

Bell's London Weekly Messenger, OF August 9,

with a copy of which, and a London Courier of Aug. 14 (from which several extracts are given) the Editor of the Register has been favoured, by a friend just arrived from London.

This piece, which is entitled "Perplexities of the First Consul," shews what sentiments the British Government has with respect to its subjects with respect to the threatened invasion.

THE reconciliation of this country with the Northern Powers, joined to the continuance of our naval triumphs, has given the finishing blow to the Cabinet of the Thuilleries. All the hostile machinations of Buonaparte are now defeated, his best hopes disappointed, and his resources, as appears from the late mutiny at Turin, nearly exhausted. There cannot be a more striking proof of the derangement that prevails in the Confular measures than the mimic apparatus on the coast of France. Menaces, in general, are a weapon placed in the hands of those against whom they are directed; a political truth, which seems to have escaped the sagacity of the Chief Consul. No subject can certainly look on the insidious intention of our foes with indifference; but at the same time, far from feeling any symptom of alarm, every true British heart must swell with joy on the occasion, it being a palpable proof that France is reduced in means, indigent in devices, and literally at her last shift. The idea of invading this country with impunity, in the existing circumstances, cannot appear less ridiculous to the French people than it is to ourselves. Though the scheme of crossing the water in air balloons may well suit the genius of a volatile nation, we would not advise the Chief Consul to ground the hopes of his success on such an aerial basis. It would be much better to borrow the ring of Gyges, that rendered objects invisible; or to find out the plant called Elythropa, which is supposed to have the same effect; the invaders would then be sure to come to London without impediment. Or let the French Government provide ten thousand whales, the French grenadiers may lie snug in their guts concealed, along with the gun-boats and all the whole train of artillery. There is another plan, perhaps not quite so romantic as the others: it is, to make the French army walk at the bottom of the sea, by means of the secret of Drebellius, which enabled men to breathe under water. Of this argument it is said that Charles the Second was in possession; but it died with that Monarch, and unless the First Consul can raise Charles from the dead, or in some manner or other recover the famous secret of the German philosopher, he must drive from his mind every thought of invading Great-Britain.

We are not to know that France, by the bombastic parade of her preparations, means only to keep us in a state of alarm, and swell the national expenditure: but even in this particular she will find herself the dupe of her own artifice. The incomparable gallantry of the Hero of the Nile, has already given her an important lesson at Boulogne, by the destruction of the gun-boats and shipping. Nor can the triumph of our resentment end in that place. While this island is defended by her brave sailors, we may boast of a palladium superior to that of Greece and Rome; and we take here an opportunity of suggesting an expedient, which we shall leave to the consideration of the reader: We propose to encircle the island with a certain number of small towers, every one of which shall contain a gun, to be fired occasionally for the purpose of transmitting intelligence. It is worth remarking, that a single gun, by repeated explosions, may communicate distinct words, lines and pages, without any variety at all in the report or sound. The process by which this desideratum may be obtained is not abstruse, and may be carried into execution without the least difficulty; so that, according to this plan, Government, in a few minutes, will have an opportunity of receiving distinct intelligence, of any length, from the most distant part of the island, in any season and at all times. It is needless to observe, that the telegraphs now in use are insufficient, being of no

service at night, besides the numerous variations in the atmosphere, which render it a precarious and equivocal engine. The Chinese have from time immemorial been in the practice of transmitting intelligence by signals to any part of their vast empire, for the service of their Government; but their method has no refinement; their signals do not express different words, nor can they form any regular discourse; while the gun which we propose will be fit to communicate the contents of a letter without missing one single word, and even with the punctuation, notwithstanding that, as we observed before, the sound shall always be the same. We have another measure to suggest, which is, to mine several places on the shore where it is probable that the enemy may attempt a landing. This might be adopted in Ireland, as well as in England, and at a very moderate expence. The shore being thus mined in several secret directions, it would terrify a Frenchman even more than our great guns, and we should never hear any more of invasion. Our idea is totally unconnected with the quondam fortifications of his Grace of Richmond. It implies a simple operation attended with little trouble.

