

Mississippi, which is the ship channel, up to the city of New-Orleans, it is about one hundred miles; from New-Orleans to Manchac, at the mouth of the Ibberville, which is the northern extremity of the island, it is about one hundred miles more. From thence up the Mississippi to the mouth of the river Rouge, it is about two hundred miles further, and from the mouth of the river Rouge to the first high land it is conjectured cannot be much short of another one hundred miles. Thus you have between four and five hundred miles to ascend rivers to rapid currents, before you can step on the high grounds; or country of Louisiana, fit for an extensive cultivation. This will ever be a great objection to that country, and it is not improbable, that when the first consul of France and his counsellors, came to be acquainted with the difficulty of colonising this country, and its remote situation from the ocean, that he became the more readily disposed to give it up to America.

There is another circumstance attending this fine country, not very generally known, which is, that the whole of the lands on the west side of the Mississippi, except a slip of one plantation deep opposite part of the island of New-Orleans, and the settlement at Point Coupee, is a low sunken country, almost as far up as the Ohio; great part of it is covered for near four months in the year, with water from twenty to thirty feet deep, and extending near thirty miles back from the edge of the river—while, on the contrary, on the east side, except here and there a few low places, is a high hold country. It is across those low grounds on the west side, principally, that the vast quantity of surplus waters, which flow into the Mississippi above, are discharged; the channel of that river alone, which is upon an average not more than three-fourths of a mile wide, could not vent the fifth part of those surplus waters, if it was not conveyed over these low grounds through ten thousand channels, towards Lake Barataria and other lakes on the North-Coast of the Gulf of Mexico and St. Bernard's Bay, and others towards the confines of Mexico, which makes all the country to the west and south of the Mississippi, a low uninhabitable country for many hundred miles up, and what is worse, the labor of man cannot prevent it.

It appears therefore, that the river Mississippi is admirably calculated to form a barrier or boundary of the American empire;—and the immense tract of country newly acquired, may long remain a waste, which will prevent any other nation from ever approaching the United States in that quarter, and may, by a judicious arrangement with the southern Indians, be allotted to them for hunting grounds, in lieu of the countries they now possess in the heart of the United States. Centuries will pass away before the outlines of the United States will be filled out by a progressive population, and before it can be wise or politic in the American government to permit settlements to be made to the west of the Mississippi.

Before I concluded I have only to add, that both sides of the Mississippi after you enter the river, is a low marshy country, full of small lakes, &c. for about 70 miles up, there the country on both sides begins to rise on the banks of the river, so as to admit of small settlements four or five hundred yards deep, from the margin of the river. When you go up as far as what is called the English turn, nine miles below New-Orleans, the lands are higher, and extend further back from the river, and on both sides are fine sugar plantations under high cultivation.

The lands on the island and on the opposite shore, continue to rise, and to increase in breadth about New-Orleans all the way to the Ibberville. The greatest part of which is covered with sugar and cotton plantations, on the river, but I believe no where exceeds one plantation deep, before you come into low-grounds, which are covered water, when the river is high. When you pass the Ibberville, you see no more plantations on the west side all is low broken land. But on the east it is a high fine country, with settled plantations continually swelling as you advance, all the way from Manchac Batten Rouge, and from Thompson's creek up to the line, it is a charming high country.

Nearly opposite this part of the country, is the French settlement of Point-Coupee, about ten leagues in length, on the west side, which, like the settlements below on the same side, extend only one plantation deep from the bank of the river. All above Point-Coupee, for hundreds of miles on the west margin, is, as already observed, low sunken country.

Up towards the mouths of the Ohio and Missouri, the country is high on both sides of the river Mississippi, and it will be very easy and practicable to go across into Louisiana in these

latitudes, when the government of the United States shall think proper to permit it.

The French Government has published an arrete respecting the privateers.—Among the encouragements held out of those vessels, a reward of 40 francs is offered for each prisoner taken on board a merchant and brought into port, for each prisoner taken on board armed trading vessels 47 francs are given, besides 110 francs for each gun above 12lb. calibre.

On taking enemy's privateers and small vessels belonging to the government, it is proposed to give 160 francs for each gun, from 4 to 12 pounders; 210 for each of those above 12 pounders, and 70 francs for each prisoner brought into port.

For taking ships of the line, frigates, and sloops of war, the following rewards are held out:—210 francs for each gun, from 4 to 12lb. calibre; 360 for each above 12 b. and 60 francs for each prisoner brought into port.

