

along the unauthorized and insolent... of France to establish a government for them, and to force it down... and the return of those... men who reach Madrid was look-... as much more problematical... arrival there. The liberal... in France is supposed not to be... dissatisfied with the war, from the... that it would infallibly lead... overthrow of both French and... Bourbons, all of whom, except... Duke of Orleans, a child of the rev-... seem alike odious to it.—*Amer.*

The Gazette of Madrid of the 5th... contains an official despatch, dated Valencia, April 2, from Gen-... which announces that a... of 1000 Constitutionals, had... a body of 5000 Royalists... Murviedro and Almonara, in 800 of the latter were killed, 200 made prisoners.

The Prince Regent, of 120 guns, lately launched in England. Length of her gun deck is 205 feet, and her whole length 244 feet. Her greatest depth is 64 feet, and her draught 33 feet. She is 2620 tons. Her head is decorated with a royal figure of the King in an Admiral's uniform, and a sword in his right hand. She is commanded by Benjamin Hollowell, Port Admiral.

AL PORTER'S SQUADRON. Extract of a letter from an officer of Commodore Porter's Squadron to his friend in Baltimore, dated "Allenton, Thompson's Island, May 11, 1823."

"We have just returned from a fatiguing cruise, but I have time to enter into all the details. It has resulted in the capture of the schooner Pilot, and a felucca by the schooners and barges under Captain Cassin—the burning of the piratical schooners (in consequence of our approach) by the pirates—the burning by our boats of the vessel on the stocks, and about a dozen houses in different piratical establishments under the Colorado reef, and the complete breaking up and dispersion of all the piratical gangs on this side of the Island. It is not believed that a single pirate is to be found afloat between Pointe-aux-Chenes and Cape Antonio; but the interior of the Island is much infested by them.—Large bands of them are roving about the country near Matanzas when we were last there, plundering plantations and murdering the inhabitants. A considerable body of cavalry was sent out after them and brought in five prisoners. The militia were also under arms and during the country. The Pirates are well manned and well armed, and I think it likely they will give the inhabitants of the island much trouble; but as the evil is now brought home to them, I think the authorities will feel it incumbent on them to use every means in their power for their suppression.

From the Connecticut Courant. CUBA.

This valuable Island has attracted much attention, from an apprehension it was about to be ceded to Great Britain. The population of Cuba is calculated at from 6 to 800,000—the greater half of them whites, and a large number of the remainder blacks.—The climate of the Island back from the sea board is salubrious, and it is said the greater part may be cultivated without the aid of slaves. With an island so extensive, 5700 by 150 miles, with a population nearly equal to one fourth of that of the U. States at the close of the revolutionary war, what have we to fear from its falling into the hands of a nation that will make the most of these natural advantages—such hands, this island of itself would shortly become a powerful nation. Besides, an efficient portion of its inhabitants are emigrants from these states, possessed of our habits, resources, and enterprize. It is, however, the geographical position of this island that is most to be regarded under a change of masters. The port of Havana is the eye of the West Indies. No ship can pass into the Bay of Mexico unobserved from this station. With an impregnable fortress to protect her shipping,

England might off actually cut off all communication with the Mississippi by sea. This position is to the West Indies what Gibraltar is to the Mediterranean, or the Cape of Good Hope to the East Indies, and if she was once in the possession of the Island, she would as soon relinquish the one as the other.



CHARLESTOWN, IA: WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 1823.

ANNIVERSARY OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE!!!

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for celebrating the Fourth of July 1823, convened on Tuesday the 24th ult. at the house of Mr. James C. Caldwell, in this town, and selected as Marshall, Col. Joseph Carr—the Hon. James Scott as president, and the Hon. Jonathan Jennings as vice-president, of the day.

The Committee then proceeded to appoint the Rev. R. Hammond as Chaplain, and Thomas J. Todd, Esq. Orator of the Day, and selected Isaac Naylor, Esq. to read the DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

The Committee then employed Mr. Charles B. Naylor, to prepare a public dinner suitable to the occasion, and consented for him to set his table at the west end of Charlestown. The following resolution was then adopted:—

Resolved, unanimously, that captain John M. Lemon and his company of Artillery, and captain Joseph Gibson and his Rifle Company, be, and they are hereby, respectfully, requested to aid in a Military capacity and participate with us in the celebration of the ensuing Anniversary of American Independence.

On motion, the Committee then adjourned.

JOS: A. LINGAN, Sec'y.

\* I. Naylor declines serving in this capacity, in consequence of a celebration at New-Washington, at which he is bound to attend.

TO THE GOOD CITIZENS OF CHARLESTOWN AND THE INHABITANTS SURROUNDING IT.

