

# NEW-JERSEY GAZETTE.

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## Votes and proceedings of the tenth general assembly of the state of New-Jersey.

BEING THE THIRD SITTING.

(Continued from our last.)

**A**PETITION from James Linn, esquire, of the county of Somerset, praying, for reasons therein contained, that a law may be passed to divorce him from his wife Mary, was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. A. Clark, from the committee appointed to confer with Walter Mould, Thomas Goadby and Albion Cox, on the subject of their proposals for striking a copper coin in the state of New-Jersey, reported as follows:

THAT they have held the conference for which they were appointed, and have agreed with Mr. Mould, in behalf of himself and his associates, on either of the conditions following, as may be most agreeable to the legislature:

First, That said persons, if authorized to coin a sum in coppers, not to exceed ten thousand pounds, will engage to coin that sum and no more, and to pay one eleventh part thereof to the state; or,

Secondly, If they shall be permitted to coin any greater sum than the ten thousand pounds, to be limited by persons authorized for that purpose, who may stop such coinage whenever a sum shall be coined to as large an amount as will pass current without depreciation; they will engage to coin at least ten thousand pounds, and to pay to the state one tenth part of all the sums they may coin; which several conditions are submitted to the house.

By order of the committee,  
ABRAHAM CLARK.

The house taking the above report into consideration,  
*Ordered*, That Mr. Mould and his associates, have leave to bring in a bill agreeably to the last mentioned condition.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, 'an act to alter part of a road called George's Road, in the county of Middlesex, leading from New-Brunswick to Cranberry,' was read and compared;

*Resolved unanimously*, That the same do pass.

The engrossed bill, intitled, 'a supplement to the act, intitled, an act for the election of members of the legislative-council and assembly, sheriffs and coroners of the state of New-Jersey, and of delegates to represent the said state in the Congress of the United States,' was read and compared; on the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Terhune, Blauvelt, Garriffe, A. Clark, Combs, Schuurman, Bonney, Schenck, Stillwell, Bunn, Blair, Kelley, R. S. Smith, Biddle, J. Smith, Cooper, T. Clark, Davis, Sinnickson, Hall, Holme, Baker, Whilden, Starke, Arnold, Burgin, Sheppard, Hankinson, Beardlee, Longstreet.

Nays. Messrs. Marsh, Lambert, Houghton.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bills.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Garriffe do carry the said bills to the council for concurrence.

The petition from James Linn, esquire, of the county of Somerset, praying, for reasons therein contained, that a law may be passed to divorce him from Mary his wife, was read a second time; whereupon,

*Ordered*, That he be heard before the house on Wednesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, with his witnesses, to prove the charges set forth in his petition; and that he serve his wife Mary with a copy of his petition, and a copy of this order, at least four days previous thereto, and that she have liberty to appear and defend herself against the charges in the said petition exhibited.

Messrs. Blauvelt, Sinnickson, Hall, Holme, Cooper and Lambert, having been severally called upon by the speaker for their reasons for not attending this house at the time appointed, did give their reasons accordingly, which were deemed satisfactory.

Mr. Garriffe reported, that he had obeyed the order of the house.

Mr. Marsh, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioners, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, 'an act for the establishment of a coinage of copper in this state;' which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill, intitled, 'an act for the relief of Adam Green and John Hull, of Hardwick, in the county of Sussex,' was read a second time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Perth-Amboy, Woodbridge and Piscataway, in the county of Middlesex, praying that an impost may be laid upon goods imported into this state through any of the neighbour-

ing states; and that such measures may be taken as will most effectually encourage agriculture, manufactures and trade, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine of the clock.

Thursday, May 25, 1786.

The house met.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, praying that stage-waggons may be taxed, and that the proceeds of the taxes may be appropriated to the repair of the roads, was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of New-Brunswick and its vicinity, praying for the conveniency of futers in the supreme court of judicature of this state, that the court may be held alternately in the eastern and western parts of the state, was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, 'an act for the relief of Adam Green and John Hull, of Hardwick, in the county of Sussex,' was read and compared; on the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Terhune, Nicoll, Garriffe, A. Clark, Marsh, Schuurman, Bonney, Schenck, Stillwell, Bunn, Blair, Kelley, R. S. Smith, J. Smith, Davis, Holme, Lambert, Houghton, Baker, Cook, Starke, Arnold, Burgin, Sheppard, Hankinson, Longstreet.

Nays. Messrs. Blauvelt, Combs, Biddle, Cooper, T. Clark, Sinnickson, Hall, Whilden, Bowen.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the said bill.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Marsh do carry the said bill to council for concurrence.

A petition from the justices and chosen freeholders of the county of Hunterdon, praying that a law may be passed to make provision in the several counties for their necessary trouble and expences in transacting the business of the county, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Marsh, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, intitled, 'an act for making partition of a tract of land in Essex county, commonly called Ashfield's tract,' reported the same with sundry amendments, which were read, and, having been further amended in the house, was ordered to be engrossed.

A petition from Joseph Lewis, esquire, of the county of Morris, praying that James Schuurman, Ellis Cook, and Robert Blair, esquires, members of this house, may be appointed as referees to settle and ascertain the balance due to the state from him, as a contractor and paymaster of the said county, in an action now depending in the supreme court; and that their report be returned to the supreme court, on which judgment may be entered, and execution issue accordingly.

