

POLITICAL

FROM THE EDITOR'S PARLOR.

LETTERS FROM SAMUEL DEXTER.

To the Editors of the Standard.

The delicate position established by usage in our country, for that a man, standing as a candidate for office, should address the electors...

Hopeless indeed would be an effort to acquire influence by pursuing a course of ostentatious leadership of both the parties that convulse the nation...

The objections against the restrictive system, which have governed his decision on it, shall be briefly stated without stopping to offer arguments to prove them...

If these objections be well founded, none will deny that they are sufficient. The proof of them would be too elaborate for the present occasion...

On the other hand, when the government were "kicked into a war," the writer did not feel himself at liberty to practise indiscriminate opposition...

On such occasions, regret for the refractory principle in our nature, which scatters through nations the misery, crimes, and desolation of war...

In Massachusetts, during the revolutionary war, an overwhelming majority silenced opposition and prevented mutual havoc...

If the question be asked, what is to be done when we conscientiously believe that a ruinous course of measures is pursued by our national rulers...

Washington, Feb. 14, 1814. SAMUEL DEXTER.

Latest from France.—Arrived yesterday, by Criterion, Wetman, master, 40 days from La Teste...

Current news when the Emperor left France: Duke of Angoulême arrived in Holland with 40,000 men...

Gen. Sebastiani and his troops are in the environs of Cologne. The combined forces of the North crossed the Rhine in three different positions with 200,000 men...

The King of Spain (Ferdinand) was preparing to leave Paris to reassume his authority in Spain. A peace appears very certain between France and Spain...

Augsbury, December 28. The insurrection in the Bavarian Tyrol gives alarm to our court. Troops have been marched into this country to enforce respect to the authority of the public functionaries...

Bayonne, January 6. On the 1st inst. the enemy having undertaken to construct a battery on a small island, in order to attempt the passage of the Adour...

Paris, Jan. 31. After having themselves fixed the basis of peace and after they had been accepted by the Emperor, the allied powers have refused to sign them...

The American privateer, the Commodore, Capt. Cassin, has returned to New York, in which she has captured the British vessel, the Commodore...

From England, by way of Charleston, S. C. From the Alabama Gazette Extra, Feb. 4. By the schooner North Gray, capt. Grant, from Greenock, last from Portsmouth, in 34 days...

London, Dec. 30. Despatches from Lord Wellington. TOTAL DEFEAT OF THE FRENCH. At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Major Hill, Aid-de-camp to Lieut. Gen. Rowland Hill, passed through this city with the official dispatches...

The following account has been received from Plymouth. The Gleamer, Lieut. Knight, arrived this morning with Major Hill, bringing dispatches containing the account of the late glorious series of victories obtained over the French army...

DOWNFALL OF THE DUTCH REPUBLIC. At the moment, when every free tongue in Europe was re-echoing the cry of Orange Boy!

House of Commons.—Sir James Mackintosh having observed in the London Gazette a new designation given to his Majesty's Ambassador at the Hague, and a new sovereignty announced in the United Provinces...

