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correspondence to which it gave rise, before the public; Mr. Mavo, the gentleman we alluded to, having yielded to the request for its cessary that we should say a word. We invoke the emphatic attention of the Public-of the Country Merchants more particularly.

RICHMOND, Jan. 18th, 1836.

Joseph Mayo, Esq.

Dear Sir: We understand that you have received proposols to become the Agent here, of persons abroad to make report to them of the standing, habits, character, &c. of the Merchants in this City, and hereabouts-You will at once perceive, sir, that the whole community are deeply interested in such an undertaking; and not doubting the correctness of your course on the subject, we deem it our right to know, and we believe, upon reflection, you will think it your duty to inform us, if such a commission has been tendered you, and what course you have pursued in relation to it. We disclaim all right to enquire into your private affairs-this matter, however, affects us as a community, and therefore we make this call upon you.

With great respect, we are Your ob't servt's,

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January 19th, 1836.

vesterday. In reply to it, I have to say, that he is a subscriber to our plan, and agrees to proposition and voluntarily take upon myself the doties I received on the 1st inst. a circular from New York, accompanied by a letter proposing the Any subscriber has a right to inquire at our low citizens, is inconsistant with my notions of probiacceptance of such an agency as the business office for the standing of every merehant with ty and good demeanor. I should thereby falsity a indicated in that circular requires. With, I whom he has, or contemplates having business record made in my own behalf, nor could I indeed, whom he has, or contemplates having business record made in my own behalf, nor could be a second made in my own behalf and my o trust, a proper regard of what is due to confi- transactions. We never volunteer any infor- after such an act of turpitude confide in my honesty. dential communications, I do not think I ought mation, and the merchant here is pledged to The very peliminary requisitions made of me to furto withhold the information asked, when call- regard all communications made by us, as the New York marchants is a deal more needed. od for by so many of my most worthy fellow strictly confidential. We shall have our cards From whom and for what purpose are these recom-citizens. As to the character and extent of and circulars, explaining our plan collecting mendations to be furnished? From my neighbors, to the agency proposed, I have nothing to say, and securing debts in the country, in the hands but to refer you to the circular itself. In of every house in this city, and shall also emreference to my opinion of the matter, and the brace every opportunity of becoming personalcourse I have pursued in relation to it, you are ly acquainted with the merchants here. We referred to my answer, a copy of which I retained and now send you, along with the circu- you business, advice gratis, and in that way, lar, and which you will perceive was ad tressed by doing what you would do, extend the numto Peter Mayo, Esq., Councellor, &c. Richber of your clients. Whenever any of our my capacity and fitness for your purpose, yet to samond, Va. To enable you to understand my subscribers wish to travel in the country, they tisfy you and all others on the score of business, who to Peter Mayo, Esq., Councellor, &c. Rich- ber of your clients. Whenever any of our answer, it is necessary to remark, that I saw will be furnished with letters of introduction I am, and how far I may be relied on, in matters re on the morning of the 1st inst., a letter thus to all our correspondents, so that you may addressed, advertised in the papers of this city thus become personally acquainted. This will as remaining in the post office here uncalled be for the interest and satisfaction of both. As tended. I therefore addressed the authors of it, sity of advancing for all our correspondents, stating the circumstances under which it had reached my hands, and desired them to say count with all your clients. When money is ment I answered it.

As the subject of this circular takes from it, here. The draft will be immediately handed in my opinion, the respect due to confidential over, and a receipt taken by us, and you apcommunications, you are at liberty to use this prized of the receipt and payment. correspondence as you please. Very respectfully, gentlemen,

Yr. ob't serv't. JOSEPH MAYO.

P. S. You will see by the note attrached to the circular, that the scheme is to " extend to mation will in all cases be procured for your all parts of the Union."

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NEW YORK, Dec. 14, 1835.