*Ordered*, That the said petition be read a second time.

A message from the council by Mr. M. Ogden.  
Council-chamber, May 24, 1786.

*Ordered*,

THAT Mr. Ogden do carry to the house of assembly the bill, intitled, 'an act for building a courthouse and gaol in the county of Gloucester, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' with the amendments made thereto by this house, and request their concurrence in said amendments.

Which bill, with the amendments, was read, and the amendments being agreed to,

*Ordered*, That the said bill be re-engrossed with the amendments.

A petition from William Leddle, esquire, accompanied with proposals for coining of coppers, was read; whereupon,

The bill, intitled, 'an act for the establishment of a coinage of copper in this state,' was read a second time, debated, and ordered to be engrossed.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The re-engrossed bill, intitled, 'an act for building a courthouse and gaol in the county of Gloucester, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' was read and compared;

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Marsh do carry the said bill to the council, and acquaint them that the same is passed by this house with their amendments.

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Hopewell, in the county of Cumberland, and a petition of Ann Pemberton, accompanied with a bill, intitled, 'an act to enable Ann Pemberton, widow and administratrix of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits, of Joseph Pemberton, late of West river, in the state of Maryland, deceased, who was the eldest son and heir at law of Israel Pemberton, late of the city of Philadelphia, in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, also deceased, to fulfil certain contracts se-

verally made by the same Israel Pemberton and Joseph Pemberton, for the sale of certain lands in the county of Cumberland, in the state of New-Jersey,' and praying that the said bill be passed; which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

A petition from Isaac Dewit and others, of the county of Sussex, praying that a law may be passed to grant the said Isaac Dewit the liberty of keeping a ferry across the Delaware, at Greenwich, in the county of Sussex, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Marsh reported, that he had obeyed the order of the house.

The bill, intitled, 'an act to discourage the keeping of dogs, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' was read a second time, and committed to messrs. R. S. Smith and Cook.

A message from the council by Mr. Randolph.  
Council-chamber, May 25, 1786.

*Ordered*,

THAT Mr. Randolph do wait on the house of assembly, and acquaint them that the bill, intitled, 'an act to alter part of the road called George's Road, in the county of Middlesex, leading from New-Brunswick to Cranberry,' is passed by this house without amendment.

A petition from captain John Mercer in behalf of himself and the other officers of the company he commands, praying that the officers of his company may be allowed by the state a reasonable compensation for their trouble and expences in recruiting their company, was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. A. Clark, with leave, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, 'an act more fully to empower the justices and chosen freeholders in the several counties in this state, to call to account county collectors for money and other publick property by them received,' which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine of the clock.

Friday, May 26, 1786.

The house met.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Terhune have leave of absence. The engrossed bill, intitled, 'an act for the establishment of a coinage of copper in this state,' was read and compared; on the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Blauvelt, Nicoll, Garriffe, A. Clark, Marsh, Combs, Schuurman, Bonney, Schenck, Stillwell, Bunn, Blair, Kelley, R. S. Smith, J. Smith, Cooper, T. Clark, Davis, Holme, Lambert, Houghton, Baker, Whilden, Bowen, Sheppard, Hankinson, Beardlee, Longstreet.

Nays. Messrs. Biddle, Sinnickson, Hall, Cook, Starke, Arnold, Burgin.

*Ordered*, That the speaker do sign the same.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Combs do carry the said bill to the council for concurrence.

A message from the council by Mr. Holmes.  
Council-chamber, May 26, 1786.

*Ordered*,

THAT Mr. Holmes do wait on the house of assembly, and acquaint them that the bill, intitled, 'an act for striking and making current one hundred thousand pounds in bills of credit, to be let out on loan, and directing the mode for sinking the same,' is passed by this house without amendment.

Mr. R. S. Smith, from the committee to whom was committed the bill, intitled, 'an act to discourage the keeping of dogs, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' reported the same with sundry amendments and the following title, to wit, 'an act to discourage the keeping of dogs;' which bill was debated, further amended, and ordered to be engrossed.

The speaker laid before the house a letter from the auditor of accounts, accompanied with a letter from Benjamin Thompson, commissioner for accounts of New-Jersey to the auditor, and a copy of his letter to the commissioner in answer thereto; and desiring that some one or more persons be appointed by the state, to assist in making a settlement of the accounts of this state with the commissioner of the United States;

*Ordered*, That the said letters be committed to messrs. R. S. Smith, Schuurman and Marsh, to report thereon to the house.

The bill, intitled, 'an act to enable Ann Pemberton, widow and administratrix of all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Joseph Pemberton, late of West river, in the state of Maryland, deceased, who was the eldest son and heir at law of Israel Pemberton, late of the city of Philadelphia, also deceased, to fulfil certain contracts severally made by the same Israel Pemberton and Joseph Pemberton, for the sale of certain lands in the county of Cumberland, in the state of New-Jersey,' was read a second time, and committed to messrs. Sheppard and Bowen.

A petition from capt. Thomas Combs, of the county of Middlesex, was read, accompanied with an ac-

count against the state, and praying payment, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from Isaac Collins, printer to the state, was read, praying a permanent appointment as printer by law, for such a length of time, and under such regulations as to the legislature should seem meet, and that he may have leave to present a bill for that purpose;

Ordered, That the petitioner have leave to present a bill agreeably to the prayer of his petition.

