

...with communicated by me...
...the Council of Five Hundred...
...the Executive Directory...
...it shall be printed, posted up, and...
...transmitted to all the communes...
...of the Republic by extraordinary coun-
...cils.

The Council of Elders also de-
...creed the following address to the
...French people:—
**THE COUNCIL OF ELDERS TO THE
...FRENCH NATION.**

Frenchmen,
The Council of Elders exercises
...the right delegate to it by the 102d
...article of the constitution of the leg-
...islative body. It exercises this right in
...order to suppress the factions which
...aim at subverting the national rep-
...resentation, and in order to restore
...internal peace. It exercises this
...right, in order also to restore that
...external peace, which humanity
...and your lengthened sacrifices de-
...mand. The common safety, and
...common prosperity are the objects
...of this constitutional measure. They
...shall be accomplished. And do
...you, inhabitants of Paris, remain
...tranquil; the presence of the leg-
...islative body will soon be restored
...to you. Frenchmen, the results of
...this day will soon show whether the
...legislature be worthy and capable
...of preparing the means of your hap-
...piness. Live the people, by whom,
...and in whom, exists the Repub-
...lic.

The present address shall be prin-
...ted, proclaimed, and posted up, al-
...ong with the decree transferring
...the residence of the legislative body,
...and as forming a part of it.

COUNCIL OF FIVE HUNDRED
...Sitting at St. Cloud—November 10
...Lucien Buonaparte, President.
In presence of the Decree passed
...yesterday by the Council of Elders,
...the sitting was held in the Green
...Hall of the old-avenue castle of St.
...Cloud. The necessary preparation
...for the reception of the council re-
...sided at the opening of the sitting till
...2 o'clock.

A violent and stormy debate took
...place. The President put on his
...hat, but could not preserve order.
...Several members rose to demand the
...reason of the removal of the leg-
...islative body, but were silenced by the
...clamours of the assembly. Tranqui-
...lity being at length restored, a se-
...cretary read a letter from Barras, in
...which he gives in his resignation.

While one of the members were
...making observations on the letter
...of Barras, the doors of the hall open-
...ed.
General BUONAPARTE appeared,
...accompanied by an escort of between
...twenty and thirty persons, and walk-
...ed up towards the President.

A vehement agitation arose among
...part of the members, who started
...precipitately from their seats towards
...Buonaparte, surrounded him, and
...pulled him back with violence. In
...the midst of this tumult a person was
...heard vociferating the cry of "Out-
...law him! Outlaw him!" One or
...two voices were heard exclaiming:
..."This is the moment to deliver France!"
A member attempted to stab him
...with a dagger, but the blow was
...warded off by a grenadier.
Buonaparte stepped back firmly,
...and ordered the grenadiers to with-
...draw. He went along with them
...out of the hall.

The tumult increased to the most
...violent pitch. All the members quit-
...ted their seats, and walked through
...the hall in disorder, conversing with
...the greatest warmth and vehemence.
The tribune was choked up by a
...crowd of members.

By degrees order was restored.
The President.—"The extreme
...agitation which has appeared in this
...assembly doubtless is a proof that the
...love of the Republic, that the passion
...for liberty enflames every heart.
But in seeing the general of the guard
...of the legislative body appear in this
...hall, you ought not to have suspected
...him of any odious design. You
...ought not thus to have witnessed the
...laurels of a man who has rendered
...signal services to his country. He
...came to inform you of the critical
...situation in which the Republic is
...placed. He came to discharge the
...duty which the executive with which
...he is invested imposes on him. I
...move that every inquiry be most
...calculated to remove the disquietude
...of the Council."
A member with vehemence, "Buon-
...aparte has tarnished his glory. I
...desire him to appoint, in the ex-
...ecution of republicans, and of every
...Frenchman."

