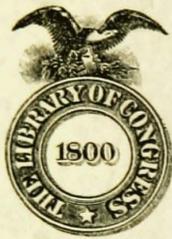


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January 23.

Proclamation of Treaty with Holland.

394. By the United States in Congress assembled: /

A Proclamation / ----- / Done in Congress this twenty-third day of Janu-ary, in the year of our Lord one thousand se-ven hundred and eighty-three, ---- / ----- / Elias Boudinot, President.

F°. 2 ll. (on one side only)

A copy is in the Library of Congress. The type—two leaves, six columns—measures 48 x 37.3 cms.

January 31.

Receipts and Expenditures.

395. A State of the Receipts and Expenditures of Public Monies upon Warrants from the Superintendant of Finance, from the 1st of January, 1782, / to the 1st of January, 1783. / ----- / [signed] Joseph Nourse, Register. / Register's Office, January 31st, 1783. /

Oblong f°. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, *Washington Papers*. It measures 21 x 37 cms.

February 17.

Resolution Concerning State Lands.

See under April 18, 1783.

March 4.

Piracies and Felonies on the High Seas.

396. An Ordinance / To amend an Ordinance, entitled, "An / Ordinance for establishing Courts for the / trial of Piracies and Felonies committed / on the high seas.

Narrow 8°. Broadside.

A copy is in the John Carter Brown Library. It measures 22.2 x 12.7 cms.

March 6.

Report of Committee on Impost.

397. Resolved, That it be recommended to the several / states, as indispensably necessary to the restoration of / public [sic] credit,

and the punctual and honourable dis-/charge of the public debts,
to vest in the united / states in congress assembled, a power to levy
for the / use of the united states, a duty of five per centum ad /
valorem, -----

F°. 3 ll. (on one side only)

A copy with manuscript notes is in the Library of Congress, *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 26, folio 411. Paul Leicester Ford lists this in his Bibliography as No. 328, under date of April 18, 1783, when the revised resolutions were adopted.

March 18.

Report of Committee on Impost.

398. March 18, 1783. / Resolved / That it be recommended to the
several states, ---- / ---- / ---- to invest in the United States in /
Congress assembled, a power to levy for the use of the / United
States, the following duties upon goods -----

F°. 2 ll. (on one side only)

A copy with manuscript notes is in the Library of Congress, *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 26, folio 415. As modified by the notes, the resolutions were adopted April 18.

March 19.

399. Philadelphia, March 19. / [1783]

Articles agreed upon by and between Richard Oswald, Esq. etc.

F°. Broadside in two columns.

In ms. "A true copy. L. R. Morris, Sec^t in the Department for foreign Affairs." A copy is in the Massachusetts Historical Society. It measures 43.8 x 17.8 cms.

April 11.

Treaty with England.

400. By the United States of America / In Congress Assembled /
A Proclamation / Declaring the Cessation of Arms, as well by Sea
as by Land, agreed / upon between the United States of America
and his Britannic / ----- / Done in Congress, at Philadelphia, this
Eleventh Day of / April, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand
Seven / Hundred and Eighty-three, -----

F°. Broadside.

This refers to the preliminary treaty. It is signed by Boudinot and Thomson. A copy is in the Massachusetts State Library.

April 11.

Treaty with England.

401. By the United States of America, / in Congress assembled /
A Proclamation, / Declaring the Cessation of Arms, as well by Sea
as by Land, agreed upon between the United / States of America
and His Britannic Majesty; and enjoining the Observance thereof.
/ -----

Done in Congress, at Philadelphia, this Eleventh Day of April,
in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand / Seven Hundred and
Eighty-three, and of Our Sovereignty and Independence the Sev-
enth. / ----- / Providence: Printed by John Carter.

F°. Broadside.

A copy is in the John Carter Brown Library. It measures 49 x 34.3 cms.

April 11.

Treaty with England.