The house adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

The house met.

The engrossed bill, intitled, 'an act for making partition of a tract of land in Essex county, commonly called Ashfield's tract,' was read and compared; on the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Blauvelt, Nicoll, Garritte, A. Clark, Marsh, Combs, Schuurman, Bonney, Schenck, Stillwell, Bunn, Blair, Kelley, R. S. Smith, Biddle, J. Smith, Davis, Houghton, Baker, Whilden, Cook, Starke, Burgin, Bowen, Sheppard, Hankinson, Beardlee, Longstreet.

Nays. Messrs. Cooper, Hall.

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the said bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Schuurman do carry the said bill to the council for concurrence.

Mr. Nicoll, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioner, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, 'an act for enabling Nicholas Lezeir to erect and maintain a mill and the necessary waterworks for improving the same, on and near Hackinack river, in the county of Bergen, and state of New-Jersey;' which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, intitled, 'an act to discourage the keeping of dogs,' was read and compared; on the question, whether the same do pass? It was carried in the affirmative, as follows:

Yeas. Messrs. Nicoll, A. Clark, Marsh, Schuurman, Bonney, Walton, Schenck, Stillwell, Blair, Kelley, R. S. Smith, J. Smith, Davis, Sinnickson, Houghton, Baker, Whilden, Starke, Arnold, Bowen, Sheppard.

Nays. Messrs. Blauvelt, Garritte, Combs, Bunn, Biddle, Cooper, T. Clark, Hall, Holme, Lambert, Cook, Burgin, Hankinson, Beardlee, Longstreet.

Ordered, That the speaker do sign the same.

Ordered, That Mr. Schuurman do carry the said bill to council for concurrence.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the sergeant at arms informed the house he had obeyed their orders of the 23d inst. that Nathaniel Farrand was in his custody, and that he had subpoenaed the witnesses named in the said order, who were also attending in town;

Ordered, That the said Nathaniel Farrand be brought before the house, who being called appeared, was examined on the charges exhibited against him; and the following evidences were called, sworn and examined, to wit, John Tucker, Jonas Wade and Aaron Winans;

Ordered, That the consideration of the above charges be postponed till to-morrow morning.

Ordered, That the sergeant at arms take into his custody and safely keep the bodies of Nathaniel Farrand, Jacob Winans and Aaron Winans, until discharged from his custody by order of this house.

Mr. R. S. Smith, agreeably to leave given, and in behalf of the petitioner, presented the draught of a bill, intitled, 'an act for appointing a public printer to the state of New-Jersey, and for declaring the credit and authenticity of all such acts and proceedings, as shall be printed and published by him, under the direction of the legislative-council and general assembly, or of either of them, or of the joint-meeting;' which bill was read, and ordered to be referred to the next session.

A petition from Jonas Ward, an insolvent debtor, confined in the gaol of the county of Essex, praying that a law may be passed to relieve him from confinement, was read, and referred to the committee appointed to bring in a supplement to the act for the relief of insolvent debtors.

The house adjourned till to-morrow morning nine of the clock.

Saturday, May 27, 1786.

The house met.

A petition from the justices and freeholders of the county of Somerset, praying that the forty-first section of the bill, intitled, 'an act for regulating roads and bridges,' may be repealed, was read, and referred to the next sitting.

Mr. A. Clark, from the committee appointed to join the committee of council in joint conference, reported.

THAT the said joint-committees have had several conferences, and agreed to report to the respective houses as follows:

1st, That it is the opinion of the committee a tax of £. 10,419 15 0 be levied for the present year, to be paid into the treasury on or before the 20th day of December next, and when received to be applied in addition to the revenue money towards discharging the present year's interest on the continental debt due to the citizens of this state, and that the bills now in circulation, called revenue bills, be made a legal tender.

2d, That the confiscated lands, and the publick barracks, in this state be sold as soon as convenient towards discharging the state debt; and that in such sale credit be given, and payment in state securities be made, at executing the deeds, previous to the purchasers taking possession of the purchased premises.

3d, That a revenue be raised by an impost and excise.

By order of the committee,

ABRAHAM CLARK.

To which report the house agreed.

Whereupon,

Ordered, That messrs. Schuurman and Cook be a committee to bring in a bill to raise by tax the sum of £. 10,419 15 0, and for making the present revenue

money a legal tender, agreeably to the first paragraph in the said report.

Ordered, That messrs. R. S. Smith, Sinnickson and Combs, be a committee to prepare and present a bill agreeably to the second paragraph in the said report.

Ordered, That messrs. A. Clark, Sinnickson, Sheppard, R. S. Smith, Schuurman and Blair, be a committee to bring in a bill to raise a revenue agreeably to the third paragraph of the said report.

The house resumed the consideration of the charges exhibited against Nathaniel Farrand; whereupon,

Ordered, That a suit be instituted by the attorney-general of this state against Jacob Winans, for receiving the amount of three surplus certificates given by Nathaniel Farrand, to the use of said Jacob Winans, one of which was to Nathaniel Pike, for £. 627 2 2, the other two payable to John Tucker, for the above sum of £. 627 2 2 each, for which it appears the said Farrand received no originals, and that the auditor deliver the attorney-general all the papers in his possession necessary for the prosecution.