The Spanish ship St. Julien arrived at Cadiz from Vera-Cruz on the 27th of May with 2,800,000 dollars on board for the Royal Treasury.

LONDON June 17.  
BREMEN and HAMBURG TAKEN.  
The Hamburg Mail brings the following article of intelligence:

"Bremen, June 5, (12 o'clock at night.) Yesterday evening a French General entered this city. He immediately ordered the Chief Burgomaster, and desired, that all English property here, under what denomination it might be, should be taken possession of: And that all English sailors at present in this place, as well as all other persons belonging to the English Service, should be put under arrest. As soon as this demand was made, the officer who had come with it, went away to Gen. Morier."

What answer was given to this insult and audacious request, we are not informed; and what number of English persons, or quantity of English property, might be at this time in Bremen, we cannot pretend to calculate. But, be that as it may, this outrage will not be confined to British subjects: some pretext will soon be found to involve the natives themselves in the confiscation.

There is little doubt but the same measure will take place at Hamburg, which city, it was generally thought, would escape the danger that threatened it; but we are sorry to add, that such an expectation must be disappointed, as the French troops took possession of it on Sunday last, the 12th inst.

The accounts from New-York generally agree in stating the existence of contagious yellow fever in that city, but as usual there are some contradictions, some letters asserting there are but one or two cases, others that the alarm had nearly subsided. One fact however, is published in the New-York papers; the death of Mr. Ogden of the yellow fever, otherwise the prints of that city are silent on the subject.

FEMALE VIRTUE.

In a gallery of the library of the Archduke Leopold of Vienna, is placed the statue of a country girl, who immortalized herself by the following action:—One day that she was at work in the country, a soldier, whose desire she was not willing to satisfy, undertook to have, by force, what his persuasions and presents had not enabled him to obtain; but the robust girl seized him by the body, covered him with her cloak and carried him, in this manner, before a magistrate, to whose authority she committed him to receive the punishment of his insolence. The strength, the courage, and the virtue of this young woman were also so conspicuous, that it was resolved they should be rendered perpetually so, by raising a statue to her memory.

WILMINGTON,  
TUESDAY, August 30, 1803.

Nathaniel Macon, Esq. is elected Member of Congress for the Warren district, without opposition.

New-York, Aug. 11.

The committee of health report the following as the number of deaths and of new cases of the prevailing fever, reported to them since the Mayor's report:—

August 8, 3 deaths, 16 new cases  
6, 4 deaths, 16 new cases  
10, 1 death, 15 new cases

Seventeen of the above number, being seamen, were sent to the marine hospital.

By order of the health committee.

GEO. A. VALENTINE, Secy.  
August 10, 1803.

WILMINGTON PRICES CURRENT.  
August 30, 1803.

	FROM	TO
	Ds. Cts.	Ds. Cts.
BACON per cwt.	8	1
Butter per lb.	14	16
Cotton per lb.	15	
Coffee per lb.	25	28
Corn per bushel	7	8
Meal, do.	1	
Flour per barrel	5	5
Lumber per M.	12	5 14
W. o. bl. do. drest	23	
R. o. do. do.	12	5
W. o. bl. do. rough	1	12
Shingles per 1000.	3	2 50
Molasses per gallon	4	45
Pork per barrel	12	14
Rice per cwt.	4	7 5
Rum, W. I. pr. gal. 3d.	75	85
Jamaica, do. 4th. do.	1	5
N. E. do.	none.	
Tobacco per cwt.	4	75 5
Tar per barrel.	1	75 2
Turpentine do.	3	67 1-2
Sugar, Muscova. p. cwt.	8	12

To the Electors of the Division comprising the counties of Bladen, Brunswick, Duplin, New-Hans., Orange, Johnston and Onslow.

ACCEPT, Fellow-Citizens, my sincere thanks for the late testimony of your esteem in electing me your representative in the Congress of the United States.—These testimonials of your friendship will inspire me with a laudable zeal, as far as my humble talents admit, to promote your happiness, protect your rights, and preserve inviolate to our country, Independence, Peace and Neutrality. At this eventful epoch of our political relations, we should pass over those trifling feuds, dissensions and jealousies that in some degree disturb our tranquility; and substitute in lieu thereof, that virtuous magnanimity which should emulate every true American—resolving under the Great Giver of all good, that in all places and stations in which our country requires our services, we will to the utmost of our abilities perform the part assigned us, against all invasions of power, diminutions of prerogative and intrigue of nations.