PRIER MAYO, Esq. Dear Sir: Above, you find a specimen return of a first rate, and of a questionable firm. Peter Mayo, Esq. The general statement that a man is "good" or

tained, the extent of his capital. If one of the done, Mr .---, formerly of----, but now of firm has capital, and the other not, state which our State, has furnished us with your name. has the capital. When there is no designation Are you disposed to engage with us, and how we understand that the merchant keeps a gene- large a district of your State can you conral country store; by which we mean, Dry veniently attend to upon our plan? An early it Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Crockery &c. answer is desired. One of our patrons stated, ling on the spot which a few months before was nu The information wanted may be reduced to that a debtor of theirs residing in or near Rich-We this day lay this production, with the answers to the following questions. First—Is mond, offered to pay them some 700 dollars, provided they would authorize some one in habits! Secondly-Was he educated to Richmond to receive it. We stated that we the door of a log building, in front of which Lung a merchandize, and how long has he been enga- understood that our agents in Virginia, usually publication. We have no room for comment, ged therein? Thirdly—What is he worth, charged 5 per cent for collecting money, but at nor has Mr Mayo's admirable reply left it negaged in any other business, and if so, what? a case as this, that they would be satisfied with

failed in business?

the individual merchants or firms. It will be ceive the money, and buy a draft. Yours, &c. a great convenience for our correspondents, to have the Christian names, and it will frequently prevent mistakes here In all cases, insert the names of all the towns in your county, or district, whether merchants reside therein or not, and the names of all the villages, stating the town in which each village is situated .-There will probably be found many merchants who are too small to come here to make their tention. By it I am assured that your extraordinary purchases. Give the names of such merchants, stating the fact, that, in your opinion, they ought not to come to this city to make their purchases. We are aware that it requires considerable labor to make out such a return, but after it is once thoroughly done, it is not a difafter it is once thoroughly done, it is not a difficult matter to keep it corrected. In making out your return, you will find the information to be derived from old, intelligent and wealthy merchants the most valuable. Officers of pionage was fully developed to Mr. F. before he sug banks and sheriffs are also in possession of much correct information.

A copy of your return should be retained by you, and revised semi-annually, and your corrections transmitted to us one month preceding the time when your merchants usually visit our city to make their purchases-If any thing Gav & Co. Jno. B. Southall, Knapp, Preston should occur in the interim, materially altering the condit on of any of your merchants, the men, it should be in my time, I shall abandou the fact should be immediately communicated to

us by letter. Gentlemen: I have received your note of No merchant has acress to our record, unless give us the charge of all country business. of a foreign commission of spy general upon my felgive all our subscribers, and those who send for, and knowing that there was no person by we allow our correspondents their whole fees, the name of Mayo, of my profession, but, my commissions and charges, it will be expected tial, notwithstanding its heading. The concealment to send it to Norfolk, where my brother Peter merchants, made out (particularly the names,) cution of the design. Mayo resides, if on opening it, I should find it in a very legible hand writing, and keep the not intended for me. When opened, however, same corrected, free of any charge to us for I was convinced, from a reference to the note postage, or otherwise. Whenever we transmit which accompanied it, that it had reached its a demand for security, or collection, its recipt proper destination. I at once determined upon should be immediately acknowledged, postage the character of the answer that should be paid .- Upon the receipt of a demand, our corgiven to the proposal, and determined also that respondent will open an account, and charge there should be no room to doubt, after the postages to the demand. In all cases paying answer, for whom the communication was in- postage both ways. This will save the neceswhether it was designed for me. I was assured to be remitted, make all your deductions for by them that it was, and at my first leisure mo- commissions, postage, ac and send to us a draft payable to the order of the owner of the money

> By the terms of our subscription, we engage, without any charge, to write for additional information, at the request of any subscriber, he paying postage, and such reasonable charges as our correspondent shall make. This infercliants, and you must exercise your own descretion about charging. When you travel to get the information, of course you will make charges; but unless there is some special pains taken or labor bestowed, we recommend that no charges be made by you. In all these cases we pay postages both ways.

Promptness in all things is indispensable to the success of such an undertaking as ours. When you reflect upon the extent of our plan,

NEW YORK, Dec. 14th 1835.

