The length to which this correfpondence has extended, only tending to prove that the fatisfactory redrefs, earneftly defired, cannot be obtained, he deems it ufelefs to offer any propofition except the fimple meffage which I fhall now have the honor to deliver.

I have the honor to be,
with great refpect,
Your obedient and very
humble fervant,
W. P. VAN NESS.

Wednefday Morning,
June 27th, 1804.

With this letter, a meffage was received, fuch as was to be expected, containing an invitation, which was accepted, and Mr. P. informed Mr. V. N. he fhould hear from him the next day as to further particulars.

This letter was delivered to general H. on the fame evening, and a very fhort converfation enfued between him and Mr. P. who was to call on him early the next morning for further conference.—When he did fo, gen. Hamilton faid he had not underftood whether the meffage and anfwer was definitely concluded, or whether another meeting was to take place for that purpofe between Mr. P. and Mr. V. N. Under the latter impreffion, and as the laft letter contained matter that naturally led to animadverfion, he gave Mr. P. a paper of remarks in his own hand writing, to be communicated to Mr. V. N. if the ftate of the affair rendered it proper.

In the farther interview with Mr. V. N. that day, after explaining the caufes which had induced gen. Hamilton to fuppofe that the ftate of the affair did not render it improper, he offered this paper to Mr. V. N.—but he declined receiving it, alledging, that he confidered the correfpondence as clofed by the acceptance of the meffage that he had delivered.

Mr. P. informed Mr. V. N. of the inducements mentioned by gen. Hamilton in thofe remarks, for the poftponing the meeting until the clofe of the circuit; and as this was uncertain, Mr. P. was to let him know when it would be convenient.

On Friday the 6th of July, the circuit being clofed, Mr. P. gave this information, and that gen. Hamilton would be ready at any time after the Sunday following. On Monday the particulars were arranged, and the public are but too well acquainted with the fad refult.

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The paper above alluded to is as follows:—

No. II.

Remarks on the letter of June 27, 1804.

Whether the obfervations on this letter are defigned merely to juftify the refult which is indicated in the clofe of the letter, or may be intended to give an opening for rendering any thing explicit which may have been deemed vague heretofore, can only be judged of by the fequel. At any rate it appears to me neceffary not to be mifunderftood. Mr. Pendleton is therefore authorifed to fay that in the courfe of the prefent difcuffion, written or verbal, there has been no intention to evade, defy or infult, but a fincere defire difpofition to avoid extremities if it could be done with propriety. With this view, G. H. has been ready to enter into a frank and free explanation on any and every object of a fpecific nature; but not to anfwer a general and abftract enquiry, embracing a period too long for any accurate recollection, and expofing him to unpleafant criticifms from or unpleafant difcuffions with any and every perfon, who may have underftood him in an unfavorable fenfe. This (admitting that he could anfwer in a manner the moft fatisfactory to col. Burr) he fhould deem inadmiffible, in principle and precedent, and humiliating in practice. To this therefore he can never fubmit. Frequent allufion has been made to flanders faid to be in circulation. Whether they are openly or in whifpers they have a form and fhape, and might be fpecified.

If the alternative alluded to in the clofe of the letter is definitively tendered, it muft be accepted; the time place and manner to be afterwards regulated. I fhould not think it right in the midft of a circuit court to withdraw my fervices from thofe who may have confided important interefts to me, and expofe them to the embarraffment of feeking other counfel, who may not have time to be fufficiently inftructed in their caufe. I fhall alfo want a little time to make fome arrangements refpecting my own affairs.

To be continued.

Philadelphia, July 20.

Capt. Clark, of the fchooner Sukey and Polly, arrived at the Lazaretto, brings information of the defeat of the Haytian army, near St. Domingo, by the French and Spaniards, with the lofs of 2000 men.

WASHINGTON CITY.

MONDAY, JULY 23, 1804.

NEW SERIES OF FEDERAL MISREPRESENTATIONS.