And permit me to assure you, my fellow-citizens, that as I never have, I never will attach myself to party or faction, to the injury of the common weal. The fashionable distinctions of party I mean to bury in the character of your faithful Representative. The preservation of our constitution, the prosperity, peace, liberty and happiness of the Union collectively, shall be my primary objects.

With the highest respect,  
I have the honor to be,  
Your most obedient servant,  
JAMES GILLESPIE.

Wilmington, Aug. 23, 1803.

THE Copartnership of Howard and Tillineast, was dissolved by the death of Caleb D. Howard, on the 6th instant—all persons having demands against said firm, will please to exhibit them, on or before the 15th inst. to make payment to  
Wm. TILLINGHAST, surviving partner.  
Wilmington, August 23.

TO BE SOLD.

By the Sheriff of Brunswick county, in Smithville, on the 24 Monday in Oct. next, I sell, otherwise the next fair day, the following property of J. B. Ganache, to satisfy the claims of sundry persons, to wit,

A LEASE, for about ninety-four ft. A year, of the divided half of a Wharf, Lot and House, on the beach at Smithville, near the Fort, convenient for a Warehouse, and for landing Lumber.

2d. That well improved lot in Smithville, whereon the said Ganache lives, to be divided on sale, into three parts, each part of ground to be 66 feet square, and on each stands a dwelling house, with kitchen, rooms, &c.

3d. A plantation and one thousand and twenty five acres of land on Lockwood's Ferry river, suitable for the culture of Rice and Cotton, whereon is a mill fed with a sufficient stream of water. The land abounds with pine timber of the best quality—the situation is healthy, and the range for stock very good.

August 23.

FOR SALE.

1040 Acres of well timber'd LAND  
ON Ashe's Creek, known by the name of Bear-Garden, on which there is a good mill seat sufficient for two saws, on a falling stream. A part of said land is well adapted to the culture of corn and cotton, and the range is excellent.

The terms of payment will be made easy to the purchaser.

I will also rent the upper apartments of my House, Kitchen, &c. in Market-street, until the first of January next. For terms apply to  
May 19. D. Mallett.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.  
DESERTED from this rendezvous, a soldier by the name of JESSEY TMAN, born in the state of North-Carolina, Edgecomb county, six feet one inch high, dark complexion, grey eyes, dark hair—he had on when he went away citizen's clothing. I do expect that he has gone down to Wilmington, in order to get on board of some vessel. All masters of vessels are requested not to ship him, or take him on board as a passenger, on any pretence whatever, as he has received the bounty agreeable to law. Any person apprehending the said deserter and will deliver him up to me shall receive 15 Dollars; & the deliverer of said deserter to any other officer in the service of the United States, will receive the above reward of Ten Dollars.

J. PERGUS, Lieut.  
Commanding Recruiting Rendezvous.  
Fayetteville, August 13, 1803.

PROPOSALS

For publishing by subscription, The SHERIFF'S, MARSHAL'S and CONSTABLE'S GUIDE, Containing practical directions to those Officers on every subject connected with the duties of their office—with an Appendix of Precedents.—

By the Hon. J. L. TAYLOR, Esq. THIS work is carefully compiled from the best authorities, and adapted, by a digest of the several Acts of Assembly and of Congress upon all the subjects it contains, to the use of the Citizens of this State. It has been the aim of the Compiler to select from the mass of matter with which it is intermingled, the useful learning relative to Sheriffs and Constables; and by a distinct arrangement of the several titles, to furnish professional men with an easy reference to more copious sources of information, and the persons for whose use the work is immediately designed, with plain and intelligible instructions.

Under the important title of ARREST, the duty of Sheriff, Constables, & private persons in the apprehension of offenders, will be described, and the degree of protection afforded them by the Law accurately stated.—Connected with this subject is the Law of Homicide, when committed by an officer of justice, or when the person killed is an officer of justice, respecting which an attempt will be made to abridge and methodize leading cases. Some other subjects treated of will be Bill, Execution, Gaol, and Prisoners, Estoppel, Juries, Sheriffs and Marshal's accounts, &c.

The work will be comprised in 400 pages, octavo, printed on a neat type and good paper.

It will be delivered to subscribers, gratuitously bound, at Four Dollars each.

It will be put to press as soon as a sufficient number of subscribers is obtained to defray the expense, and issued in 2 months thereafter.

Subscriptions will be received by the Editor of the Wilmington Gazette, and by several gentlemen in different parts of the State, whose names and places of abode he will hereafter make known.

Wilmington, August 9.

NOTICE.

