

BOSTON, December 23.

Extract of a letter Nantucket, December 16.
 They will inform you, that last night the ship Alliance, capt. Peale, arrived here from Woolwich Bay, last from St. Helena, which he left September 28, in company with five other white ships, for this port. Capt. Peale informs that a Dutch fleet of two 74 two frigates, and a sloop of war, were at Saldanna bay, and that the English fleet laying at the Cape of Good Hope, got information, and immediately proceeded against them, and captured the whole squadron without difficulty. Capt. P. also informs, that Mr. Leach, a merchant of St. Helena, told him, a ship belonging to Bolton (her name and the captain's he had forgotten, but certainly neither Si-gourney nor Doble) from India, with a freight for Europe, had been cast away to the northward and eastward of the Cape of Good Hope, vessel and cargo lost; the people were roughly treated by the natives, but no lives lost; the crew had taken passage in the fleet for Europe. Capt. P. on his passage, lat. 22, long. 58, spoke brig Ann, from Surinam for Bolton, had lost her foretopmast. Also, spoke brig Ann, Coffin, from Hispaniola for Philadelphia.

S A L E M, December 20.

A gentleman of this town has received a letter from his friend at Liverpool, Nova-Scotia, wherein is mentioned the arrival at Halifax of a packet from England—which brings an account of the differences with Spain being accommodated, and a happy prospect of the negotiation with France being favourably terminated. The letter is dated the 22d ult. The passage of the packet is not mentioned.

The above letter mentions, that a division of Richery's fleet destroyed property on the Labrador shore to the amount of 25,000 l. sterling, belonging to one house, and burnt a 20 gun ship, loaded entirely with fish. The destruction on the whole coast by the French fleet under Admiral Richery, has been very great, and must be severely felt by the lower class of citizens—the property destroyed consisting of fish, provisions and articles of the first necessity.

NEW-YORK, December 29.

Capt. Black, on the 27th of October, being about 30 leagues from Brest, fell in with a fleet of British men of war, 18 in number, who seemed unwilling to speak him—and next day, lat. 46, was boarded by the French frigate Felicity, one of Admiral Richery's squadron of three 74 gun ships one 80, and three frigates, bound from Newfoundland to France. Captain Black informed them that he had just left the British fleet; from which circumstance we conclude that he did not jump into the lion's mouth, but altered his course to avoid them.

Dec. 30. A gentleman who came passenger in the Hunter, Montague, from Bristol and Brest, October 26, lays about 15 sail of the line lay in Brest waters, nearly ready for sea; that several vessels were repairing—and that there were about 26 armed vessels, besides a number of privateers which were fitting.

The Hunter was boarded three days out of Bristol by the French privateer ship Buonaparte of 16 guns, captain Raymond, who treated them politely, except putting on board them 16 prisoners against the will of captain M. Having the prisoners on board, captain M. steered for Brest, where he debarked them, and represented the facts to the admiral, who highly disapproved of the conduct of capt. R. who had no orders to distress the Americans. The Buonaparte had been out three days, and had taken three prizes, one of which was the Duke of Clarence, West-India man, valued at 25,000 l. sterling, the other two were deltroye.

Jamaica accounts were received by the barque Neptune, to the 3d Dec. These accounts state, that the Indian Queen, English East-Indiaman, had been carried into Cayenne. That the Cerf Volant, a French brig, had been sent into Port Royal, having dispatches from Rigaud to the Executive Directory on board. That accounts had been received of their being 12 ships of the line at Havannah; also that, Admiral Pringle, without firing a gun, had taken the Dutch fleet, bound to the East Indies, and carried them into the Cape of Good Hope, consisting of 3 sail of the line, one 50, 2 frigates and a sloop of war! That a Spanish vessel, said to have 20,000 dollars on board, had been carried into Morant bay. That Gen. Abercrombie was daily expected at St. Domingo, with 4200 men. That the ship Hope, Hunter, from Greenock, was wrecked near Plumb island. That a brig half full of water and deserted, was seen at the northward of Caymanes, with "The Sally of New-York," written on her stern. That orders had been received from St. James, for the taking and detention of all Spanish vessels. That, (via Malaga and Port Royal, a roundabout story) all British vessels in Spanish ports had been liberated! That Count de Bruges had penetrated the republican territory to within 11 mile of Cape Francois! That 5 Spanish prizes had been sold at Martinique, and the money lodged in the Custom house.

TRENTON, December 20.

