains if not paid in twenty-four hours. This was resisted. He then gave notice, that two frigates and other cruisers just on the point of sailing had orders to capture American vessels, which would infallibly go into execution unless the money should be immediately paid. To obtain a recall of the orders, Mr. Lear thought it best to comply, signifying to the Day, that he should communicate it to his government as the result of the force put on him. The day before, Mr. Lear was threatened, the Danish consul, on the protest that arrests were due from his government, had been seized by order of the Day, and actually set to work among the slaves, with an iron chain of 40 lbs. fastened to him. Mr. Lear

had circulated through the vessels at different ports this state of things with the Algerine Regency.

NEW YORK, June 12.

FROM THE PUBLIC ADVERTISER.

Who shall be our next vice-president?

The question which has been so long and so frequently agitated, "Who shall be our next president?" seems to be now pretty well settled; and the only enquiry at present, is, "Who shall be our next vice-president?"

The answer to this question is easy, if Gov. Clinton, listening to the dictates of his own honest judgment, and turning a deaf ear to the suggestions of evil counsellors, shall declare his willingness to sacrifice what are denominated "his claims to the next presidency," to the wishes and the unity of the republican party. In that event he will with the unanimous suffrage of the republican electors, be no doubt, again invested with the second honor in his country's gift.

Should governor Clinton, however, silently continue to behold himself supported by abandoned men as their candidate for the Presidency—The Republican majority who have nominated him for vice-president, may consider such silence as a virtual rejection of their offer, and will of consequence be obliged to select another candidate. To that cause they will also be directed by considerations of the impropriety and folly of yielding their support to a man who shows no disposition to harmonize with them, but on the contrary permits the influence of his name to be arrayed in opposition to their proceedings and interests.

We confidently trust that the vice-president will yet act in relation to this affair, in a manner worthy of himself and of his former fame; that he will listen to the voice of the republican majority, and bow to it in patriotic submission. But if our expectations should unfortunately be disappointed; and if circumstances should render it absolutely necessary for the republican majority to nominate another candidate for the office of vice-president, we hope that their choice may fall on the virtuous and patriotic John Langdon of New-Hampshire, a gentleman of excellent talents, of irreproachable morals, and of inflexible political integrity.

If we were advocates for *state claims* we would add that Langdon is from a section of the union which the very respectable and populous, has never had one of its citizens honored with the appointment of president, vice-president, judge of the supreme court, foreign ambassador, or a head of either of the departments.

PORT OF WILMINGTON.

July 5th, Brig. Clermont, Rogers, George-top.

2d, Schooner *Betsy*, Girdler, Marble-heads.

At a meeting of the Commissioners of the Town, 4th July, 1808.

ORDERED, that public notice be given, that the following persons have been engaged to serve as a Town Watch & Guard, viz. John Larkins, Richard Taylor, Daniel O'Neill, Richard Emberton, John Sunday and Clos Allmang, for the term of one year, and that it be part of the duty of said Guard to take up all negroes found on the streets after 9 o'clock without a pass, and commit them to jail at the expense of the owner; to patrol the streets on the sabbath day for the purpose of preserving order and quiet thereto by dispersing all collections of negroes, and for the purpose of preventing goods from being retailed out of any shop, and negroes or others from being entertained therein on that day.

By order of the Commissioners,
THO. CALLENDER, T. CH.

Wilmington, July 12.

2d

Saddlery & Harness making.

MR. PEPPER being about to leave this place, informs his friends and customers that he has entered into a partnership with Josiah Harrison, and that business will be done under the firm of Peper & Harrison, at the old stand in Market-street, where a general assortment of articles in their line will be constantly on hand, and work done in the best manner. All orders from the country will be punctually attended to, and thanks fully received.

JAMES PEPPER.

JOSIAH HARRISON.

N. B. All persons indebted to us are requested to make immediate payment to Mr. Harrison as he is dr. so authorized to settle my business in my absence. J. P.

May 17.

Blanks of different kinds for sale at this Office.