Ordered, That the sergeant at arms attend Nathaniel Farrand to his house, and receive from him all the certificates with the books and vouchers in his possession, containing accounts of the receipts or issues of certificates, giving a receipt therefor if required, and return the said Farrand in custody to this place. Also, ordered, that Nathaniel Farrand deliver to the sergeant at arms all the publick certificates and papers in his possession.

(To be continued.)

## American Intelligence.

ST. JAGO DE LA VEGA, April 20.

A LETTER from Liverpool mentions, the Princess Royal Guineaman being returned to that port, having disposed of her slave cargo at the Spanish Island of Trinidad; the captain of a French vessel then at anchor there, agreed for the purchase of 150 of them, which were accordingly delivered, and payment was to be made by him in dollars the following day; but the honest purchaser unobserved weighed anchor and took French leave in the night; in the morning the Princess Royal went in pursuit of the villain, but returned without success, he having got clear off with his booty.—This may be considered as a new species of swindling!

NEW-YORK, June 26.

The Jamaica papers contain great complaints of the bad situation of the commerce of that island. They state that a certain loss attends the shipping of produce: that bills cannot be had without a very large premium; and that a great part of their remittances must be made in specie, to the impoverishment of the inhabitants; and that nine boxes of silver and five of gold, were ready to be shipped off from one mercantile house in Kingston.

Yesterday arrived at this port from Charleston, South-Carolina, the brig Mercury, captain Tinker, after a passage of eight days.—A short time previous to the sailing of this vessel, a dreadful fire broke out in Broad-street, in that city, which consumed a number of capital buildings, and destroyed property to a considerable value.

The celebrated Doctor Moyes has bid adieu to the American continent. He lately sailed from Charleston, South-Carolina, on board the ship Amelia, bound from that port to London.

We learn from Augusta, in Georgia, that the late disturbances with the Creek Indians have subsided for the present, they having disappeared.

The honourable JOHN SULLIVAN, esquire, is chosen president of the state of New-Hampshire, for the ensuing year.

Extract of a letter from Charleston (S. C.) May 18.

"Tuesday last arrived here from Savannah, the sloop Sally, captain Isaacs.—In her was brought prisoner, the post-rider, that lately alleged he was robbed on his way from this city to Savannah, doubts being entertained as to the truth of the tale which he told."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in London to his friend in Halifax, dated March 20, 1786.

"With respect to your part of the globe, where, free from the disquieting sensations which this populous town occasions, you breathe the breath of freedom, and have reason to look forward to future prosperity, government are determined to secure the carrying trade. By orders issued in council, in pursuance of an act passed the session before last, all American vessels were prohibited to load or to be unladen at any of our West-India ports. This prohibition has proved so salutary to our navigation, that this session it has been continued. It has been declared and proved, that British bottoms, navigated according to law, have entirely carried on the commerce between the West-Indies and the United States; and that as great an importation of American commodities to the West-Indies has taken place since the war, as in any seven years, upon an average, before the war.

"It has been attended likewise with another great benefit—The supply of the West-Indies with Newfoundland fish, &c. in British bottoms, which has already employed about 400 ships, and thereby makes an increase of about 4000 seamen. The confining the supply of bread, flour and live stock, to actual British-built ships to Newfoundland, must gall your independent neighbours, as much as it will advantage our marine. Surely if all these advantages should continue or increase, and Nova-Scotia and Canada in time be enabled to supply the West-India islands with provisions, &c. the wealth that will thereby arise to the colonies and this country will be immense, and place you in a more profitable way, and attended with more advantages than America could ever have

been in. Besides, past experience will teach the colonies to behave liberally and ingenuously towards this country; and this country will learn, that to promote and invigorate their general welfare, whatever measures are intended to be adopted, must be begun with, and afterwards steadily adhered to.

"I have thus touched upon the two greatest things in this country—finance and commerce, which imply every advantage, strength and respectability we can enjoy; and you will observe from what I have wrote, (which is all from very good authority) that if these plans succeed, this country can by no means be said to be in a declining situation.

"I am very much pleased to hear that so many of the Nantucket people intend settling at Dartmouth. What an influx of wealth and advantage will they be to you! I understand that France had contracted to take, and they had agreed to sell, a very large quantity of oil, while they were under the Congress; but I should imagine their becoming British subjects will invalidate the bargain—for they will always find a market in England for all the oil they can furnish."

Extracts of letters from Jamaica, April 22.

"The ship Pimento, Freeman, from New-York, has been seized at Port Antonio this week, by Daniel Flowerdew, esquire, also the brig Sophia, Griffin, by his majesty's ship Iphigonia, at Spring Garden wharf, in the parish of St. George's."

April 20. "Saturday last, at a court of vice-admiralty held at Spanish-Town, the ship Brothers, belonging to Isaac Laicelles Winn, esquire, and the brig Royal Midshipman, American property, with their cargoes, lately seized by Daniel Flowerdew, esquire, were libelled for a breach of the laws of trade, and, after a long hearing, were both condemned."

May 6. "The brig Betsey, captain M'Clean, which arrived from Baltimore yesterday, was immediately taken possession of by Daniel Flowerdew, esquire."