No. XV.

Sick of the unceafing falfehoods and mifreprefentations, with which the federal papers fwarm, we determined to abandon, at leaft for a time, the detection of what we hoped had been difarmed of its capacity of doing injury. In this purpofe we probably fhould have perfifted but for the daring effrontery of the following libel on a citizen, whom the high ftation he holds, no lefs than the dignity of his mind, forbid to notice the low falfehoods by which his reputation is affailed.

From the Evening Poft, of July 6.

'Thofe who affect to feel fuch an enthufiaftic admiration for every paragraph, fentence, line and comma, in the Declaration of Independence, and who lofe no opportunity to extol the prodigious talents and courage of the Immortal Jefferfon, as being the penman, are invited to perufe the following extract from an addrefs to the "King of Great Britain," drawn up by the fame Immortal Jefferfon, only ten months before he, with that fingular confiftency which has always fo happily characterifed him and his writings, drew up the Declaration of Independence.

"Attached to your majefty's perfon, family and government, with all the devotion that principle and affection can infpire, connected with Great Britain by the ftrongeft ties that can unite focieties, and deploring every event that tends in any degree to weaken them, we folemnly affure your majefty that we not only moft ardently defire the former harmony between her and the Colonies may be reftored, but that a concord may be eftablifhed between them upon fo firm a bafis as to perpetuate its bleffings uninterrupted by any future diffentions to fucceeding generations in both countries; and TRANSMIT YOUR MAJESTY'S NAME TO POSTERITY, ADORNED WITH THAT SIGNAL AND LASTING GLORY THAT HAS ATTENDED THE MEMORY OF THOSE ILLUSTRIOUS PERSONAGES WHOSE VIRTUES AND ABILITIES HAVE EXTRICATED STATES FROM DANGEROUS CONVULSIONS, AND BY SECURING HAPPINESS TO OTHERS, HAVE ERECTED THE MOST NOBLE AND DURABLE MONUMENT TO THEIR OWN FAME.

"We beg leave further to affure your Majefty, that notwithftanding the fufferings of your loyal Colonies during the courfe of the prefent controverfy, our breafts retain TOO TENDER a regard for the kingdom from which we derive our origin, to requeft fuch a reconciliation as might in any manner be inconfiftent with her dignity or her welfare. Thefe, related as we are to her, honor and duty, as well as inclination, induce us to fupport, and advance; and the apprehenfions that now opprefs our hearts with unfpeakable grief being once removed, your Majefty will find YOUR FAITHFUL SUBJECTS on this continent, *ready and willing*, at all times, as they have ever been, with their *lives and fortunes to assert and maintain the rights and interests of your Majesty and our Mother country.*"

'We have ventured to fay that the addrefs from which the above extract is taked was penned by Mr. Jefferfon; this, however, is only ftrong conjecture; we believe his title to it is at leaft as good as that to the Declaration. But to place it on the proper footing we may with ftrict truth affert that this addrefs was, at any rate, figned by *Thomas Jefferson*, in his own hand writing; it is preferved on the public records of the country, where it will ever remain incapable of being altered or mifreprefented. Should it be thought proper at the next anniverfary to begin with the Declaration of Independence, we recommend to finifh with the above addrefs; fo that the audience may have as well the reverfe as the face of the medal."

It is on the authority of a friend of Mr. Jefferfon, who has long enjoyed his confidence, & acted with him in many of the important fcenes of the revolution, that we are enabled to declare,

That it is false that Mr. Jefferson ever DREW such a paper as is there ascribed to him.

And that it is likewise false that he ever SIGNED such a paper drawn by another.

Let the Editor of the Evenig Poft refort to the public records of the country—Let him produce them and prove his affertions, or acknowledge their falfehood. Unlefs he does one or the other he will ftand arraigned before the public as the bafe traducer of character, as the propagator of falfehoods.