Another member.—"I move that
...the Council immediately decide
...upon the expediency of the present
...measure, and the place of the two
...councils shall extend."
Bertrand.—"When the Council of
...Elders transferred the national rep-
...resentation to St. Cloud, they exer-
...cised a right which by the constitu-
...tion belonged to them. But when
...they appointed a commandant of
...the guard of the legislative body,
...they exceeded the rights and the
...powers; they openly infringed the
...constitution. I move that you annul
...his nomination as illegal and uncon-
...stitutional, and that you instantly de-
...clare that Gen. Buonaparte is not
...commander of the legislative body."
"Seconded! Seconded! Bravo!
...Bravo!" exclaimed a number of
...voices.

Talon.—"The first object that
...ought to engage your attention is
...your independence; your safety;
...the publicity of your deliberations.
What! The Council of Elders have
...ventured openly to violate the con-
...stitution by appointing the command-
...ant of your guard. What! They
...have removed you to a village!
What! They have sent us to deli-
...berate in the midst of armed men!
It is not that I dread the brave de-
...fenders, by whom we are surrounded.
Their bayonets are terrible only to
...the enemies of liberty. But I con-
...tend that Buonaparte is not com-
...mandant of the legislature. (He is
...not, he is not, exclaimed a number
...of members.) I move that a message
...be sent to the Council of Elders to
...request them to repeal their decree,
...and permit us to return to Paris,
...and far from dreading the soldiers by
...whom you are surrounded, I move
...that you decree that the whole armed
...force, by which we are surrounded,
...is the guard of the legislative body."
Bravo, Bravo! exclaimed a num-
...ber of members rising and waving
...their hats. Vivent the defenders of
...the country! Vivent the constitu-
...tion!

Grandmaison.—"We are only
...crossing and contradictory proposi-
...tions, without coming to any deci-
...sion: I move that you begin by de-
...claring the appointment of Buon-
...aparte to be unconstitutional," (yes,
...yes," was rejoined from several
...parts of the hall.)
Lucien Buonaparte left the chair,
...and proceeded to the tribune; Cas-
...saffre preceded in his stead.
"I entreat the Council calmly to
...reflect," said L. Buonaparte, "on
...the commotion that has manifested
...itself—it may not be needless to re-
...present . . . [here he was inter-
...rupted by a loud voice who said—"do
...not attempt to amuse us!"]
"I propose," continued L. Bu-
...naparte, "that you summon the
...general who commands your guard
...to appear before you."
"We do not acknowledge him,"
...exclaimed several members.
"When cool consideration," ob-
...served Lucien, "will have settled in
...your breasts the extraordinary emo-
...tion which you have testified, (mor-
...mours) you will perhaps be sensible of
...the injustice done to general Bu-
...naparte. Whatever may be the event,
...I now, in your presence, lay down
...on the altar of the country the badge
...of the magistracy with which the
...people had invested me."
On saying these words, he laid
...down his badge of office on the pre-
...sident's table; upon which the doors
...of the hall were opened, and twenty
...grenadiers entered. They advanced
...towards the bureau, took L. Bu-
...naparte innocently, and placing him
...in the midst of them, they con-
...ducted him out of the hall.

The Council was seized with ex-
...treme agitation. Cries, vociferous
...roars and tumultuous confusion re-
...sulted from the members who suddenly quit-
...ted their places. Noise would be
...difficultly heard.
Grandmaison, Billaud, Delbre, Bi-
...sonnet, Sherlock, Couthon, and
...dozen other members, pressed toward
...the tribune.
Sherlock made an effort to speak
...but could scarcely make himself
...heard amidst the tumult. "I moved
...that he, 'That you call back you
...president whose resignation you have
...not accepted."
"He could have done nothing
...more," exclaimed several members,
...man to have given it."
Mean time, at a distance was heard
...the sound of drums, not that the
...parade charge. Soon after, the
...doors of the hall were thrown open; and a third
...time the spectators endeavoured precipi-

tately to escape by leaping out of the
...windows.