As to Buonaparte, he has too much judgment not to be convinced that this country is absolutely invulnerable from any French attack; but imperious necessity compels him to act a farce. It is reported he has just made an alliance with Austria. The Emperor is certainly disgusted with us, imputing the ill fate of the battle of Marengo, and his humiliation, to the contempt with which our late Cabinet treated the offers of Buonaparte: yet it is impossible for the Emperor and First Consul to shake hands with any degree of cordial sincerity. The enormous aggrandisement of France and her gigantic pretensions, invite the jealousy of every power incomparably more than what may spring from her commercial prosperity; the Confular establishment being absolutely incompatible with the dignity as well as the welfare of all the other European Potentates; a circumstance which leads us to think that Buonaparte will soon see the necessity of subscribing to our own terms.

The vigorous exertions of the present Minister, his prudent moderation, his conduct, free from animosity, intemperance and equivocation, cannot but determine the First Consul in favour of this country. Notwithstanding the galleonades relative to Menou and Gantreme, we think that the French resistance in Egypt is at the last gasp, and Buonaparte must be sensible of it.

SHERIFFS' SALES.

On Saturday the 10th Day of November next, will be sold, for ready Money, at the Court-House in the Town of Rockingham,

THE following Tracts of Land, or so much thereof as will satisfy the Taxes due thereon, with the Cost of advertising, &c. for the Year 1800, in the County of Richmond, viz.

One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Acres, granted unto David Allison, since conveyed by Sheriff John Cole to Tody Robinson and H. W. Harrington, for Taxes, &c. since conveyed by the said Tody Robinson and H. W. Harrington, to a certain — Dele Parte, being Parts of eighteen different Tracts.

Also, Six Hundred and Forty Acres on the Waters of Mounting Creek, supposed to be the Property of — Farmer; likewise, Three Hundred Acres on the Waters of Hitchcock Creek, supposed to be the Property of Joseph White.

The above Lands were not given in to the Inventory-Takers, as by Law required. JOHN WALL, Sheriff Richmond County, Sep. 22, 1801.

At the Court-House in Charlotte, in Mecklenburg County, on Saturday the 7th of December next,

THE following Lots in the said Town of Charlotte, the Taxes on which for the Years 1799 and 1800, have not been paid, viz.

1 Lot the Property of the Heirs of John Herron; 1 do. the Property of the Heirs of Robert Micklethead; 2 do. the Property of the Heirs of Samuel Martin; 1 do. the Property of the Heirs of Joel Brevard; 2 do. the Property of the Heirs of Mary Currens; Also 112 Acres of Land on the Waters of Paw Creek, supposed to be the Property of the Heirs of Robert Mitchell; and 40 Acres lying East of Charlotte, joining Land of William Malon, the Property of Wm. McGowan, for Taxes due thereon. JAMES NEEL, Sheriff. Sep. 24.

SHERIFFS' SALES.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT the following Lands, situated in the County of Jones, have not been given in by any list exhibited in said County for the Year 1800, agreeably to Law, and that so much thereof as will satisfy the Taxes due thereon for said Year, and all Charges, will be sold at the Court-House in Trenton, in said County, on Saturday the 30th of October next,

640 Acres of Hunter's Creek, the Property of John G. Blount; 150 Acres of Clay Hill, the Property of Hardy Bryan; 80 Acres the Property of Solomon B. Mark and Henry Beck, of Philadelphia; 363 Acres the Property of William Dennis, now in Possession of Moses Watson, sen. on Whitlock River, adjoining Micajah Frazier's Line; 180 Acres on Trent, late the Property of Lemuel Grimes, deceased, now in Possession of Lemuel Simmons; 50 Acres the Property of William Foville, in Possession of Benjamin Stanley; 50 Acres on Whitlock River, the Property of the Heirs of the late Abraham Meador, now in Possession of Church Blake; 200 Acres on Hunter's Creek, formerly the Property of Campbell Miller, now in Possession of Herod Hutchel; 100 Acres on Whitlock, adjoining Melchor Arnold's Lines, the Property of Sarah Miller; 200 Acres on Whitlock, Widow's Dower of Eli West, deceased, Mill Lands, C. West; 14,430 Acres, the Property of — Dubois of Philadelphia. DAWKINS WILKINSON, Sheriff Jones County, Sep. 6.