The American citizens have often been astonished at the surprising equestrian abilities of the celebrated RICKETTS. We think the following account of his pedestrian performance, equals, if not surpasses any of his feats of horsemanship. On Saturday last he ran, on foot, from Princeton to Shabakunk bridge

(two miles and a half from this city) in 52 minutes, which is nine miles and a half, and at the rate of a mile every five minutes and a half.—Mr. Ricketts, some months since, went as great a distance in nearly as short a time, which by some was thought incredible—to satisfy and convince such, he undertook the task again on Saturday, in company with the New York public stage, from New-York to Philadelphia—the passengers in which testify to the truth of this performance.

PHILADELPHIA, December 24.

The Legislature of Pennsylvania, much to their honour be it said, have passed an act appropriating 15,000 dollars for the relief of the sufferers by the fire at Savannah.

A vessel has been recently seized upon, we are informed, in our river, upon an information laid, that she had contrary to law been employed in seizing and selling as slaves natives of the coast of Africa. The vessel is said to belong to New-York, made a voyage to Africa, and sold a cargo of these unhappy beings at St. Croix; and arrived at this port a short time ago. It is also said, that two of these unhappy negroes, who had not been sold, were found on board, and 200 pair of iron fetters also!

Genuine extract of a letter from a very respectable gentleman in a country town in New-England.

"Is there no way to stop the impertinence and insolence of French ministers?"

"The people in this quarter are universally filled with indignation, and lament that there is a Frenchman to be seen in the United States."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Annapolis, to his friend in this city, dated Dec. 27.

"Last evening commodore Barney, and a French general from St. Domingo, arrived in this city. The commodore's fleet is at Norfolk. The General is on his way to New-York, to go to France in a corvette, to sail from that place as soon as it shall be officially declared who is the President of the United States. Barney says, should Adams be elected President, we shall certainly be engaged in a war with France in less than three months: and he knows not how we could have avoided that misfortune, but by electing Mr. Jefferson our President, who stands much higher with the French nation than any other man in our country. He says he has positive instructions to take all American vessels going to or coming from British ports, but the vessels and cargoes are not to be disposed of till further orders."

BALTIMORE, December 28.

Yesterday arrived in town, we are happy to say in perfect health, commodore BARNEY, who left Cape Francois on the 2d inst. in the Medusa, accompanied by another frigate; both of which he left at Norfolk, and took passage with captain Gould up to Annapolis. We learn from him that the troubles which some time since broke out at the Cape, and in the southern department of the island, have subsided, and that order is again established. The remainder of the political news from the Cape, is rather of a disagreeable nature; namely, that in consequence of the reprisal orders (if so they may be termed, from the executive directory, eight or ten privateers were fitting out there, to take every American bound to or from an enemy's port, or having British property on board; and that the American vessels carried into the Cape, have seals put on their hatches, and are not suffered to depart until decrees of acquittal or condemnation are received from France; during which time their cargoes are spoiled, and their bottoms gnawed by the worms into honey-combs. Six or eight British ships of war were cruising off Cape Francois when commodore Barney left it, but having found means to elude their vigilance, he arrived at Cape Henry on the 19th inst. lately.

ALEXANDRIA, Dec. 29.

Extract of a letter from a mercantile house in Georgetown, dated Dec. 24.

"An affair has taken place here that has caused much confusion among the tobacco holders. Two men, who were suspected of having stolen tobacco out of the warehouses, two nights ago broke into every warehouse in town, and gathered all the inspectors books and papers, and burnt them every one. They are sent to jail in irons, and will be tried at the next court; but the trouble it will cost is inconceivable."

PETERSBURG, Jan. 10.

Last Wednesday night, an attempt was made by some daring villains to get into the Treasury Office of this state.—They made their way good thro' the outer door, by cutting two holes near the upper and lower bolts, large enough to admit one of their hands—by which means they got out the two large bolts. After getting into the passage, they drove a large wedge between the folding outward door of the Treasury, considerably above the lock, and forced it wide enough to get a crow bar in. Being alarmed, (as they conjectured) they desisted, and left the implements standing in the doors as above described till next morning.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman of respectability in Paris, to his friend in New-York, dated 9th Thermidor, 4th year.