We will not forego this opportunity of remarking that there is a kind of infuriated malice, with which, on all occafions, the character of Mr. Jefferfon is attacked by this Print, that looks more like perfonal hatred than party violence. There is not a feature of that character allowed to be fair. Candor is ftigmatifed as hypocrify, decifion rafhnefs, and learning pedantry. Becaufe Mr. Jefferfon drew the *Declaration of Independence*, the merits of that fplendid compofition are denied, and no occafion is paffed of denouncing it. It is even denied that Mr. Jefferfon penned it. It ftands on record that he was Chairman of the committee appointed to draw it.—Yet it is contended that his part was but a fubordinate one.

To fatisfy our own curiofity we lately had accefs to the *original draft* of this eloquent inftrument; and to put down forever the falfehoods propagated on this fubject, we fhall ftate the refult of the examination we then made. We viewed attentively the *original draft, presented to Congress, and found it to be in the hand writing of Mr. Jefferson.* We perceived that it was, in the firft inftance, drawn by Mr. Jefferfon; and that it was revifed by his coadjutors on the committee, and fundry alterations fuggefted by them, Dr. Franklin and Mr. Adams, approved. We faw thefe alterations, interlined, and in the hand writing of thofe gentlemen. They are not more than eight or ten; they do not materially vary the original compofition; and, in every inftance, they foften the fpirit of the firft draft. The report afterwards underwent a very flight alteration in Congrefs.

Thus do the ungenerous calumnies of the enemies of our Chief Magiftrate recoil upon themfelves. In attempting to derogate from his merit, they only prove the impotence of their own malice. The part he took in afferting the independence of his country—the foundation of all her greatnefs—is dear to his fellow-citizens, and to the friends of liberty throughout the world. It has covered his brow with a laurel which can never fade, fo long as Americans enjoy freedom, and are fenfible of its bleffings.

LITERARY INTELLIGENCE.

Philadelphia.

We are authorifed to fay, that Meffrs. Conrad and Co. of Philadelphia, are about to publifh a new periodical work, to be named "*The Philadelphia Medical and Physical Journal.*"—A full profpectus of the work, which is to be edited by Dr. BARTON, will be publifhed in due time. In the mean while, it is thought proper to obferve, that the general plan of the work is intended to be fimilar to that of the "Medical Repofitory of New York."—"The London Medical and Phyfical Journal." The Edenburgh "Annals of Medicine," &c.—That the Journal will be publifhed every three or fix months, as may be found moft convenient to the Editor, or moft agreeable to the encourager of the work; and that the firft number or part is already nearly prepared for the prefs.

Thomas Campbell, author of the Pleafures of Hope, is writing at London an Allegorical Poem, illuftrative of a feries of defigns, by one of the Princeffes. The fubject is *Cupid turned Volunteer.*

Roscoe has commenced printing his life of Leo X. It is faid that it will make four volumes quarto.

Southey is engaged on a Hiftory of Portugal.

Walter Scott, editor of the Minftrelfy of the Scottifh Border, and writer of feveral fpirited Poems, is about to publifh a Poetical Romance, called "The Lady of the Minftrel."

Brigade Major Lambton, in the Britifh Eaft-India Company's fervice, has completed the meafurement, in the Eaft Indies, of an acre of the meridian of the earth, fo effential, by a comparifon with fimilar meafurements now carrying on in England and Spain and lately executed in Lapland, for determining the exact dimenfions of the globe. It appears that, by means of a feries of triangle, whofe angles were determined by a large and very accurate theodolite, lately made by Cary, he found the diftance of two ftations, north and fouth of each other, to be 108,777 Englifh miles, and by careful and repeated obfervation of the ftars at each of the ftations, with a zenith fector, made by the late juftly celebrated Ramfden, he found their difference of latitude to be 1,582,342 degrees from which he concludes that one degree on the meridian, or line from north to fouth, whofe middle point is in 12 degrees 32 min. north latitude, is equal to 60,495 Englifh fathoms, or 56,762,8 French toifes. From a feries of triangles at the fame place, in a direction eaft and weft, he finds the length of a degree perpendicular to the meridian, or eaft and weft, to be 61,061 Englifh fathoms, or 57,293,9 French toife.