Will be sold, on Tuesday the 10th Day of November next, at Sampson Court-House,

THE following Lands in Sampson County, taken to satisfy the Taxes due for the Year 1800. 81 Acres on the South Side Stewart's Creek, the Property of William Coley, not returned on the Tax List; 100 Acres near Stewart's Creek, the Property of James Cook. No Return; 100 do. on said Creek, the Property of Lucretia Cook. No Return made. OWEN GREGORY, Sheriff. Sep. 18.

CARTERET COUNTY.

Whereas the following Lands in said County, have not been given in for Taxation, for the Year 1800, the Subscriber finds it necessary to advertise them for Sale, agreeably to Law; the Sale to be at the Court-House, in Beaufort, on the third Wednesday in November next, viz.

1130 Acres, in Harlow's Swamp, and on Core Banks, the reputed Property of Samuel Mabson, and Heirs of Amour Mabson; also 3 1/2 Lots in the Town of Beaufort; 200 Acres, the Property of John B. Yates; 228 do. the reputed Property of John Charrier; 75 Acres, the Property of Thos. Dudley; 125 do. the Property of Edward Starkey; 340 do. the reputed Property of Thomas and John Banks. MATTHEW MORRIS, Sheriff. Sep. 17.

On Monday the 23d Day of November next, will be sold, at the Court-House, in Smithfield, for the Taxes of the Year 1800, and contingent Charges,

THE following Lots in the said Town of Smithfield, not given in for that Year: Lot No. 1, said to belong to James Smith; Lot No. 11, John Smith; 17, James Kennon; 60 and 82, William Ward; 99, Joel Linn; 98, John Rice; 93 and 97, Richard Caldwell; 96, Abner Nash; 95, William Slaz; 94, T. Hart; 116, Benjamin Exum; 111, Joel Linn; 109, David Nabst; 110, John Rice; 86 and 130, J. Stevens; 107, J. Williams; 82, James Kennon; 103, J. Bludworth; 123, Thomas Owens.

Also the following Tracts of Land in the County of Johnston, or so much as will discharge the Taxes and contingent Charges, to wit:—175 Acres given in by Burrell Farp; 150 Acres of Jesse Langston, not given in, joining James Adams; 60 Acres of Deborah Artins, joining Joel Nurvins; 100 Acres of Samuel Price, joining Simon Price; 28 Acres of John Roffer, joining William Hinnett; 170 Acres of the Heirs of William Ward, joining Adam Sterling and William Hinnett; 200 Acres of Thomas Butcher, joining William Hinnett; 100 of John Ring, joining Ezekiel Stallings; 250 Acres of Jesse Lumley, joining Richard Whiting; 350 Acres of Benjamin Woodard, lying in the District of Capt. Bulls; 317 Acres of James Jones, lying in the District of Capt. Bulls; 1075 Acres given in by Reuben Carter, in Capt. O'Neil's District; 75 Acres, given in by Stephen Spell, in Capt. O'Neil's District; 300 Acres of William Ingram, in Capt. Steven's District; 280 Acres of Land, given in by James Wilder, in Capt. Allen's District; 237 Acres, given in by Joseph Deloach, in Capt. Eason's District; 200 Acres, given in by Sherrod Harrells, in Capt. Eason's District; 160 Acres, given in by Joel Bailey, in Capt. Smith's District; 100 Acres, given in by Joseph Brown, in Capt. Tucker's District; 175 Acres of Moses Terrill, joining James Ivy; 1050 Acres of Green Hill, joining John Aulton; 200 Acres of Abraham Beathon, joining Richard Bradford; 950 Acres of Jesse Lee, joining Josiah Basset; 200 of Bailum Johnston, joining Labor Hall.

The above Town Lots will be sold, and so much of the above Land as will discharge the Taxes and contingent Charges, if they are not discharged before the Day of Sale.

SAMUEL NORSWORTHY, Sheriff of Johnston County. Sep. 7, 1801.

SHERIFFS' SALES.

NOTICE.