"The likeness of general Buonaparte being just come out, I send you two copies; one for yourself, the other for my friend R. I am sure it will please

you so much the more, as a singular discovery has lately been made respecting the place of his origin.—He happens to be a countryman of yours, and even one of your friends, instead of being a Corsican, as first reported. Buonaparte is an assumed name; his family name is Shaler, from Middletown in Connecticut. You will no doubt, be able to judge of the truth directly; and not fail to ascertain the fact. In case the people of America may have any doubts about it. I expect they will rejoice at an event which has afforded pleasure, and procures me the advantage of receiving from him at this very moment every mark of friendship, in consequence of our former acquaintance in America.

"Salute and Fraternity, "C—"

FAYETTEVILLE, JAN. 14.

The House of Representatives of the United States have it in contemplation to grant a sum of money for the relief of the unfortunate sufferers by fire in the town of Savannah.

The mercury in Fahrenheit's thermometer, on Monday morning last, in this town, stood at 4 above 0.

DIED, at Presque' Isle, Anthony Wayne, commander in chief of the American army.

We understand that the votes for President and Vice-President in Kentucky and Tennessee, have been for Jefferson and Burr. It appears that the votes in New-Hampshire were for Adams and Ellsworth, and not for Adams and Pinckney, as has before been stated. The numbers therefore between Jefferson, Adams and Pinckney, stand as follows:

	Jefferson	Adams	Pinckney
Tennessee,	3	0	0
Kentucky,	4	0	0
Georgia,	4	0	0
South Carolina,	8	0	8
North Carolina,	11	1	1
Virginia,	20	1	1
Maryland,	4	7	4
Delaware,	0	3	3
Pennsylvania,	14	1	2
New Jersey,	0	7	7
New York,	0	12	12
Connecticut,	0	9	4
Vermont,	0	4	4
Rhode-Island,	0	4	4
Massachusetts,	0	10	13
New-Hampshire,	0	6	0
	68	71	59

Fayetteville Prices Current.

	dol. c.		dol. c.
Tobacco, per cwt.	5 60	Femp, per cwt.	6
Flour, per barrel,	8 15	Jamaica Rum, 4th	2 0
Corn, per bushel,	60	proof, per gal.	2 0
Peale, do.	70	W India do. 2d do.	1 60
Wheat,	1 40	Northward do.	1 20
Butter, per lb.	14	Country brandy,	1 25
Lard none,		Molasses,	5
Bacon none,		Brown Sugar, f #lb.	20
Fallow, do.	10	loaf do. do.	40
Bees wax, do.	25	Coffee, do.	40
Deer skins, do.	20	Iron, do.	7
Cotton, in seed none.		Salt, per bushel,	1
Flax Seed,	2	Pork	13 75
Reef,	7 75	Green, do.	5 75

FOR SALE, A FRESH ASSORTMENT OF GARDEN SEEDS.

APPLY TO R. & J. DONALDSON, & Company.

CAME to my house, about the latter end of 1st November, negro Dick, the property of George Skinner, living near Charleston. The owner on paying charges, may take him away.

WILLIAM VANN.

Fayetteville, Jan. 14. List of letters remaining in the Post-Office, Fayetteville, December 31st, 1796.

GEORGE Barge, 2; John Briggs, Asa Behee, James Beggs, Alex. Campbell, Archibald Cook, William Cook, Farq. Campbell, Esq. Chas. Carrol, Charles Carraway, Charles Campbell, Samuel Campbell, Bedreaddon Carraway, Lochlin Currie, Findlay Campbell, John Dickson, George Duffe, John Graham, Neil Galbrath, James Gee, Samuel House, John Johnston, William Jackson, James Lahan, James Little, Donald M'Fatter, Murdoch M'Innish, Robinson Mamford, Dugald M'Dugald, John M'Lean, Archibald M'Lean, Angus M'Donald, Murdoch M'Rea, John M'Dowell, Duncan M'Innes, Neil M'Leod, John M'Kay, Malcolm M'Lerran, John M'Allester, Andrew Murphy, Duncan M'Callum, Norman M'Leod, Fred Miller, William Norris, George Ogg, Esq. 2; Eliza Peirson, Rachel Purdon, John Phares, sen. John Roberts, Rev. John Robinson, John Regan, James Robertson, Mark Russel, John Smylie, Donald Stewart, James Sproul, Jacob Smylie, Robert Johnston Steele, Samuel Taylor, 2; Geo. Thomson, William Trapall, Henry Urquhart, Capt. John Walth, Cornelius Wingate, 2; Tabby Wilks, Robert Williamson, John Murphy Wheelwright, John Wilton.

JOHN SIBLEY, Post Master