Dear Sir -On the other page, you will find "safe," is not satisfactory, unless accompanied a circular of ours, fully explaining a plan adoptwith the reasons on which the statement is ed by us, and which we mean to extend to all made. The merchant here wishes a descrip-tion, or history of the country merchant—his and 100 mercantile houses here who patronize habits, whether temperate or otherwise—the us, and we have every reason to believe, that ability of his friends, whether he was educated we can, by perseverance, in a great measure, to merchandise, and, how long he has been en- control the business from this city, and place

gaged therein, and as nearly as can be ascer- it in the hands of our correspondents to be Fifthly-Is he a man of family, and has he ever what our agents in this State charged, I pr. amid the dying trunks of its aboriginal trees." Prom such a description, the merchant here commission would be satisfactory, we will send can decide upon the extent of credit to be giv- you the claim, about which we suppose that en. In all cases, give the Christian names of you will have no trouble, except merely to re-

Griffin, Cleveland & Campbell, Counsellors at Law, 44 Wall St.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 16th, 1836.

Messrs. Griffin, Cleveland & Campbell, Gentlemen-Your letter of the 4h, was duly eceived, and would have been answerd earlier, but for engagements which demanded my previous atcommunition of the 14th ultimo, addressed to Peter Mayo, Esq, was in fact designed for me, and in the event of my acceptance of the proposition therein submitted, I am requested to furnish you with such evidence of my standing, as will ensure the confidence of the merchants of New York. I shall relieve gested my name to you, (which I cannot believe) regret exceedingly, that he should so entirely have disconceived my character, as to have pointed me out as a fit instrument of its execution in this city and adjacent country. He could have informed confine themselves to professional duties, and that the part of an espion is not within their compass; and I assure you that if in the ever varying affairs of profession as unworthy of the pursuit of a gentleman. Before one can be admitted to the bar in Virginia, it must be certified of record that he is a man of hoensure confidence in my somi-annual reports to you of my treachery to them. In technical language, which mercantile lawyers understand, (though all may not be able to apprecieate the metive) you will pardon the non-acceptance and protest of this draft, for want of funds; and it any damage is sustained I have only to say it is the fault of the drawers. Although I decline furnishing you with evidence of lating to my profession, I refer you to the whole com-

munity in which I live, if indeed you can have confidence in those whom you think it necessary to watch.-Candour requires me to say to you, that I have not regarded your communication as confiden-

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THE forests of North America are now unceasingly coming under the ave of the mackwoodsman; and is no uncommon spectacle to behold a village smiwild heast and the savage.

"Great changes!" I exclaimed, as I alighted at rude sign to arrest the steps of the traveller. "A lew years ago, there was scarcely the trace of a white man to be seen, where I now behold a flourishing town and a numerous colony of inhabitants—a large tract of forest land enclosed, and corn shooting up

"True; civilization has made rapid strides, but the red men, I percieve, have not yet disappeared from among you." (Four or five Indiaus were lying ed close after him. It was but a momentary glanter istretched upon a bank at a short distance from the

had together."

" How so; do you take advantage of their ignorance of the value of their merchandise?"

"Possibly we do; but that is not their chief cause of dissatisfaction. They still prefer their council grove and summary punishment, to our court-house and prison."

"Court-house and prison! Cannot so small a community as this be kept together without the aid of such establishments?"

"I know not; but few communities, however small, are willing to try the experiment. As yet our prison has had but one tenant, and to his fate may be attributed the surly deportment of yonder savages. They belong to the same tribe."

