North-Carolina State Gazette.

~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~ Ours are the plans of fair delightful peace,

Unwarp'd by party rage, tolive like brothers,

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## From the Enquirer. Vindication OF MR. JEFFERSON.

No. 1. Non Othe, Vitenius Gaiba beneficio; nec imperiis cogniti-Tacilus.

It is one of the consequences attendant upon greatness, that it multiplies the number of critics and of enemies. Was it to have been expected therefore, that Mr. Jefferson would have escaped the rage and rancour of opposition ?

When these attacks were levelled against him, what was the sacred duty imposed upon himself and his supporters? Was it to have imitated the policy of his oponents, when they formerly held the administration in their hands? To have awed them into silence by the same' legal terrors which they had in vain brandished over the heads of the republicans? Or was it not to have shielded his feelings behind the Ægis of trath; and to have sacrificed any little resentment which he might have experienced, to the inviolable duty of respecting the rights of the press?

By adopting this plan of defence, Mr. Jenerson has entitled himself to the gratitude of his country. He has exhibited an example of moderation by which his successors may profit. He has shown to the Kings and Emperors of Europe, how much better, it is to trust an honest officer's vindication to the zeal of his friends than to the terrors of the

turn to his disadvantage, have once more descended to these oblivious tales. But no! let me not be unjust to the federal party. Let me not involve them all in one indiscriminate censure. We know that there are many of them who have disapproved of the repetition of those tales. We know that there are some, who have really believed them, because they have not yet " heard both sides of the question." In the northern states particularly, we believe that this latter class is not inconsiderable. Was it then to be supposed that it would be a man from the south, from Virginia, that should once more renew these attacks ? Yet such is the fact. Thomas Turner of Virginia, has become the champion of Christendom.

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#### Extract from Mr. Turner's letter to his correspondent in. Boston.

"At the time Petersburgh was occupied by the British Troops, under the command of Generals Philips and Arnold, Mr. Jefferson, who was then Governor of the state, did participate in the partial consternation excited by the situation of the British Army, did abandon the seat of Government, at a period, and with an awkard precipitation, indicative of timidity, unwarranted by any immediate movement of the enemy, and forbidden by a regard to those duties, which belong to the station he held. This fact is well recollected, and can be proved by many of the oldest and most respec-

tration of Mr. J. which they could || just below Willoughby's Point, framped at Four-Mile-Creek, 8 or (the southern Cape of James River:) their destination being unknown.

> On the 2d of January 1781, information was received that they had entered James River, their advance being at Warrasqueak Bay. Orders were then issued for calling in the militia: onefourth from some counties, and one-half from others; which orders were conveyed to their respective counties by the members of the Legislature which rose on that day. The Governor at the same time directed that the records of state should be removed into the country and the military stores should be transported from Richmond to'Westham, 7 miles above on the river, from whence they were to be conveyed across the river.

On the 31, the enemy were reported to be a short distance below Williamsburg in a situation convenient for landing, should Williamsburg have been their object.

On the 4th, information was received that they had passed Cannon's and Wood's the evening before with a strong easterly wind, which clearly pointed out that either Petersburg or Richmond was their point of destination. The whole militia" was then called in from the adjacent counties.

On the 5th, it was stated that the enemy had landed and were drawn up at Westover, on the. north side of the river and 25 miles below Richmond.-Richmond of course being their place of destination, orders were given to waggon no more of the minitary stores to Westham, but to throw them directly across the river. Having attended to this operation until an hour and a half in the night, the Governor rode up to the foundry, one mile below Westhain ; ordered Captains Bush, and Irish, and Mr. D. Hylton, to continue wag goning to Westham, the arms and stores which were still at the foundry, with the view of conveying them across the river; proceeded from thence to Westham, for the purpose of accelerating the transportation of such stores as had already arrived; and from thence repaired to Tukahoe, 8 miles above and on the the same side of the river, where he arrived after midnight. On the 6th, after sending his family to a place of safety, the Governor repaired to Britton's on the south side of the river opposite to Westham, where finding the arms and stores thrown together in a heap near the shore, and exposed to the cannon of the enemy on the opposite side of the river, he had them removed under cover of an adjacen't point of land. From thence he proceeded to Manchester, opposite to Richmond, where he found the enemy had already arrived at 1 P. M. Seeing that the arms were secured, he repaired to Cheetwood's to have an interview with Baron Steuben, who had appointed that place as a rendezvous and head quarters. Not finding him there, and understanding that the Baron had intended "On the 7th, the Governor re-

10 miles below it. On the 8th, the Governor having reviewed the state of the arms at

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Britton's, repaired to Manchester, where he lodged that night.