"We hear that a vessel from North-America, with forty horses on board, is seized at Savanna la Mar, by the officers of the port."

By accounts from Stratford, in Connecticut, we are informed that the right reverend bishop Seabury has lately ordained several candidates for holy orders in the Episcopal church; and at the town of Stratford near four hundred persons were confirmed by the bishop, agreeably to the Rubrick in the church of England's liturgy.

Captain Hazelden of the ship Betsey, on the 13th instant, in lat. 36. 9. long. 68. 0. spoke the ship Grace, captain Armour, from this port for Amsterdam, five days out, all well.

On account of the league offensive and defensive, between France and Holland, the following medal has been struck:

A woman representing Holland, seated on a throne, the Batavian lion by her side, armed with seven arrows, a symbol of the Belgic Union, alluding to the peace concluded with the emperor; Holland offering the olive to a nymph of the *Escaut*: Renown appears in the air, blowing a trumpet, and streamer ornamented with the fleur de lis. In the centre is a garland, forming a civic crown supported by two hands, with several other symbolical figures. On the exergue is,

Duplici federe salva

THE LEGEND.

8 Nov. Pace cum Romano Imperatore.

10 Eijsd. Federe cum Rege Gallia initis.

On the reverse is a Mercury, with his attributes, and the following inscription:

Gratis animi monumentum illustrissimis bujus difficulti negotii profectis dicatum, quibusdam civibus mercatoribus Amstelodamensibus.

M. DCC. LXXXVI.

Extract of a letter from the administrators of the French colony of Hispaniola, dated Port-au-Prince, 7th May, 1786.

"A great drought has prevailed in this colony for months, and all kind of provisions for slaves are as dear as they are scarce. We foresee that the scarcity will last some months more, because all the subsistence which was kept in store will soon be consumed, as the dryness has not permitted to raise or plant any.—Cargoes of corn, pease, beans, rice, potatoes, and all kind of provisions for slaves, will certainly give a benefit to the importer."

RICHMOND, June 15.

On Saturday last as the two Mr. Geters were returning home from Port-Royal, there came on a very severe shower of rain, which induced them to take shelter under a large oak. They had not remained there long, before the tree was struck with lightning, which killed both them and their horses upon the spot.

June 22. Saturday last a negro woman in this city was delivered (in the space of an hour) of three fine children; what was very remarkable, they had nearly a full set of teeth: since which they have died; the mother is likely to do well.

Last week several negroes belonging to Mr Hartwell Meacon, of New-Kent, took shelter in a barn from a severe shower of rain; they had not remained long in it before a whirlwind blew it down, and wounded five of them.

The Bermuda papers informs us, that most of the West-India islands are so well stocked at present with flour, that superfine will not fetch above five dollars per barrel.

PHILADELPHIA, June 17.

Extract of a letter from Pittsburg, dated May 27, 1786.

"Alface, a principal chief of the Seneca nations, on his arrival in town, having heard of some depredations committed by the Indians down the river Ohio, on the white inhabitants, requested a council with the commanding officer of the garrison, captain Armstrong, which being granted.—

Present, captain Armstrong, and a number of the gentlemen inhabitants of the town, Lea and Alface, chief of the Seneca nation, with a considerable number of Indians of his, and others of the six nations, Alface spoke as follows—

*Brothers,*

We are all very glad to see you, but are sorry to hear that some blood has been shed down the river; this we cannot help, 'tis none of our faults, but up the water you have nothing to fear, we and all our people are hunting about there, where we expect to stay two years if you will let us remain peaceably, and all the skins our young men get we will give to you for such articles as we want, for our brothers have sold you this ground, and we are satisfied, and want to live in peace.

*Captain Armstrong—Brothers,*

I am very happy to find you peaceably inclined; I am informed that Halftown is gone to Niagara; I would wish to know upon what errand he is gone there, and also, I want you to tell me what the British have said to you since you were here last.

*Alface,*

Sir John Johnston, last year, requested that one chief of the six nations would come and meet him at Niagara, where he will be in about three weeks, and he would tell us what had been whispered in his ears; he is going to kindle a large council there, though I don't know what he wants: but I will not go, for I have left my word at Fort-Pitt, we are ready at any time to receive the corn of you that you promised us, and we wish you would give us something to eat, for we have come a long way, and we are very hungry.

*Captain Armstrong,*

You shall have something to eat and drink this evening, and to-morrow you shall have the corn, when I expect you'll go to your homes—I advise you to live in peace and be industrious in planting your corn and hunting: don't mind nor believe what the British tell you, they will speak lies to you, and lead you astray; you are now become our people; we are your friends, and we will protect you and wish to live in friendship.—When Halftown returns, I request you and him to come down, and let me know all the British has said to him; he is one of your people, and I always thought him a very good man; I will also give you a little powder and lead to hunt with.

*Alface,*

We all thank you heartily for your kindness to us; brother, we want to know if you have heard any thing from our friend the Cornplanter, since he went to your great council?

*Answer,*

Yes, the great council of the United States and him and his people with him, have met and talked together in the greatest friendship; they have made them many fine presents; this is the man that informs us, (pointing to major Finley) who saw the Cornplanter in New-York, less than three weeks ago; they were all very well then, and must now be on their return home.