I expressed a curiosity to hear the particulars of his story. My communicative friend led the way you, that the members of the bar, here at least, into the tovern, where, as soon as we were seated, words:-

"Tangoras was the chief of a neighbouring tribe of Indians. He is now advanced in years, but still rapid. The fugitive came rushing down with the retains much of the vigour of youth. Brave, expert ungoverned velocity of a thing manimate. He is the chase, patient of fatigue, and beloved by his reached the green bank of the river, and without

a toothole. The land of his fathers had been wrested prow of a vessel. He glided upon the surface as from him. He defended it bravely until resistance though he had been a creature of the element, and was found to be frustless; and when he became the small waves leaped about his brawny ceck in

as will accord with the conception of another. All Tangoras was close behind him, for he had gained imagine they comprehend its meaning, and all gained considerably upon him in the passage of the differ. From the cradle to the grave we are struggling to grasp it; but, like the delusive vessel formed of mists, it vanishes when considered nearest, and leaves us hepeless and alone in the midst of a turbulent

"When he complained of the injustice done him, they urged that the earth was given to man to cultivate, and that he who refuses to fulfil the condition. loses his title to it. In vain did the old Indian argue from the same authority, that the fowls of the air and self. I took the letter from the office, intending that they will furnish us with the returns of of such a subject would be as treacherous as the exe- the heasts of the field were also given to man's use, and that he therefore preserved his hunfing grounds inviolate; that he cultivated as much as his wants required; and that he who does more, brings a curse rather then a blessing upon his fellows, hy introducing among them luxury and its attendant evils.

"They pleo told him that the Christsan religion confers upon its professors, who are the immediate ous and rugged ground, in hopes that his pur-heirs of heaven, a right to the soil paramount to any human claim. The old chief, as he bowed to this chase; but the hope was vain, for he still fola decision, calmly replied-'While you who profess superior knowledge, are taught to pursue a line of action as perfect ascan come within the comprehenber to commence the publication of anew edition of his sion of human intellect, wherever the cross has ap-entire writings, in a new form, and at a reduced price.— peared, instead of awakening the best feelings of your of peace to all mankind, to us, at least, it has been the signal of war, of exterminating and merciless

"Rut to proceed with my story:

"Tangorus seldom entered the villages of the hites, and refused to make use of our manufactures; He dressed himself in skins instead of the blankets. which his people had adopted; for he said, he would live as his farthers had lived, and die as they had About a year ago, at the head of dozen of his

"As he entered the village, his countenance was stamped with more then usual austerity. I spoke to nim, but he made no reply. He refused to enter our cabins, and turned away from food when it was proffered him. He stretched himself beneath the shade of the cypress tree at the big spring, while

lower down the river, were in the village at the same and were about to depart as l'angoras and his people appeared. They soon mingled together, and a low gutteral conversation ensued. From the violence of oheir gesticulations, we concluded that the subject better to issue the works of each author, in series, at a stated price, than to publish a continuous work at so much per annum; for by this arrangement they may subscribe to the works of one author and reject suchter. Not being obliged to pay for that which they do not want.

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going forward.

"The sound of footsteps awakened his attention; he slowly turned his Herculean frame, and appearing to recognise the young savage, sprung in an Instant building as he leisurely ascended, confident, this

upon his feet. A fierce yell succeeded, which the distant hills re-echoed, and the next instant we be held the stranger flying like the affrighted deer from the famished wolf, towards the mountains. Tangers followed close behind. They crossed the plain with the rapidity of an arrow from a how, and at inthe engle as he enjoyed his circling flight in the up-

"While crossing the plain, the youthful activity of the fugitive Indian enabled him to exceed the speed of his pursuer; but in ascending the opposite ridge, it was evident that he was losing ground sensibly. A shout of triumpa which the evening breeze carried from mountain to mountain, proclaim ed that Tangoras was aware of his advantage. The rest of the savages waiched the chase with intense "Our village thrives," was the laconic remark of a scarcely breathed as they leaned forward with factor tall slender personage, who was lounging against the eyesfixed upon the parties ascending the rugged and sign post of the village inn, around which half a dozen winding path. The young Indian now stood upon idlers were assembled. a bare rock on the brow of the ridge. He paused is a moment to breathe. The motion of his body of not excape as us as he drew a deep inspiration. inn door, backing in the rays of the setting sun.)