The Eaft India company have liberally determined to have the triangles extended through feven or eight degrees of latitude for the ftill more accurate determination of the lengths of degrees in thofe latitudes; and this is intended to form the bafis of a furvey of the country, fimilar to the grand furvey of England, carrying on under Major Mudge.

(By Authority.)

AN ACT

Requiring annual licences to be taken out by Ordinary or Tavern Keepers, Retailers, and Hawkers or Pedlars.

Sec. 1. *BE it enacted by the First and Second chambers of the City Council of Washington*, That no tavern or ordinary fhall be kept in the city of Wafhington without an annual licence there for be firft obtained; to continue in force for one year from the date of the fame, and to be annually thereafter renewed, for which licence the perfon obtaining it, fhall pay the fum of fixteen dollars for the ufe of the city.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted*, That every perfon applying for a Tavern or Ordinary Licence, fhall produce to the Mayor good and fatisfactory teftimonial that he or fhe hath fuitable and proper accommodations for travellers or guefts, with at leaft four good feather beds and bedding, and good ftabling for four horfes, over and above what is neceffary for his or her own ufe, or the ufe of his or her own family. And before the licence be granted the Mayor fhall require and receive from the perfon fo applying his or her bond with two citizens approved of by the Mayor as fureties in the penal fum of two hundred and fifty dollars each, conditioned for the keeping of fuch accommodations bedding and ftabling for perfons travelling or guefts, and for keeping an orderly, quiet and peaceable houfe.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That all retailers of wines or fpirituous liquors, other than tavern keepers, who fhall fell the fame in fmaller quantities than ten gallons, fhall take out an annual licence therefor, and for which licence they fhall pay for the ufe of the city the fum of eight dollars, which licence fhall authorife the felling of any fuch quantity not lefs than one pint, and provided the fame is not drank in the houfe or ftore of the perfon having fuch licence.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That every perfon fo obtaining a retail licence, fhall give bond with two citizens approved of by the Mayor as fureties, each in the penal fum of one hundred dollars conditioned for not felling wine or fpirituous liquors in lefs quantities than one pint or fuffering the fame to be drank in the houfe where fold.

Sec. 5. *And be it it enacted*, That for felling liquors in any houfe other than a Tavern, in fmaller quantities than a pint, there fhall be an annual licence firft obtained and for which there fhall be paid twenty dollars for the ufe of the City, and the perfon fo applying for licence, fhall produce to the Mayor the certificate of at leaft fix inhabitants, houfeholders of the fame ward, of the good character of the perfon fo applying, and that they have known him or her at leaft fix months preceding fuch application, on which a licence fhall be granted for one year, and the perfon to whom fuch licence fhall be granted fhall give bond with two citizens approved by the Mayor as fureties in the penal fum of fifty dollars each conditioned for the quiet orderly and peaceable keeping of fuch houfe, and that the keeper thereof will not during the time for which fuch licence fhall be granted, fuffer any perfon or perfons to play any game of cards, dice, or other hazard for money therein, and that he or fhe will no fuffer any apprentice or flave to purchafe and drink any wine or fpirituous liquors in his or her houfe, and that the perfon keeping fuch houfe fhall not on Sunday fell or fuffer to be drank in his or her houfe any wine or fpirituous liquors.

Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That it fhall be the duty of the Regifter on the direction of the Mayor, to make out and record fuch licences and affix the city feal thereto, and whenever he receives the bond hereby required and a certificate from the Treafurer, that the money is paid, he fhall fign the licence and deliver it to the perfon; for which duties he fhall be entitled to receive from the perfon to whom the licence is granted a fee of fixty fix cents.

Sec. 7. *And be it enacted*, That no perfon fhall be required to take out any licence under this act, who may already have obtained one until fuch licence fhall have expired.