Friends and Fellow-Citizens,

We deem it proper to come thus before you with the following narrative, appeal and invitation. In the Indiana Intelligence and Farmers' Friend, of the 18th ult. due notice was published requesting a meeting of the citizens on the Saturday next succeeding, at the Court-House, to make preparations for celebrating the birth day of American Independence.

The proceedings of that meeting were also published in the paper of this place, dated June 25th, which, no doubt, the greater part of you have noticed. The Committee appointed at said meeting, pursuant to agreement, met at the Cross Keys, east of the Court-House, on Tuesday the 24th ult. and made their arrangements as you will find published in this day's paper, and to which also we wish to draw your attention. We did hope your committee had made such selection of officers and other arrangements as no part of the community could object to, nor could we anticipate a schism; but to our inexpressible surprise we have been disagreeably disappointed. We might here observe, that the Committee had no hand in their own appointment, not more than one or two of them being present at the time, and although they felt honored by the appointment, they courted not the favor, nor expected to give any umbrage in fulfilling the duty assigned them.

Now we appeal to you as careful observers, and as warm friends to our common country, whether we have not, as members of the committee of arrangements, done all that men could do, under existing circumstances, to promote harmony and excite felicity, in celebrating the approaching anniversary of our independence.

We know many of the citizens have signed, innocently, a subscription paper for a dinner, set up in opposition to the arrangements of the Committee; but we are confident of their approbation, even if we should be deprived of their com-

pany, and of Him who heareth in secret and rewardeth openly; and we will go on to justify and meet the arrangements.

The disrespect that has been levelled by some, at the Committee, is unnecessary now to bring into view, neither can they speak or think of this subject but with regret. Men who espouse Republicanism, and are the first to put down legitimate power, are unfit to have any controul in our municipal or military regulations; and that we do, as one man, enter our protest against such proceedings. Two parties were not thought of perhaps when the Committee were chosen, and there is but one dissenting voice in our body to the arrangements. But, it sometimes happen, that, "virtues lose themselves in interest, as the rivers lose themselves in the ocean."

We most cordially invite such of you, both in town and country, as can make it convenient, to dine with us on said day, tho' we think it proper to direct your attention to the restrictions laid on us in the proceedings of the 21st ult. where they say, that, all those who partake must pay. Soldiers of the Revolution are earnestly invited by the committee, and do not fall within the above rule.

WILLIAM H. MOORE, JOHN S. SIMONSON, JOSEPH GIBSON, JACOB TEEPLE, H. ROBERTSON, JOSEPH A. LINGAN. Committee.

MESSRS. LINGAN & DUNKIN.

Several of the news-prints state, and we hope it is true, that the Post-Master General has resigned that office, no matter whether with or without his own consent, it forms additional matter for national rejoicing at this season, and the people should have this notice accordingly.

We cannot say who is or will be his successor in office, but trust it is or will be another GIDION GRAINGER, who will choose for his Deputies, only such as will serve both the people and the government which belongs to them with united faithfulness and cleverness. NORVEL.

We learn that RETURN J. MEIGS has resigned the office of Postmaster General of the United States. His successor is not yet designated.

It is stated in the New York newspapers, in an authoritative tone, that Mr. Meigs was removed from office. For this statement there is no foundation. The President in accepting this gentleman's resignation, which does not take effect until the first day in next month, did it in terms of acknowledgment & consideration for his patriotic services, especially in the late war.—*Nat. Int.*

From the Nashville Gazette.

A gentleman of the first respectability, and a member of the Legislature of Louisiana, writing to his friend in Nashville, on the subject of the Presidential Election, confirms our former opinion of the public feeling of that State, and assures him that no Legislative trick or pretended caucus can destroy the gratitude and veneration which her citizens feel for the Hero of N. Orleans. However great the talents, of Mr. Clay, as an orator and diplomatist, it cannot be and that they have labored so much for the good of this country. It cannot be contended that they have sustained him in services parallel to those of Jackson—and especially when Louisiana is chiefly indebted to the latter of her glory and riches, it is difficult to suppose that she will relinquish him, to support the man most generally known as the one essayed to be his destroyer—their saviour's enemy.

The correspondent says—"In the caucus, if a vote had been taken in the usual manner, Mr. Clay would not have been nominated. They (his partizans) broke up the meeting of their own accord, and no vote was taken, notwithstanding the pompous signatures of the President and Secretary. It was all a trick.—In this State it makes no impression. The people know nothing of Mr. Clay, and are not for him. They are for Jackson."

On Sunday last, the Meeting-House at Montville was struck with lightning—14 persons were struck dead, two of whom were killed instantaneously. The storm raged with great fury at the mouth of the river—a vessel, attempting to take in sails had them torn to pieces with great violence.

Middletown (Conn.) American Sentinel.

