WASHINGTON CITY

MONDAY OCTOBER 17.

There is the greatest probability of a quorum of the two Houses of Congress being formed THIS DAY: in which case it is expected the President will immediately communicate his Message, to avoid the least unnecessary delay.

We again contemplate the interesting spectacle of the convention of the representatives of the people deputed to guard their rights and rule over them in peace. While other nations, without a solitary exception, are governed by men not chosen by the people, the people of the United States enjoy the high dignity and religious conscientiousness of governing themselves, or being governed by men of their own choice. There is no spectacle so earth equal in sublimity to the peaceable and wise manoeuvres of a republican parliament. Let us then, fellow citizens, on this auspicious day, with the most sincere congratulations of a religious complexion, pour out our souls to God, in the most appropriate part of the nation it appeared to though a very bad person had been laid for ruling a formidable class of men, with views different from, and untenable by, the mass of the people, and that the government indicated a disposition to act principally on the former instead of the latter.

Soon after succeeded the memorable treaty of Mr. Jay's negotiation (from the interest that the nation is committed) but still more important to the US as it was on carrying relations with the belligerent powers of Europe, and the power exercised by the senate and the Senate exclusively to make and carry into effect all treaties.

It is unnecessary for us to dwell on the immediate influence of this treaty, the opposition it met with, and the bills lively. It divided us into parties at home, and embroiled our whole foreign relations. Thus while it built up power, and enemies, it weakened our means of resistance. Many of the bills passed, or rather enacted, and continued for several years.

Washington retired from the head of our affairs; and notwithstanding the bitterness of opposition, he left a fabric of the most alarming aspect, laying open to his friends, and to his foes, the state of the nation of revenge, and the fearful feelings of necessary retribution, prepared without preparation. Anxious, however, wanted its fashion, friend and foe of the instrument of its origin. The name of liberty became reproachful, and republicanism was denounced, while the ordinary mere rites for the Deity were both were refused to with an intemperate rashness. Armies were raised and a fashion bill passed. We all know the train of evils that refuted.

Adams succeeded, when in the opinion of some of its warmest friends, the principles were in danger, her passions crisis rouled the nation from its throne, who, with a giant's strength, hurled the party from its seat, and replaced them with her friends. Thomas Jefferson was called to the chair of state, delegacy, and a majority of republicans to the two branches of the legislature.

Peace was the great cause about it tranquility within secured; every government was in freedom of right was taken off; a system of economy was commenced; taxes were lightened; the public debt was paid in an age of rapid discharge. These measures excited vehemence opposition; an attempt was made over and over again to crush the nation against them. But in vain. Reason prevail'd over the force of and they have rapidly gained new accessions. At this day the party of the Friends of Congress are infinitely better. In 1801, the first year of the present administration, the opposition majority in the House of Representatives was twenty-nine. This year it is Eighty-eight. In the year 1801 it was four. This year it is fourteen.

Who is there that feels the spirit that fire their hearts, and feels not the glow on the Country of his rights and the fidelity of his country? Who is there of the character, who does not feel proud in comparing his Friends with those of the party of a monarchy? Of the events of the ensuing fellow we retrain at perfect from trying any thing. Their acquaintance has attracted an universal fondness, which will be long gratified by amplifications for days.

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October 17, 1803.

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THOMAS WEST.

August 29.

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THOMAS TOLLARD.