Early on the morning of the 9th, he crossed over to Richmond, and once more fixed his residence in the capital. In the mean time the enemy were detained at Westover by an easterly wind.

On the 13th, they effected their retreat down the river.

During all these transactions, the American forces were scattered in different detachments, and amounted to no more than 2300 men : 300 Militia under Col. John Nicholas at the forest, 6 miles off from Westover; 200 under Gen. Nelson at Charles City Court-House, 8 miles below; 1000 under Col. Gibson, and 800 under Baron Steuben, on the south side of the river.

Through the whole of this interesting period, we have minutely specified time, and place. For we wish any man, who can discover the slightest remissness in these movements, to lay his finger upon the point and say when and where it was.

We shall not in proving the truth of the foregoing details, imitate the covert policy of Mr. Turner. We shall not content ourselves as he has done, with appealing to the authority of a thousand nameless witnesses : But we shall bring them [ directly before the public; we shall put it into the power of any man to decide, whether the names and characters of such men are not sufficient to protect them from the suspicion of interested motives. If these statements do not convinceeven Mr. Turner himself that he has miscrably misunderstood the character of MR. JEFFERSON, during the revolution; and if they do not compel him to come forward and by ingenuously confessing his mistakes, to offer the only reparation which it is yet in his power to bestow; the discernment and the candour of Mr. Turner will become not less proverbial with us, than the sagacity of a Pickering, or the virtues of a Hamilton.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, 2 HERITORD COUNTY, May Term, 1805. Robert Laurence, ) Original Attachment.

James Deane,

Attached six Pieces of Cannon. T appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that James Deane, the Defendant, is not an Inhabitant of this State : It was therefore on motion, Ordered, That Publication be made, by way of Notice, in the Raleigh Register for three months, requiring the Defendant to appear and replevy the Property attached, by putting in Bail, &c. otherwise the Court will, at the next Session, proceed to Judgment and award Execution.

A Copy, Test, JO: F. DICKINSON, Clk. STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA, ? HERTFORD COUNTY. Muy Term. 1805. Hardy Murfree, 7 Original Attachment.

John S. Hill. Attached one Negro Man by the Name of Willis, the Land and Plantation whereon

John S. Hill formerly lived.

I' appearing to the Court that the Defendant does not live within the limits of the State-It was, by the Court, on motion, Ordered, That Publication, by way of Notice, be made in the Haleigh Register for three Months, for the Defendant to appear and replevy the Property attached, by putting in Bail, &c. otherwise the Cour will, at the next Session, proceed to Judg ment and award Execution. A Copy, Test, JO: F. DICKINSON, Clk.

#### ESCAPE OF PRISONERS.

IN the Night of the 23d instant. made their Escape from the Goal of Hillsborough district, Thomas Maurice, John Jones, Abraham Collins, Nathan Holtsclaw, and John Gester; the two first of whom were convieted at the last Circuit Court of the United States, h 'd at Raleigh, and sentenced to five years imprisonment for counterfeiting or passing counterfeit Bank Notes of the Bank of the Usited States; the third and fourth were also committed for trial for the like offence; and the fifth on a charge of Horse-stealing. I will give a Reward of one Hundred Dollars to any Person who shall apprehend and deliver to me at this place, either of the four first named persons, and Twenty- . five Dollars for the last.

law.

Among the various charges which have been urged against Mr. Jefferson, the most important are those which relate to his conduct during our revolution. From these insinuations it has been inferred that Mr. J, has neither the spirit or the talents to conduct the administration of our government. The man. who was unable to discharge the duties of a Governor of Virginia, is declared unfit to be the President of the Union.