THE Copartnership of Christopher Dudley and Robert Dorsey, under the firm of Dudley & Dorsey, expired this day (by its own limitation and mutual consent). All those who have demands against said firm are requested to exhibit them to Mr. Christopher Dudley, who is fully authorized to settle the same—and those who are indebted to said firm are requested to come forward & settle their accounts, as soon as possible. Those who do not come forward in one month from this date, may calculate on their notes, accounts, &c. being placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

CHRISTOPHER DUDLEY,  
ROBERT DORSEY.  
Wilmington, August 1.

TO LET.

And may be entered on immediately, A CONVENIENT Dwelling House at Smithville, containing a large Hall, Parlour, (which might be used for a Store) four Chambers, front and back Piazces—of said rooms four are lathed, plastered and glazed—the others tight and comfortable.

ALSO,  
A Store 26 by 24, well furnished and well situated for trade of any in the town, being near the Market-House and on the River. For terms apply to the Printer  
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FOR SALE.  
The Schooner DEBORAH, Burthen levelty tons, or thereabouts. She has been lately repaired, and is well found and in complete order for sea. For terms apply to STEPHEN ANTHONY.  
August 9—11.

WANTED TO CHARTER for the West-Indies One or 2 vessels from 120 to 240 tons. Apply to FRANCIS FONTAINE.  
Wilmington, April 14.

Valuable family Medicines.

DOCTOR RAWSON'S

Genuine Anti-Bilious and Stomachic BITTERS.

Prepared by Thomas H. Rawson, M. D. C. M. S. New-Orleans, Con. For which discovery he obtained a Patent from the President of the United States, in July, 1802.

THE vast demand for these Bitters, and their efficacy are so universally known and acknowledged, that little need be said in an advertisement. Perhaps no Medicine in the world is so useful and proper for a domestic family Medicine. They are the greatest restorative and correcter of the digestive organs, and purifier of the blood, of any medicine ever offered the public.

The following are some of the most prominent complaints in which these Bitters are efficacious, and so universally admired, viz.—Indigestion, Debility, Head-achs, Swoonings, Dizziness, Faintings, Tremblings, Losses of Spirit, Palpitations, Drowsiness, Bilious Congestions, Coliciveness, Diarrhoeas, Dysenteries, Gravel, Hysteric and Hypocondriacal Affections, Worms, Agues, &c. &c. Price Fifty Cents a Box.

Lee's Genuine Windham Bilious Pills.

Prepared by Samuel Lee, Jun. of Windham, (Conn.) for which discovery he obtained a Patent, April 30th, 1803.

The virtues and efficacy of these Pills are so universally known that any comment on them would be altogether superfluous. Price Fifty Cents a Box.

Tyce's Itoh, or Beautifying Ointment.

The most remarkable composition ever before known for cleansing and beautifying the skin, and in the most effectual, safe and easy application ever before discovered for the cure of the Itch.

Price Fifty Cents a Box.

Genuine Aromatic Paste.

For the teeth and servey in the Gums, prepared genuine only, by J. Thompson New-Orleans, (Conn.) This Paste is the most remarkable composition ever before discovered for preserving and whitening the Teeth, and curing the servey in the Gums, it is a perfectly safe application, it takes off all disagreeable matter from the breath, which generally arises from scorbutic Gum or bad Teeth.

Price Fifty Cents a Box.

For sale constantly in Wilmington, by  
GERR & AVERY.  
N. B. More particular directions accompany each of these valuable Medicines.  
Wilmington, July 16—1803.

Valuable Lands for sale.

FIVE Hundred acres of excellent Tide Swamp, and about thirty acres good upland—40 acres of the former cleared, under bank and ditch and in order for planting—the latter under good fence, and on it is a Barn about 36 by 56 feet.

The above deserted Lands are eligible situated on the north-east branch of Cape-Fear river, only 15 miles from Wilmington.

For terms apply to John Lord, Esq. or to A. Hall. July 19.

FOR SALE.

A Tract or Parcel of Land

Containing 695 acres

ON the head of Bear and Inlet Creek, adjoining Mrs. Moss's land and running across the main road about seven miles from Wilmington, sixty or seventy acres of which is good corn land, and on which there is an excellent mill-stream. The situation is eligible for a public house, and the range is superior to any on the sound. For one half the amount prompt payment will be required, and a credit of twelve months will be given for the other half, the purchase money to be paid and security. For further particulars apply to A. Hall in Wilmington, or to the subscriber on Ruckey Point.

Robert Howe.

May 16.