402. By the / United States of America / In Congress assembled /
A Proclamation, / Declaring the Cessation of Arms, as / well by
Sea as by Land, Agreed upon / between the United States of Ame- /
rica and his Britannic Majesty; and / enjoining the Observance
thereof. / ----- / Done in Congress, at Philadelphia, this Eleventh
Day / of April, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Seven /
Hundred and Eighty-three. ----- / Richmond: Printed by James
Hayes, Printer to the Commonwealth.

F°. Broadside.

Followed by a proclamation by Governor Harrison, dated April 21, 1783. A
copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 32.5 x 19.5 cms.

Evans notes three other imprints:

Delaware, dated New-Castle, April 15, and printed in Wilmington by James
Adams.

Maryland, dated Annapolis, April 22; signed by Wm. Paca, and printed by
Frederick Green.

New Hampshire, dated Exeter, April 24; signed by M. Weare, and printed by
Zechariah Fowle (?)

April 15.

Ratification of the Articles of Peace.

403. The United States in Congress assembled / To all who shall
see these presents greeting: /

F°. Broadside in two columns.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 46.5 x 22 cms.

A copy is in the Massachusetts Historical Society, prefixed by manuscript of a
secretary of Congress: "To all to whom these presents shall come. Know Ye

that among the Archives of the United States in Congress Assembled is Lodged An Act and Instrument in the words following:" and at foot: "In testimony whereof the United States have caused their Great Seal to be affixed to this exemplification. Witness Charles Thomson Esquire their Secretary and Keeper of of their Great Seal."

April 18.

Resolutions concerning State Lands and Impost.

404. By the United States in / Congress assembled, / February 17, 1783./

F° pp. 3.

The resolution adopted February 17, for surveying lands; and that of April 18, advising the states to grant power to levy an impost. See under March 6 and March 18. A copy, signed by Thomson, is in the Library of Congress.

April 26.

Address and Recommendations.

405. Address / and / Recommendations / to / The States, / by / The United States in Congress / assembled. / Philadelphia: / Printed by David C. Claypoole. / M,DCC,LXXXIII./

8°. pp. 14, (1), 9, (2), 3, 6, 5, 4, 20.

8°. pp. 14, (1), 9, (2), 3, 6, 5, 4, 26.

There are two editions of this pamphlet, with the difference in collation noted above. They are identical in matter to the ninth page of the last division, where a footnote, partially filling pages 9-16, is added. There are also variations in the composing of the types.

A copy of each edition is in the Library of Congress, the first being in *Hazard Pamphlets*, Vol. 43, No. 14; and also in the *Madison Papers*, Vol. LXXVII, page 2. The other edition is bound separately.

A Circular Letter to the States, on the necessity of raising revenues for the general government, reported by Madison, Ellsworth and Hamilton.

The accompanying papers include an estimate of the national debt; the report by Hamilton, Madison and FitzSimons, Dec. 16, 1782, on the refusal of Rhode Island to agree to the impost; the French and Dutch contracts; the address and petition to Congress from the officers of the Continental Army; the "Newburgh addresses," written by John Armstrong; the report of the convention of officers, March, 1783; and the Congressional resolutions of Sept. 6 and Oct. 10, 1780, Dec. 16, 1782, and Feb. 17, 1783.

"The evidence of Mr. Madison's sentiments at one period is to be found in the address of Congress, of April twenty sixth, seventeen hundred and eighty three, which was planned by him, in conformity to his own ideas, and without any previous suggestions from the committee."

Hamilton to Carrington, May 26, 1792.

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406. Address / and / Recommendation / to / The States, / by / The United States in Congress / assembled. / Philadelphia: Printed 1783. / Boston: Reprinted, / By Order of the Hon. House of Representatives of the / Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1783. /
8°. pp. 62.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

407. Address / and / Recommendations / to / The States, / by / The United States in Congress / assembled. / Philadelphia, Printed: / Hartford: / Re-printed by Hudson & Goodwin, / M,DCC,LXXXIII. /

4°. pp. 50, 31, folding table.