On the 30th Day of October, will be sold, at the Court-House of Anson County (Wadesborough)

THE following Lands, for the Taxes due thereon for the Year 1800: 100 Acres, the Property of Medlin; 200 ditto, granted to Robert Rainey, on the Waters of Jones Creek; 300 Acres, the Property of one Cotton, on the Waters of Gold's Fork; 200 Acres, on the Waters of Black Jack, on Brown Creek, said to be the Property of the Heirs of one Love; 100 Acres, on the Rocky Fork, the Property of the Heirs of William Love; 100 Acres, the Property of the same, on the Waters of the Black Jack of Brown Creek; 300 Acres, on the Waters of Thomson's Creek, the Property of the Heirs of one Weaver; 100 Acres, on the Head of one of the Branches of Jones Creek, said to have been patented by one Stokes; 100 Acres, the Property of James Stanfill, on Jones Creek; 200 Acres, the Property of Thomas Barrett, joining Bale's Old Place; 150 Acres, the Property of J. Miller, joining John St. Clair; 150 Acres, the Property of one Smith, joining the said St. Clair; 200 Acres, the Property of T. Mears, lying on the Savannah Branch. JOHN JENNINGS, Sheriff. Anson County, Aug. 22.

Just opened and for Sale by ROBERT FLEMING & CO. At the Store on Fayetteville-street, lately occupied by Mr. Wm. Camp, Saddler,

A Very general Assortment of DRY GOODS, HARDWARE, and FANCY ARTICLES; also Madeira and Sherry Wine, Port Wine in Bottles, French Brandy, Gin, West-India Rum, Imperial and Hyson Tea of the latest Importation, Coffee, Loaf and Brown Sugar, China in Sets of 50 Pieces, Queen's and Glass Ware, &c. all which they will sell cheap for Cash or Produce. Having established Correspondents in Petersburg, and through them with all the Towns on the Continent, they will receive Orders for any Articles which cannot be procured in this City. Raleigh, Aug. 24, 1801.

THOMAS GLASS, WATCH-MAKER,

Respectfully informs the Public, that he has opened Shop, in Fayetteville-street, near the Market-House, in the City of Raleigh, where he carries on the above business, and hopes, by his Punctuality and Attention to Business, to deserve Encouragement.

He has on Hand, at present, a few of the following Articles, viz Gold and Silver Watches, Silver Table and Tea Spoons, Sugar Tongs, Shoe and Kneec Buckles, Variety of Gold-Rings, Lockets, Bracelets, Buttons, Ear-rings, &c. Orders from the Country executed with Care and Dispatch. The highest Price given for old Gold & Silver. Sept. 21.

Coff's Inn, Raleigh.

A Report having prevailed in some Parts of the Country, that the Subscriber had declined the Tavern Business, he begs Leave publicly to contradict the same; and to assure his Friends and the Public, that every Attention will be paid in future, as in Time past, to accommodate, in the best possible Manner, all such as shall be pleased to favour his House with their Company. PETER CASSO. August 20, 1801.

CHARLES PARISH,

TAKES this Method to inform his Friends, and the Public in general, that he still keeps up his House of Entertainment in Fayetteville-street; and having just erected a new Building, which he hopes to have completely finished by the Meeting of the General Assembly, he will be able to entertain thirty-five or forty Members, besides transient Customers. He flatters himself, that, by his Assiduity and Attention to Business, he shall give Satisfaction to those Gentlemen who may be pleased to favour him with their Company. Raleigh, Sept. 21.

MEARS'S TAVERN.

THE Subscriber begs Leave to inform his Friends, and the Public in general, that he still continues to keep a House of Entertainment in the City of Raleigh, for Travellers, and all others, who may be pleased to favour him with their Custom. He will be provided to take Thirty-five or Forty Boarders at the ensuing Assembly, exclusive of transient Custom. JAMES MEARS. Sep. 23.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT at the last August Sessions of Wake County, the Subscriber qualified as Executor of the last Will and Testament of SAMUEL PECK, deceased. All Persons having Demands against the said Testator, are requested to bring them forward in the Time limited by Law, otherwise they will be barred, and those who are indebted to make immediate Payment. MATTHEW JONES. Wake County, Sep. 22, 1801.