*Alface,*

Brother, here stands two young men who have been hunting up the river, and while they were out, some of your people came to their camp and stole every thing they had, above one hundred broaches, many skins, some kettles, powder and lead; they are good, quiet men, and 'tis very hard upon them; you see they have no clothes; I would be very glad you could give them something to cover them; we do not want to do mischief, we could steal your horses and rob your people, but we are not disposed to do such things, for it is not right amongst friends.

*Captain Armstrong,*

I am very sorry to hear our people should be so wicked as to steal from you, but there are some bad men amongst us; if you can find any bad men doing such things, don't hurt them, but bring them to me, and they shall be severely punished for it, send these two men to me to-morrow, and I will give each of them a blanket and a pair of leggins.

They returned thanks, and the council broke up. The commotions at Wyoming, which had so much the appearance of hostility and war, are, it is hoped, happily terminated in consequence of the interposition of Congress; who have generously offered to cede a large tract of territory in one of the new states, to the Susquehanna company in Connecticut, on condition that they relinquish their pretensions to the Wyoming claims. And, it is asserted, the delegates from that state have pledged themselves in Congress, that the propositions will be accepted, and peace and tranquillity prevail.

Captain Baker, of the brig Hector, from Hispaniola, informs, that in his passage to Port-au-Prince, due north from Cape St. Nicholas, in the lat. 20. 28. he fell in with a reef of rocks, which he discovered by the breakers upon them. These rocks are not laid down in any chart or draft, and appear to be hitherto unknown.

Captain Baker reports, that on the 1st of May,

several sailers arrived at Port-au-Prince, who said they belonged to the brig Nancy, capt. House, from this port, who was cast away on the south east end of Hispaniola about the 24th April.—Vessel and cargo lost.

June 21. A certain Peter Belin, of South-Carolina, has with much labour, attention, hazard and expence, discovered and introduced into that state, three several principles of water-works; one to overflow with water the surface of any tract of land, twenty-six feet (or more) above the level of any river or water course, at a cheap, easy and expeditious rate. Another, to drain funken or low overflowed lands down to any depth, and to throw water up to any height, from one to two hundred feet perpendicular. And also, a certain other machine, that will in eighteen months or two years at farthest, freshen any salt marsh land, so as to make it fit for the culture of any kind of produce, suitable for the climate of Carolina, and at the same time to beat out rice to grind, or saw lumber in a certain, regular, constant and easy manner: all of which are constructed upon plain, easy and simple principles, and may be built at a moderate expence, and will be of great utility.

The legislature of South-Carolina have vested in him the sole and executive right and liberty of erecting, building, constructing and vending within that state, the said three several water-works, during the term of fourteen years.

A letter from a gentleman of eminence in the state of Connecticut, who has lately made an excursion far down the Ohio river, to his friend in Chesterfield, dated May 15, 1786, says, "I assure you I am as fully impressed with the excellency of the western country, in point of soil, beneficial commercial views, and salubrity of climate, as any man who has been there—no good has ever been said of it which it does not deserve—our treaty has succeeded as well as we could expect—the Indians appear satisfied, and have agreed to attend the surveyors if called for—the danger, in my opinion, (if any should be) will not arise from the hostile disposition of the Indians; but from the interest and inclination of the frontiers to provoke them to hostilities.—If settlements are made upon the plan of your association, I believe all will be well—I am a subscriber, and shall forward it, with some alteration, it will be a good system, and prevail—when I have an opportunity of seeing you or some of your friends in your region, I will communicate all I know on the subject—I wish the association succeeds, and shall most heartily join any proper measures for securing and settling that country."

June 28. Sunday morning last the criminals confined in the gaol in this city, attempted an escape, by forcing the iron door leading into an apartment occupied by Mr. Reynolds, the gaoler. About eighty of them having assembled in the passage running from the east to the west end of the gaol, and each being armed with a knife and a stone, some of the most daring with an ax knocked off the lock which secured the said gate, notwithstanding the assistance to the gaol keeper fired several shot at them; and they would in all probability have effected their purpose had not the invalid guard been called, when the villains, being warned to desist, and receiving this advice with the greatest contempt, the guard fired on them, by which Michael Flaherty, one of the principals was killed, another received a ball in his thigh, and six were afterwards slightly wounded with bayonets. Upon seeing this they fled to their apartments.

It appeared that a plot had been previously laid, as they were employed during the affair in different parts of the gaol, to accomplish their end, some by climbing the walls of the prison yard, others by calling the attention of the keepers to the main gate.

As soon as Flaherty received the ball he ran about twenty yards, then fell, and died about five minutes after. He was an old offender, being committed for various crimes.

Tuesday fennight, some rogues got into the store of captain Blewer, near messrs. Willing, Morris and Swanwick's wharf; from whence they took about fifty pounds worth of chandlery goods. They got admittance by picking several locks, at which business the villains must have been very expert, as no force appeared to have been used in any part of the store.

## TRENTON, July 3.

To-morrow will be the commencement of the 11th year of American independence.

On Friday last came on the quarterly examination of the grammar school at the academy in this place, which was honoured with the presence of a number of very respectable characters, who expressed their approbation of the manner in which the students in general performed their parts, and particularly of the spirit of emulation which appeared conspicuously in a number of them.