Sec. 8. *And be it enacted*, That for every infraction of the provifions of this act there be paid by the perfon committing the fame, or his fureties, the fum of twenty dollars.

Sec. 9. *And be it enacted*, That perfons ufually denominated hawkers and pedlars carrying goods, wares, and merchandizes from place to place in the city, fhall take out annual licence therefor, for which fhall be paid thirty five dollars each licence; and the faid hawkers and pedlars fhall be bound to exhibit to any officer of the corporation at all times when thereto required or demanded the licence obtained as aforefaid.

Sec. 10. *And be it enacted*, That in cafe of the abfence of the Mayor from the city, or in cafe of his indifpofition, it fhall be the duty of the Regifter to grant licences upon applications being made, and the requifites of this act being complied with by the perfons applying.

Sec. 11. *And be it enacted* That fo much of former acts as come within the purview of this act fhall be and the fame is hereby repealed.

SAMUEL H. SMITH,
President of the first chamber of the city council of Washington.
NICHOLAS KING *President of the second chamber of the city council of Washington.*
Approved, July 19th, 1804.
ROBERT BRENT, Mayor.
Teft THOMAS HERTY, Reg.

Valuable Property FOR SALE.

THE subscriber will sell his Plantation adjoining the town of Upper Marlbro' in Prince Georges county, containing eight hundred acres. This plantation is confidered amongft the beft in the neighbourhood it is well adapted to the growth of wheat, Indian corn and fine tobacco, and has a great fufficiency of wood for its fupport. The improvements are a large and commodious dwelling houfe, with every other neceffary buildings for the accommodation of a large and genteel family, all in good repair—There are alfo on the premifes feveral large tobacco houfes, corn houfe, ftables, &c. moft of which are almoft new—As it is prefumed that thofe who are defirous to purchafe would wifh to view the premifes, it is thought unneceffary to be more minute.—A liberal credit will be given. For further particulars apply to Nathaniel Craufurd refiding within eight miles of Wafhington or to the fubfcriber.

DAVID CRAUFURD.
Upper Marlbro July 23—tawtf

☞ The purchafer may be accommodated with negroes, farming utenfils, and ftock of every kind W. C.

NOTICE.

THE Pews in the Gallery of the Proteftant Epifcopal Church, will be offered at Public Sale, at the church on Tuefday the 31ft inft. at 5 o'clock P. M—Payment to be made within 30 days. A plan of the Pews may be feen by applying to Mr. Clement Smith the treafurer at the Bank of Columbia.

Charles Worthington,
William H. Dorfey,
Thomas Corcoran,
Walter S. Chandler,
Walter Smith,
} Truftees.
George Town, July 23—4t

Maryland,—In CHANCERY, July 3, 1804.

Alexander Contee,
versus.
Thomas Johnson, John Mason, Williams Kilty, and Rinaldo Johnson.

THE object of the bill is to obtain a conveyance of certain property conveyed by Rinaldo Johnfon to the other defendants on the 10th day of September eighteen hundred and one in truft for the payment of his debts or to vacate the faid deed, and that they may account for the profits fince the execution of the faid deed.

The bill ftates that the defendant Rinaldo Johnfon has become infolvent and that the complainant has been appointed truftee for the benefit of his creditors—The bill further ftates that the defendants John Mafon & William Kilty refide out of the ftate of Maryland.

It is thereupon adjudged and ordered that the complainant by caufing a copy of this order to be inferted once in each of three fucceffive weeks in fome newfpaper within the territory of Columbia before the 18th day of Auguft next, give notice to the abfent defendants of this application and of the fubftance and object of the bill, that they may be warned to appear here in perfon or by a folicitor of this court, on or before the 18th day of December next, to fhew caufe if any they have, wherefore a decree may not be paffed as prayed.

True copy—Teft
SAMUEL H. HOWARD, R. C. C.
July 20—w3t.