EARLY FALL GOODS.

THE Subscribers beg Leave to inform their Customers, and the Public in general, that their FALL GOODS are lately arrived, and will be open and ready for Sale by the 1st of October. The Assortment is extensive. The whole of the Woolens, and the greater Part of the other Articles, are imported directly from the Manufacturers. Their Assortment of EAST and WEST-INDIA GOODS, is also very complete, and the whole are offered by Wholesale and Retail, at a moderate Advance. DONALDSON'S, MACMILLAN & Co. Fayetteville, Sep. 12, 1801.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given of the Decease of ROBERT ADAM, Esq. late of Fayetteville and Wilmington, Merchant, and of the Subscribers having, at July Term now last past of the Court of Cumberland County, qualified as Executors of his last Will and Testament. Those indebted to the Estate are desired to make immediate Payment, and those having Accounts or Demands against the Estate of any Kind or Denomination, are required to exhibit the same for Liquidation and Payment, to the Executors, agreeably to Law, and within the Time limited by the Act of General Assembly, passed in 1789, entitled "An act to amend an act, entitled An act concerning proving Wills and granting Letters of Administration, and to prevent Frauds in the Management of Intestates' Estates." In Failure whereof the same will be paid in Bar to the Recovery of any such Debt or Demand. DUNCAN MILLER, JOHN WINSLOW, SAM. GODDWIN, JOHN ECCLES, JOHN HOGG, Executors. Fayetteville, July 17.

WILLIAM DICK,

BEGS Leave to inform the Public, that he has removed to the large House in Bow-street, in the Town of Fayetteville, lately occupied by Mr. Molton, where he has opened

A House of Entertainment, and furnished the same with every necessary Convenience. He flatters himself that the moderate Rates of his Inn, the Punctuality of his Stables, and his own Assiduity and Attention to the Business in which he has engaged, will give Satisfaction to those Gentlemen who may be pleased to visit his House. He will take a few Genteel Boarders, in Addition to those he now has; and select Parties may be accommodated with Supper, &c. at a short Notice. Fayetteville, Sep. 11.

Lands in Warren County.

FOR SALE, ABOUT 4,000 Acres, in one Body, lying on Shoock Creek, 100 Miles South of Petersburg, 10 Miles South of Warrenton, and 45 Miles North of Raleigh; the Soil good for Tobacco, Wheat and Corn. On the said Tract are several Plantations; one of them highly improved, and all well watered; with a large Proportion of valuable Meadow Land. As it is supposed no Person will purchase without viewing the Premises, a further Description is unnecessary. The Terms will be made known, and the Lands shewn, to any Person inclinable to purchase, by making Application to the Subscriber. THOMAS E. SUMNER. Warren County, Sep. 1, 1801. Letters on the above Subject, Postage paid, will be attended to.

UNIVERSITY.

THE Stewardship at the University of North-Carolina, will become vacant on the 15th of November next, in Consequence of the Resignation of Major Henderson, the present Steward: This Notice is therefore given, to the End that such Persons who wish to be employed in that Character, may give in their Proposals, on or before the Day aforesaid, to the Subscribers, or to any of them, who are authorized to contract with a Steward for the next Year, say for 1802, to supply the Place of Mr. Henderson, resigned as aforesaid. WILL. FOLK, HENRY POTTER, JOHN HAYWOOD. Raleigh, Aug. 24, 1801.

NOTICE.

THOSE indebted to the Estate of SAMUEL THOMPSON, Senior, deceased, are requested to come forward and settle the same; and such as have Demands against the said Deceased, either by Bond or otherwise, to bring them forward within the Time limited by Law, or they will be barred of Recovery. REBECCA THOMPSON, Adm'r. JOHN THOMPSON, Adm'r. Sep. 21.

NATHANIEL TYNES.

Whereas NATHANIEL TYNES, removed himself from the County of Edgecomb, when a Youth, and his Friends do not now know where he is, or whether he be still living; any Information, either of the Place of his Residence, or of the Date of his Death, will be thankfully received by his Relation. ELIAS EDWEN. Franklin County, Sep. 22.