The additional pages are detailed accounts of Connecticut finances.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

408. By order of Congress. / Addresses / and / Recommendations / to the / States, / by the / United States / in Congress assembled. / Philadelphia: / Printed by David C. Claypoole. / London: reprinted / For J. Stockdale, in Piccadilly. / M,DCC,LXXXIII. /

8°. pp. 91, (1)

A copy is in the Library of Congress.

409. Address / and / Recommendations / to / The States, / by / The United States in Congress / Assembled. / Richmond: / Printed by Nicolson and Prentis / M,DCC,LXXXIII. /

8°. pp. 60, and more.

An incomplete copy is in the Library of Congress, Miscellaneous Pamphlets, Vol. 923, No. 5. Missing after page 60.

410. Address / and / Recommendations / to / The States, / by / The United States in Congress / assembled. / Trenton: / Re-Printed by Isaac Collins, / M,DCC,LXXXIII. /

12°. pp. 56.

A copy is in the New Jersey Historical Society.

June 6.

Virginia Land Cession.

See under September 13.

June 18.

See under August 25, No. 412. See also Nos. 421 and 422.

June 24.

Proclamation convening the Congress at Princeton, on account of the mutiny of the Pennsylvania line.

411. By His Excellency, / Elias Boudinot, Esquire, / President of the United States in Congress Assembled. / A Proclamation. / ----- / Philadelphia, Printed by David C. Claypoole.

F°. Broadside.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 34.5 x 28.5 cms.

August 25.

412. His Excellency General Washington's Last Legacy.

[His circular letter of June 18, 1783; and under it his address to President of Congress and reply, August 25, 1783.]

F°. Broadside in four columns. The Congress part runs across the four columns at foot.

A copy is in the Massachusetts Historical Society. It measures 48.3 x 29.8 cms.

September 13.

Report on Virginia Cession of Land.

413. The committee, to whom were referred the act / of the legislature of Virginia, of the 2d of Ja-/nuary, 1781, and the report thereon, report ----- /

F°. 2 ll. (on one side only)

Reported by Rutledge, Ellsworth, Bedford, Gorham and Madison. The original draft is in Rutledge's handwriting.

A copy, with manuscript notes, is in the Library of Congress, *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 30, folio 565. According to the indorsement, it was delivered June 6, 1783, debated June 20, and agreed to September 13.

September 18 and

September 22.

Reports on Indian Affairs.

See under October 15, 1783.

September 22.

Proclamation in re Indian Lands.

414. By the United States in Congress / Assembled, / A Proclamation. / Philadelphia: Printed by David C. Claypoole.

F°. 1 l.

September 25.

Proclamation of Treaty with Sweden.

415. By the United States in Congress Assembled, / A Proclamation / ----- Princeton, September 25th, 1783. Elias Boudinot, President.

F°. Broadside of five columns.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 61 x 46 cms.

October 15.

Report on Indian Affairs.

416. The committee, consisting of Mr. Duane, Mr. / Peters, Mr. Carrol, [sic] Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Lee, / to whom was referred a report on Indian af-/fairs, ---- / ----- / ---- submit the following detail of / facts and resolutions:- /

F°. Broadside of two columns.

A copy with manuscript notes is in the Library of Congress *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 30, folio 193. It measures 48 x 39 cms. The report was delivered September 18, debated, and finally agreed to October 15.

October 15.

Additional Report on Indian Affairs.

417. The committee consisting of Mr. Duane, Mr. Peters, / Mr. Carroll, Mr. Hawkins and Mr. A. Lee, to / whom were referred a report on Indian affairs and the, / several other papers ----- / beg leave to subjoin the following additional instructions / and propositions to their said former report:

F°. Broadside of two columns.