The particular attention which has been paid to the English language in this institution, was exemplified in the readiness of the answers, from a very large

class, to a variety of critical questions, which were proposed to them in that very necessary but too much neglected branch of education.

In the evening the young gentlemen exhibited specimens of their abilities in publick speaking, before a numerous and polite assembly, in which they acquitted themselves to great satisfaction.

We hear from Burlington, where a court of oyer and terminer and general gaol delivery sat the last week, that the two villains, who some time ago near Mount-Holly robbed and cut off the hand of Clement Terry, of Bucks county, Pennsylvania, as is mentioned in this paper, No. 411, have been convicted and received sentence of death. Their execution is ordered for Saturday the 15th of this instant.

We are credibly informed, that the insect which has destroyed the wheat upon Long-Island, and other parts of the state of New-York, is now laying waste whole fields in the eastern parts of this state.—Our informant also says, that upon Long-Island, a number of the farmers have lately substituted the bearded wheat instead of the bald or common kind, which the insect does not affect.

The Journals of the last sitting of the legislative-council of this state are printed, and ready for delivery.

### EXTRAORDINARY ANECDOTE.

DURING the troubles in the reign of Charles I. a country girl came to London in search of a place as a servant maid; but not succeeding, she applied herself to carry out beer from a brew-house, and was one of those then called tub-women. The brewer observing a well looking girl in this low occupation, took her into his family as a servant, and after a while married her; but he died while she was yet a young woman, and left her a large fortune.—The business of the brewery was dropped, and the young widow was recommended to Mr. Hyde, as a gentleman of skill in the law, to settle her husband's affairs. Hyde (who was afterwards the great earl of Clarendon) finding the widow's fortune very considerable, married her: of this marriage there was no other issue than a daughter, who was afterwards the wife of James II. and mother of Mary and Anne, queens of England.

### T O B E S O L D,

FOR want of employ only, a negro wench, about twenty-two years of age, very handy for any sort of house work, and a good spinner. Any person inclining to purchase is desired to apply to the subscriber, in Maidenhead, at the mills formerly John Rossell's.

JONATHAN HUTCHINSON.

July 1, 1786.

2W\*

### T O B E S O L D,

Cheap for specie, Pennsylvania or New-Jersey revenue money,

BY the subscriber, at his store on the second wharf below Market-street, excellent

### T A U N T O N A L E,

In hampers of three dozen each,

A L S O,

A few bladders of prime SNUFF, of Hayne's make.

PEARSON HUNT.

Philadelphia, June 24, 1786.

4W\*

Gloucester county, state of New-Jersey, July 1, 1786.

Publick notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern,

THAT the subscribers John Porch and Patrick Flanningham, in pursuance of an act of the legislature of the state of New-Jersey, made and passed at Trenton, on the 8th day of October, Anno Domini 1782, intitled, 'an act for the relief of persons who have lost their deeds and other instruments of writing containing the title of their lands, intend to apply to the supreme court of judicature, of the state of New-Jersey, to be held at Trenton, or where-ever the same court shall be held, on the second Tuesday in November next, to remedy the loss of the following deeds or instruments of writing, concerning their title to twenty-five acres of cedar swamp, in Deptford township, in the county of Gloucester, being part of a larger tract formerly surveyed to one Henry Roe, deceased.

1. A deed from the said Henry Roe to Benjamin Cheefman, in fee for the aforesaid twenty-five acres of cedar swamp.

2. A deed from the same Cheefman for the same twenty-five acres to James Collins in fee.

3. A deed from said Collins to John Lewis in fee, for the lands last aforesaid, who by his last will devised the said twenty-five acres to Peter Mancape in fee.

4. A Deed from Peter Mancape to Joseph Cowgill, for the same twenty-five acres in fee.

5. A deed from the said Cowgill to the subscribers in fee for the said land. All which deeds were accidentally burnt in the house of John Porch.

JOHN PORCH,

3M 10S\*

PATRICK FLANNINGHAM.

**Eight Dollars Reward.**

**STOLEN** or strayed out of the pasture of the subscriber, on the 22d instant, a sorrel mare, about fourteen hands and a half high, trots and canters, six years old this grass, has a star, and a scar on the inside of one of her fore knees. Whoever takes up the mare and thief shall have the above reward.

**BRYAN CROSS.**

Barnet township, June 23, 1786. 4w\*

**Nine Pounds Reward.**

**STOLEN** out of the pasture of the subscriber, near Flemington, township of Amwell, county of Hunterdon, state of New-Jersey, on the night of the 17th instant, a half blooded bay mare, about fourteen hands and an half high, has the hair wore off behind her near ear, something of the scratches in her hind legs, trots natural, carries well, good spirits, and about eight years old. Whoever takes up said mare and thief, and secures them, so that the thief may be brought to justice, and the owner get his mare, shall have the above reward.