An officer came forward, followed
...by a number of soldiers, and exclaimed
..."But I declared the representa-
...tives of the people must not be divi-
...ded, on the contrary unite your
...will, and whatever your firmness
...shall decide, I shall be but an arm
...devoted to the safety of the Republic;
...the safety of liberty and equality."
Inglet.—"And the constitution!"
Buonaparte.—"The constitution!
...Is it now a ground of security to
...the French people? You violated
...it on the 13th Fructidor; you have
...violated it on the 22d Floreal; you
...violated it on the 30th Prairial. It
...is nothing but an empty sound,
...which serves the purpose of every
...faction."
"All the rights of the people
...have been violated. It is time that
...you should defend them against ev-
...ery attack. Consider what ought
...to be done for the protection of li-
...berty. If you do not save it, you
...and your children will be disgraced
...in the eyes of posterity—You are
...accountable for its safety. Act,
...and if the execution of your decree
...be opposed, I shall appeal to my
...brave companions in arms, & to my
...fortune."
Buonaparte left the Council. A
...message from the Council of Five
...Hundred stated that it was constitu-
...ted by a majority.

**COUNCIL OF FIVE HUN-
...DRED, Nov. 10.**
About six o'clock the Council of
...Five Hundred constituted them-
...selves, the majority of the members
...having repaired to the hall of the sit-
...ting.
Lucien Buonaparte took the
...chair, and invited the Council to re-
...sume the deliberations.
Boulay de la Meurthe made in the
...name of the committee of five, a re-
...port on the plan which had been re-
...ferred to them.
"The Council of Elders," said
...he, "in ordering the removal of the
...Legislative Body to St. Cloud, had
...for its object to arrive at a favor-
...able goal for the maintenance of their
...liberty.
They have been convinced that the re-
...sults of their organization of the
...constitution. The representa-
...tives of the people must candidly
...allow that experience has itself pro-
...ved, that there exists in our organi-
...zation, vices, which from its estab-
...lishment, have never ceased to pro-
...duce distractions in the Republic,
...and with respect to the security of
...the constitution, it has hitherto fail-
...ed in its object. Facts have pro-
...ved this. Some months after it
...was put into execution, the Direc-
...tory were obliged to make the 13th
...Fructidor, and soon afterwards the
...22d Floreal, which also made neces-
...sary by the nature of the choices
...made at the elections. Thus there
...was a necessity of proceeding from
...violation to violation, as it were by
...thrusts. It is time to consider of
...improvement, which produces the
...necessity of a provisional and inter-
...mediate state, which will prepar-
...the means of making the people
...enjoy their rights in their full ex-
...tension."
Villetard, reporter from the com-
...mittee proposed the following resolu-
...tion:
"The Council of Five Hundred
...considering the situation of the re-
...public, declares that the business is
...urgent, and adopts the following
...resolution:
Article 1st. There is no longer any
...executive directory, and the follow-
...ing persons are no longer members
...of the national representation, on
...account of the excesses and the vi-
...olent attempts which they have uni-
...formly made, and particularly the
...greater part of them in the sitting
...of the morning.
(Here follow the names of 16 mem-
...bers.)
2d. The legislative body creat-
...ed provisionally an Executive Coun-
...cil Committee, composed of citi-
...zens Billaud and Roger Ducos, ex-
...Directors, and Buonaparte Gene-
...ral.—They shall bear the name of
...Committee of the French Republic."
3d. The Council of Five Hun-
...dred, and especially the constituted
...representatives in all parts of the
...administration, are to procure an
...honourable and solid peace.
4th. It is authorized to send de-
...legates with a power limited ac-
...cording to its own power.
5th. The legislative body is ad-
...vised to meet at that period in full
...power at Paris.

Several members set out immedi-
...ately for Paris. Others remained
...at St. Cloud to observe the delibe-
...rations of the Council of Elders,
...and their extraordinary movement al-
...ong the troops, who filled the
...square of the palace. From time
...to time were heard the cries of
..."Buonaparte, Vive la Republique!"
General Buonaparte, on leaving the
...Council of Five Hundred, advanced
...towards the soldiers and harangued
...them. He entreated them to re-
...main calm, and to rest assured that
...the good cause should triumph. They
...all answered by shouts of "Vive Bu-
...naparte!"