Remarks.—We recommend the above to the special notice of certain piously disposed, but (with all due

deference, we must add,) mistaken ministers of the gospel, who have seized upon every occasion to descend upon the awful calamity which befel this city last summer, and ascribed it to a divine dispensation of wrath, for the sins of a particular portion of the inhabitants. Will they also now venture to ascribe, in a similar manner, the above awful misfortune to the sins of those on whom its weight more particularly fell? Will they venture to pronounce that the two unfortunate females who were instantly killed, or the fourteen persons who were struck down, or the captain and crew of the vessel in the river, were singled out as the special objects of the divine anger.—"I tell ye nay." Not a whit more than those on whom the tower of Siloam fell.—*N. York Ev. Post.*

American Bible Society.—The Agent employed by the Directors of this Institution has published his report for April 1823, by which it appears that the receipts into the Treasury for that month, were \$5,519 37—and the issues from the Depository, during the same period, were 4,157 Bibles, and 3,404 Testaments—value, \$4,961 52.—*Family Visitor.*

The Advocate of Friday says, "that such is the confidence reposed in the southern horse, that the owner and others interested have offered to run him against Eclipse, next fall, on the Washington course, for from 20 to 50 000 dollars, which has been prudently declined; it being the last appearance of Eclipse on the course.—Although we know very little about horses or sporting, we are heretics enough to believe, that if Purdy had rode Henry, he would have beaten Eclipse; and in one year, nothing in this country, or probably in England, will be found to match Henry. We learn that the Jockey Club have received \$10,000 for the admission of horses and carriages to the course, and letting out booths and stands." Providence Patriot.

LOOK HERE.

All those indebted to the estate of Jacob Greasmore, dec'd. are earnestly requested to come forward immediately and discharge the same, as the situation of the estate is such that prompt payment is demanded; if not I will be under the disagreeable necessity of putting the notes and accounts in proper officers' hands for collection. CHARLES BEGGS. Administrator.

June 30th, 1823.

A List of Letters on hand, on the 30th June, 1823, and if not taken out on or before the last day of September, will be sent to the General Post Office as Dead Letters.

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| Mrs. Caty Anderson    | Mr. J. Johnston               |
| Phebe Armstrong       | Dr. Levi Jones                |
| Martin Adams          | Leonard Jones, 2d             |
| Aron Ashbrook         | Laban Jones                   |
| Thomas L. Allen       | L.                            |
| B.                    | William Long                  |
| George Bullock        | John W. Long                  |
| James Buchanan        | M.                            |
| James Beggs           | John Meckenley                |
| John Beggs, jr.       | Samuel McGee                  |
| Samuel Barker         | John McConnel                 |
| Mr. Bazel Bowel       | John Mathes.                  |
| Maj. General Joseph   | N.                            |
| Bartholemew           | Saml. Nicholson, s'r.         |
| Ebenezer Baldwin      | Edward Nowland                |
| Joseph Broady         | Thomas Needham                |
| Joseph Bowman         | P.                            |
| Thomas Bishop         | Wm. Plasket, esq.             |
| James Baker           | Woodbridge Parker             |
| C.                    | Thomas Perry                  |
| Robert Charnes        | Reuben Passett.               |
| Mr. Beverly Callicot  | R.                            |
| Edward Carroll        | Joseph Robson                 |
| Emmons or Cleghorn    | Ream Redman                   |
| Lloyd Cummings        | Rev. Cornelius Ruddle         |
| Daniel Caswell        | Nathaniel Ross                |
| Mr. M. P. Clark       | Dr. Wm. K. Richey.            |
| Isaac D. Cassell      | S.                            |
| Rev. Wm. Cravens.     | Robert Shepherd               |
| D.                    | Alexander Stewart             |
| Mrs. Marium Drake     | Edward Sney                   |
| Susan Dixon           | John W. Stone                 |
| James Dixon.          | Samuel Stafford, 2d           |
| E.                    | Shepard of Clark City.        |
| William Emmons.       | F.                            |
| Abner Fields.         | James Tucker                  |
| G.                    | B. V. Teel                    |
| William Gobin, s'r.   | Richard Turner                |
| David Gray            | Mr. John Todd                 |
| Martin Geiger.        | Mathew Taylor                 |
| H.                    | L. H. Thompson, esq.          |
| Stephen Hawley        | V.                            |
| William Henderson     | Mrs. Ann Vernon               |
| William Hess          | William Vanalick.             |
| William P. Holmes     | W.                            |
| Samuel Hamilton       | Joze Wilson                   |
| Mr. Phileman Howard   | Abner Wilson                  |
| J.                    | William Weidner               |
| Jonathan Jennings, 2d | Alex. W. Walker, esq.         |
|                       | LEAHUEL FORD, P. M.           |
|                       | Charlestown, June 30th, 1823. |