

NEW BERN, Dec. 19.

We learn from France, that the count de Montiers has been appointed minister plenipotentiary of France to the United States of America, in place of the Chevalier de la Luzerne. The count was to have taken his passage in the packet lately arrived at New-York; but on account of some delay, is detained till another opportunity. — That the marshal de Castries, minister of the navy, on account of his ill state of health, had resigned; and that the count de la Luzerne is appointed to succeed him. The count is brother to the chevalier de la Luzerne, and is now in the island of Hispaniola, where he commands as governor of the French Leeward islands. A frigate has been dispatched for him; in the mean time the count de Montmorin, minister of foreign affairs, is at the head of the navy.

We are happy in informing the gentlemen of the ancient and honorable society of Free and Accepted Masters that the convention for electing the Grand Masters and Grand Officers for this state, met at Tarborough on Saturday the 9th inst. and made choice of the following gentlemen, to form the Grand Lodge of the state of North-Carolina, for the year 1788.

SAMUEL JOHNSON, Esq; Grand Master

His Excellency RICHARD CASWELL Esq; deputy Grand Master.

RICHARD ELLIS Esq; Grand Senior Warden.

MICHAEL PAYNE Esq; Grand Junior Warden.

ABNER NEALE Esq; Grand Treasurer.

The Honourable JAMES GLASGOW, Esq; Grand Secretary.

On Wednesday in the afternoon, Samuel Johnson Esq; Grand Master of the North Carolina Masons, was elected Governor of this state.

Extract of a letter from Tarborough Wednesday Dec. 12, 1787.

On Saturday the nomination for a governor took place, Alexander Martin, Samuel Johnson, John Williams (the Judge) William Richardson Davie and William Blount were named.

The first paper which was found illegible, the two latter on Monday withdrew their names or one or the other would certainly have been elected; the name, of Richard Dobbs Spaight was then inserted, to whose election his name was the principal objection, and on this day the election has been made and Samuel Johnson is chosen—the salary is reduced to six hundred pounds paper money—much

of the public business remains yet to be done, much private has been done, the judges after all by their adherence to the constitution will be found to be the only security the people have for their liberty or property.

COMMITTED to the goal of this district a Run-away negro man, who calls himself JACK, and says he is the property of Thomas Ferden of Pungo. He is forty-five years of age and about five feet six inches high.

The owner of said slave is hereby requested to come, pay charges, and take him away, as otherwise he will be disposed of according to law.

WILLIAM DUDLEY.

Dec. 19.

NEWBERN POST-OFFICE.

To be let to the lowest bidder the conveyance of the mail from this office to Wilmington, on horse back, for one year, to commence on the 1st day of January next.

Proposals will be received at this office until the 25th inst — Bond and security will be required for the true performance of the contract.—The mail to be conveyed twice a week from the 1st May to the 1st November, and three times a week from the 1st Nov. to the 1st May.

H. MACHEN P. M.

Dec. 1.

THE subscribers have lately removed from their store on the County-Wharf, to the corner store next door to Messrs Cole & Steventon, and are now opening for sale, a fresh and general assortment of merchandize, suitable for the present and approaching seasons, which they are determined to sell very low, for cash or country produce.

TAGERT ROSS & TAGERT.

Dec. 4.

ALMANACKS

and BLANKS of all kinds,

TO BE SOLD,

BY THE PRINTER HEREOF.

Dec. 4.

TWENTY SHILLING REWARD.

LOST, or stolen. a Bl Mullet with an iron rail marked J M on the mounting. Any body who will apprehend the thief, and deliver said mullet to the Printer hereof will receive the above reward.

Dec 17.

WHEREAS, a few years ago, I gave my note in obligation to the executors of Lovick for thirty odd barrels of corn, for the payment of which Mr. William Heritage was security; and whereas, altho I have faithfully discharged the whole amount of said note or obligation, the holder of it refused to cancel it, or deliver it up to me, I do hereby forwarn any persons whatever, from receiving or taking an assignment of, said note, being determined to pay it a second time, as I have in my possession a receipt from Samuel H. P. Esq; attorney at law for said executors.

HENRY PURS

Dec. 29.

For sale

at James Carney

best Bordeaux

CLARET

in bottles, and by the hog

Oct. 31.

The Western Post will start early.

Letters remaining in the Office of Joseph German head of Trade Phillip Kowles, Beaufort &

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