These charges against Mr. J werecommenced in 1796, by Charles Symmes. of Alexandria, an act, which the'n mented the honest indignation of his country, was enough to make him an object of presidenfial bounty. It was on this sycophantic states non that Mr. Adams, in the plenitude of his folly, bestowed the most lucrative office in the state of Virginia, which he even now holds through the magnanimity of the man whom he had so incominiously trafuced. Like the celebrated monarch of France, Mr. J. disdains to avenge the injuries " of the Prince of Orleans."

) rom Mr. Symmes, who was rewarded with the collectorship of Altrandria, the ignominious tale was handed down to William Smith, of S. Carolina, by whom it was reported with additional colouring in his pamphlet of Phocion. It was in this clebrated production, designed to influence the election in S. Carolina, and addressing men to he peculiar feelings of the people, that Mr. Smith pretends to quote a passage where signal services. like these, to [ ternative? be treated with ingratifude? Surely ! out in the artificial honours of Min's- ; three distinct periods. ter to the st' me r i

a convenient Credit will be given for the reto be at Col. Fleming's, 6 miles Meantime did the friends of Mr. as above stated, Subscribers may vote in English. mainder, the purchaser giving Bond bearing Person or by Proxy being a Stockolder. dell'urson remain inactive? No. 2. During the second. above Britton's, he proceeded to interest from the date, payable annually Proxies may be constituted by delivery of They ransacked the records of state : [] that place. In the mean time a 3. During their incursions into the the Receipt or Script held by the Subscriber with approved Security. They appealed to the memory of upper country. Persons disposed to purchase, may learn detachment of the enemy had arto the Person to act as Proxy, or by power Cotemporary witnesses. They cold the Price, and be more particularly inform-Though Mr. Turner has not touchmade and executed in manuer and form as [ rived at Westham, from which ed of the conditions, by applying to Thomas hered a body of argument, which ed upon the first period at all, we follows : place they sent a deputation to the Blount, at this place, or to Willie Blount, or John Strother, at or near Nashville. STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA, Sc. not only refuted, but turned into cannot but think it worthy of some Governor at Col. F's with terms the unfounded accusations enquiry: 1st. because we shall be COUNTY. S of ransom for Richmond. These Thomas Blount. of his opponents. Above all; the I, A B. Subscriber for and owner of able to refute many misrepresentawere rejected with the indignation Thos. E. Sumners. elle Editor of the Examiner, to Shares in the Bank of Lape Fear, do hereby tions which have been already circu-Tarborough, N. C. May 2, 1805. which they deserved. The late appoint G. D. my Proxy to vote for Directors show the warmest gratitude of lated about it, and 2d. because we of said Bank, to serve until the 1st Monday Mr. Buchannan of Richmond, was thery Republicanis due, distinguishmay be able to contribute a few valuin January, 1806. Witness my Hand and thimself by his acuteness and z al. one of the deputation. A CAMP MEETING. able materials towards writing the August, 1805. These misrepresentations appeared history of that period. E. F. [Seal.] Sealed and delivered in Presence of WILL be held on Fishing Creek, to have been compleatly refuted, and near Edmand Jones's, (Ransom's turned to Britton's, with the view FIRST INVASION. Bridge) beginning on Friday 6th Sepremevery friend of truth began to hope G. H, J. P. of more effectually securing the On the 31st of December 1780, books, papers &c. The enemy the Governor received the first in-h wing burnt some stores and hou-of Directors to Thursday the 19th Septthat the ten b of oblivion had closed ber next, and will continue four Days. The celebrated Lorenzo Dow is expected. upon them for ever. PHILIP BRUCE telligence that 27 sail of ships had ses, deserted Richmond, after a next, instead of the 29th Inst. as hereto-Vain, however, was that hope ! The federal party unable to make July 30; 1805. entered the Chesapeak Bay; and residence of 24 hours, and en- fore advertised. any thing out in the public adminis. were in the morning of the 29th, ] 12.11

table inhabitants of the city of Richmond, and I believe would not be denied by the candid supporters of Mr. Jefferson himself.