COUNCIL OF ELDERS.
Continuation of the Sitting of Novem-
...ber 10.

A letter was received from the
...Secretary General of the Directory
...to the following effect:
Citizens Representatives,
I have not been able to receive the
...Messenger of State dispatched by the
...Council of Elders, to the Executive
...Directory. Four of the members
...have sent in their resignation—the
...fifth is in custody, by the order of Ge-
...neral Buonaparte—There no longer
...exists a Directory,
Health and respect,
(Signed) **LEGARDE.**

The Council decreed that this ne-
...ver should be sent to the Council of
...Five Hundred.
After the interval of about a quar-
...ter of an hour, a tumultuous move-
...ment was manifested in the Council.
The arrival of General Buonaparte
...was announced. He requested
...permission to speak, having infor-
...mation to communicate.
There was instantly a profound si-
...lence.
"Buonaparte—Representatives
...of the people, you are not in a com-
...mon crisis; you tread upon a vul-
...cano ready to destroy you. Yester-
...day Paris was in the most profound
...tranquility. I have united all my
...brethren in arms in the execution
...of the measures which you have ad-
...opted.
"I have given proofs of my de-
...votion to the Republic, and the
...country has not had a more zealous
...defender than I have proved myself.
This day, however, I am surrounded
...with calumny, and covered with
...reproach and obloquy.
"I hear circulated around me
...the words Cromwell, military gov-
...ernment, &c. Had I wished to
...establish a military government, I
...should long since have attempted
...that enterprise. Since I returned
...to Paris, I have been solicited by
...some factions to seize upon the au-
...thority of the State. I declare that
...such propositions have been made
...to me by Barras and Merlin, and
...I rejected the government, and re-
...sumed the direction of affairs. I
...resented their insinuations, because I
...was of no party, or coterie—I com-
...municated these objects to several
...representatives. I united my
...strength to those of the Council of
...Elders, and I have only accepted the
...command entrusted to me, with the
...view of resigning it after having
...triumphed over the enemies of the
...Republic. I think not then that you

will see in me a vile intriguer—I know
...no great coterie but the French peo-
...ple.

6th. During the adjournment of
...the legislative body, the members
...shall preserve their indemnity and
...their constitutional security.
7th. They may, without losing
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...the people, be employed as Minis-
...ters, Diplomatic Agents, Delegates
...of the executive Consular Commit-
...tee, and in all other civil functions.
They are even invited in the name
...of the public good to accept them.
8th. Before their separation, and
...during the time of their sitting, each
...Council shall name from among
...their members a committee of 25
...members.
9th. The committee appointed by
...the two Councils, will, in con-
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...the executive consulate, determine
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...inconvenient or vicious.
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PARIS, November 13.

The consulate entered, the 20th
...Brumaire, (11th Nov.) on its func-
...tions. There will not be a president
...of it, but a consul for the day. This
...authority has notified its installation
...at the national palace of the Lux-
...embourg, to the two legislative com-
...mittees.
The consulate has been since oc-
...cupied with nominating to the most
...important places.
Maret, ex-ambassador at Naples,
...is appointed secretary general of the
...consulate.
Gordin, formerly commissioner
...of the treasury, and since commis-
...sary general of the executive direc-
...tory for the administration at the
...wars, is minister of finance. Al-
...exandre Berthier, minister of war,
...is appointed minister of justice; and
...Fouché, of police; and
...Lafayette, of foreign affairs.
The law which regulates the pro-
...visional form of the new govern-
...ment was proclaimed last night at
...Paris with much solemnity. Al-
...though every thing continues in
...apparent calm, the conspirators
...of the Council of 500 do not con-
...sider themselves as yet defeated. They
...hold meetings. They are preparing
...a pretended protestation; but per-
...haps they rely more upon force of
...salutation than their other means.
But the police is informed

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