A copy with manuscript notes is in the Library of Congress, *Papers of the Continental Congress*, No. 30, folio 195. It measures 41 x 34 cms. The report was delivered September 22 and agreed to October 15.

October 18.

Thanksgiving-day Proclamation.

418. By the United States in Congress assembled: / A Proclamation. / Whereas it hath pleased the Supreme Ruler of all human Events, to dispose the Hearts of the late belligerent / Powers to put a Period to the Effusion of human Blood, ---- / ----- / Done by the United States in Congress assembled. Witness his Excellency Elias Boudinot, our President, this eighteenth Day of October, in the Year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and Eighty-

three, ---- / ----- / New-London: Printed by Timothy Green,
Printer to the Governor and Company. /

F°. Broadside.

Followed by a proclamation by Governor Trumbull, dated November 7, 1783
A copy is in the Library of Congress. It measures 50 x 38 cms.

This proclamation appoints the second Thursday in December (11th) as a day of
Thanksgiving. Evans notes the original imprint, by Claypoole, Philadelphia;
and also an imprint, Exeter, November 14, 1783, preceded by an order for the
observance of the day in New Hampshire, signed by M. Weare.

November 1.

Resolutions on Congressional Representation.

419. By the United States in / Congress Assembled. / November 1,
1783. /

F°. pp. 2.

A copy is in the Library of Congress, signed by Thomson. It measures 32.5 x
20 cms.

Half-Pay and Commutation.

420. A Collection of Papers, / relative to / Half-Pay / and / Com-
mutation / of / Half-Pay, / Granted By / Congress / to the / Offi-
cers of the Army. / Compiled, / By Permission of His Excellency
General Washington, / from the Original Papers in his Possession. /
Fish-kill: / Printed by Samuel Loudon. / M,DCC,LXXXIII.

8°. pp. 36.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It begins with an extract of a representa-
tion made by General Washington to a Committee of Congress, January 29, 1778,
and closes with a letter from Washington to the President of Congress, June 7,
1783. It includes the various resolutions of Congress during that period, on the
subject of half-pay; the address and petition of the Officers of the Continental
Army, the Newburgh addresses and the report of the Convention of Officers,
1783.

421. A / Collection of Papers / relative to / Half-Pay, / and /
Commutation Thereof, / granted by / Congress / to the / Officers
of the Army. / Together with a / Circular Letter / from / His Ex-
cellency General Washington, / to the several / Legislatures of the
United States. / Boston: / Printed by Order of the General Court /
of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. / M,DCC,LXXXIII.

4°. pp. 24.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. It omits the memorial of the Officers to
Congress, the Newburgh addresses, the report of the Convention of Officers,
and some other papers that are in the Fish-kill publication (No. 420), but contains
General Washington's "last official communication," addressed to Governor
Hancock, and dated: Head-Quarters, Newburgh, June 11th, 1783.

Half-Pay and Commutation; and

Washington's "Last Official Address" to the states.

422. The / Last Official / Address, / of His Excellency / General
Washington, / to the / Legislatures of the United States. / To which
is annexed, / A / Collection of Papers Relative to / Half-Pay, / and
Commutation of / Half-Pay, / Granted by Congress to the / Officers
of the Army. / Hartford: / Printed by Hudson and Goodwin. /
M.DCC.LXXXIII.

8°. pp. 48.

A copy is in the Library of Congress. The "Last Official Address"—a circular letter to all the states—is addressed to Governor Trumbull; and the "Collection of Papers relative to Half-pay" includes the papers printed in the Fish-kill publication, No. 420 above.

Journals. 1782-3.

423. Journal / of the / United States / In Congress Assembled, /
containing / The Proceedings / from / The First Monday in Novem-
ber 1782, / to / The First Monday in November 1783. / Volume
VIII. / Published by order of Congress. / Philadelphia: / Printed
by David C. Claypoole. / M,DCC,LXXXIII.

8°. pp. 483, xxxvi.

A copy is in the Library of Congress.





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