" The sequel of his conduct, after the Assembly returned to Charlottesville, and on the approach of Colonel Tailton to that plece. stands attested by thousands of witness's, and can never be lorgotten by those o: his countrymen, who respect the character of a firm and virtuous public officer, and who abhor that of a dastardly traitor to the trust repo sed in him. His retreat or rather hi- flight from Monticello, on the information that Tarleton had penetrated the country, and was advancing to Charlottesville, was effected with such hurried abruptness, as to produce a fall from his horse, and a difforation of the should r. In this situation he proceeded about sixty miles south, to the county of Bedford, whence he forwarded his resignation to the Assembly, (who had in the mean time, removed to Stanton and) who thereupon elected General Nelson, Governor. These circumstances are substantially and it rally true; nay, the abdication of the Government, must be a mail.r of record."

Yes; fortunately they are matter, of record, and shall be duly exhibited. And if we do not prove that there is not an Iota of truth in these accusations, we consent to abide by the severity of the Egyptian law, which inflicts the same punishment upon the unjust accuser, which i would have been served upon the acin the letter of Mr. Jefferson to loused, had he been guilty. Will Bannaker, the Black Astronomer. [] Mr. Turner submit to the same Al-

That we may preserve some de-10. This furbisher of refuted false- | gree of order in the discussion which boods; this shan, eless fabricator of i we are about to undertake, we shall tz racts of letters ; was soon tricked. | trace the conduct of Mr. Jenerson at

1. During the first invasion of the

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* BANK OF CAPE FEAR

THE Commissioners of the Bank of Cape Fear, in and for the Town of Wilmingt n, Hereby give notice, That the Subscriptions to and for 1000 Shares of the Capital Stock of said Bank, is full and complete, and payment of 25,000 Dolls. the arst instaiment thereof received, agreeably to the Act of Incorporation : Therefore, the Subscribers thereto, are hereby notified, hat an Election will be held at Dick's Hotel, in the Fown of Wilmington, on Thursday the 19th Sept. between the hours of ten and two, for the purpose of electing eleven Persons, being Citizens of this State, and Stockholders, " of whom at least seven shall be residents of Wilmington, or within tifteen Miles thereof," to serve as Directors of said Bank, until the first Monday in January next, or until their Successors shali be duly elected.

George Hooper, John London, John Hill, John Hogg, Richd. Bradley, Wm. Giles, Henry Waters. J Wilmington, N. C. Sth August, 1805.

At the first Election of Directors, held

SAMUEL TURRENTINE, Sheriff of Orange County. North-Carolina.

Hillsborough, July 25,1305.

#### RUNAWAY

From the Subscriber living in Waynesborough. N. C about the 20th of June last, NEGRO MAN named Jonn. about twenty five Years of Age, five Feet 4 Inches high; very black, and his Eyes rather red; he is a little bow-legged; he has a very bushy Head, and a small Scar in his Forehead; he was raised in South-Carolina by a Mr. Eurgess, and sold to some man in the lower part of that State; he was taken off by a northern Negro, and was taken up here, and said his Name was DAVY ; some time since, a Mr. John Dyson came after said Fellow and sold him to ne; I think he will aim for some Sea-port. Any Person that will apprehend said Nero, and confine him in any Jail so that I et him, shall have a Reward of Twenty-five Dollars; or any Person that will deliver aid Fellow to me in Waynesborough, shall be paid for their Trouble.

ISAAC HANDLEY. July 10th. 1805.

#### For Sale,

THAT VERY VALUABLE TRACT OF LAND,

IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE,

WHich was granted by the State of of North-Carolina toGen.JethroSumner inconsideration of his military services. It contains 10,000 Acres, ort hereabout, free from dispute of any kind, emora is the head waters of Big Harpath, Mill Creek, Arrington's Creek and Stuart's Creek, and is fully equal, if not superior in fertility, to any other Tract of equal extent within the Military Boundaries. Land conveniently situated in this State, or Property of almost any other kind, will be received in Payment. Orif one-third of the value is paid down in Casha