"Not yet," was the reply. "They come into the village to sell their poultries; but at present they are not very well satisfied with the intercourse we have bad together."

It was but a momentary glanter, and the young man disappeared on the opposite side of the mountain. Tangoras sprang upon the rock, sun forth a yell, and the next moment was out of sight also. He did not pause to breathe nor did he slacken his pace as he ascended the ridge; he could have kept on from the rising to the setting of the sun without fatigue or without abating his speed, for he united with
the strength of the ragged bear the activity of the deer;
nor did he fear to wrestle with the one without a weapon, or to hunt down the other without a dog to keep aim on the trail.

"They were no sooner out of sight, than the savages in the village started in pursuit of them. As they sprang over the plain, they yelled and leaged like a herd of famished wolves on the scent of their prey. It was indeed a wild sight to behold them rushing along the parrow path over the mountain.

"The fugitive pursued his course down the west-ero declivity with incressed swiftness. It was the race of a manine. He leaped from rock to rock at the hazard of his life, and had gained considerably upon Tanzoras, who followed with his eya fixed upon his victim, and without slackening his speeds At intervals he sent forth the piercing war whoop, he commenced his account in nearly the following and the fearful sound increased the speed of the

"At the base of the mountain was a river deep and people; his voice is a law, for he is looked upon as the sole remaining example of what the tribe was before the whites appeared among them.

"He seems to have held the progress of civilization with the same feeling as the shipwrecked mariner watches the approach of the wave that is mariner watches the approach of the wave that is subject to the laws of the pale faces, he viewed their proceedings as tyrannical, and himself as little better then a slave.

"They told him that his condition would be ameliorated, but they would not suffer him to be happy in his own way; and, unluckily, for the old chief, no one can define happiness in such a manner about ascending the bank on the opposite aide. river. The race was now resumed. The fugitives darted off with renewed vigour, and the old chief followed at a stendy pace across the verdant phrile through which the river pursues its way.

"The Indian once more outstripped his pursuer: but as they entered upon the high lands, his special diminished. The old chief perceived it, and as he kept on his even course, sent forth the war whoos as if in derision. The race continued over ridges and plains and through streams, until they arrived at the toot of next sour of the mountain. As they entered upon the steep ascent, the pursued strained every nerve to keep up his speed, while Taugoras followed

with as much ease in his motions, as if it had been bet a race of amusement. "The fugitive now deviated from the mar-

row path, and entered upon the most daugers lowed with the same fixedness of purpose as at the outset. They soon found themselves in the depth of the wilderness. Bigher and higher they clambered up in silence, assisting their ascent by clinging to stunted shrubs and the jutting pieces of rock. The other savages followed at a distance, yelling like fiends, and were guided by the echoes occasioned by fire fragments of rocks, which yielding to the tread, rolled down the side of the mountain The young Indian had been hunted to desperation, when an ascent almost inaccessible presented itself. He braced every nerve and leaping up, seized hold of the branch of a tree that grew from the declivity. Fortunately it sustained his weight, and he drew himself betride, he descended youder hill by the narsow path which winds over it. His followers were laden with yeltries; but the old chief marched erect, with his the pressure, and as he felt it moving, he threw tomax only in his had, and his henting-knife stuck in himself forward flat upon the earth as the only his guidle, for he scorned to be a pack-horse for the means of preservation. The stone rolled from under him down the mountain, and a fearful vell was mingled with the crashing that it made in its passage. He turned and beheld Tangaros prostrate on the ground. A second look disclosed that he was bleeding. A laugh of joy and derision burst from the lips of the his followers proceeded to dispose of their merchan- fugitive, who was still stretched upon the earth but his triumph was of short duration. Tan-"It so happened that four or five Indians belonging goras soon sprang upon his feet again; his to a tribe inhabiting a tract of country somewhat rage augmented by the smarting of his wounds, and leaping up with the elasticity of the pantime. They nad made their sales and purchases, ther, he readily achieved the ascent which had nearly exhausted the remaining strength of