**D. CHAPESE.**

Amwell, June 20, 1786. 4w\*

**Two Dollars Reward.**

**RAN** away on the 18th ult. from the subscriber, living in Cheltenham township, Montgomery county, an Irish servant lad, named William Finlay, about sixteen years of age, heavy made, and stoops much when he walks, is pitted with the small-pox, and has a scar on one of his eyes; he took with him a variety of wearing apparel. Whoever will secure said runaway, so that his master may have him again, shall receive the above reward, and reasonable charges paid by

**JAMES MARTIN.**

N. B. All masters of vessels are forbid to carry him off at their peril.

June 1, 1786. 4w\*

**Notice is hereby given,**

**TO** the creditors of Samuel Carman, an insolvent debtor, now confined in the common gaol of the county of Monmouth, to appear before two of the judges of the inferior court of common-pleas for said county, on Saturday the eight day of July, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the house of Mr. John Longstreet, innkeeper, at Freehold, and shew cause, if any they have, why an assignment of the said Samuel Carman's estate should not be made, and he discharged agreeably to an act of the legislature in such case made and provided.

**SAMUEL CARMAN.**

Monmouth gaol, June 10, 1786. 4w

**American Blistered Steel,**

Warranted equal in quality to the best steel imported from Europe, and to be sold by

**John Nancarrow and White Matlack,**

Under the FIRM of

**NANCARROW and MATLACK,**

**AT** the stores of John Helling's on Stamper's wharf, and in Second-street, between Race and Vine-streets; at Greenfield and Humphreys' store on Chestnut-street wharf, at Baker, Potts and Co's. store in Third-street, at Michael Gunckle's store, the north east corner of Race-street, at Casper Singer and Sons in Market-street, and at Benjamin Davis's store in Arch-street, between Front and Second-streets; and also by most of the merchants in Trenton.

The great encouragement given the said John Nancarrow, by the rapid sale of the steel he has made, previous to and during the late war, has induced the said Nancarrow and Matlack to assure the publick, that as they intend to carry on the steel manufactory in an extensive and spirited manner, they are determined to spare no pains to render their steel worthy the character given it.

Trenton, Jan. 3, 1786. t. f.

**Notice is hereby given,**

**TO** all persons concerned, that the subscriber, having, by unavoidable accident, lost the deed of conveyance, executed to him and his wife Frances, by Abraham Duboys, deceased, father of the said Frances, for two hundred and sixty-four acres of land, situated in the township of Hillsborough, and county of Somerset, means to apply to the supreme court of the state of New-Jersey, in September term next, in order to have the said lands assured to him, according to an act of the legislature of this state, in such case made and provided.

**BROGUN HUFF.**

Hillsborough, May 22, 1786. 3m

**Three Pounds Reward.**

**STOLEN** out of the stable of the subscriber, on the night of the tenth instant, a sorrel mare, near fifteen hands high, nine years old, trots and canters, grey mane, has lost her near eye, and has a rupture on one side scarcely perceivable. Whoever secures said mare, and returns her to the owner, shall be intitled to the above reward if taken above forty miles from home, if within that distance, one guinea, and all reasonable charges, paid by

**ISRAEL CLARKE.**

Stony-Brook, April 12, 1786. 4w\* t. f.

**A GRAMMAR SCHOOL.**

**UNDER** the direction of the Rev. Andrew Hunter, is now opened at Woodbury, nine miles from the city of Philadelphia, where the Greek, Latin and English languages are taught with great attention to quantity and pronunciation; also several other useful branches of science.

An examination of the scholars will be holden every three months, when gentlemen who choose to attend may judge of their improvement, and the method of teaching. Convenient accommodations may be had in the town, in families where regularity and good morals prevail.

May 1, 1786. 3m

Gloucester county, state of New-Jersey, May 1, Anno Domini 1786.

Publick notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern,

**THAT** the subscriber John Porch, of the county of Gloucester, in pursuance of an act of the legislature of the state of New-Jersey, made and passed at Trenton, in the county of Hunterdon, on the eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-two, intituled, 'an act for the relief of persons who have lost their deeds and other instruments of writing containing the title of their lands;' intends to apply to the supreme court of judicature, of the state of New-Jersey, to be held at Trenton aforesaid, on the second Tuesday in November next, or where-ever the same court shall at that time be held, to remedy the loss of the following deeds or instruments in writing, concerning his title to a tract or tracts of lands, containing by estimation two hundred and fifty acres of land, lying and being in the township of Deptford, in the county of Gloucester aforesaid, one hundred acres of which were formerly surveyed unto Thomas Langley, deceased, on or about the 16th February, Anno Domini 1714, or thereabouts, and is recorded or supposed to be recorded in the surveyor general's office at Burlington, in a book called Bull's Book, folio 22; the remaining one hundred and fifty acres whereof, were surveyed unto a certain William Arrell, on or about 17th March, Anno Domini 1737, and recorded in the same office, in book M. folio 343, that is to say,

1. A deed from Andrew Jones to his son John Jones, in fee for one hundred acres, part of the tract so surveyed as aforesaid, unto Thomas Langley.

2. A deed from Richard Arrell, son of the aforesaid William Arrell, for fifty acres (part of the aforesaid lands so surveyed to the said William) unto John Jones in fee.

3. A deed from John Jones, for the one hundred and fifty acres aforesaid, unto John Porch in fee.

4. A deed from the said Richard Arrell, for one hundred acres (residue of the one hundred and fifty acres so surveyed as aforesaid, unto William Arrell) unto Jonathan Williams in fee-simple.

5. A deed from the said Jonathan Williams, unto William Kidd, for the same one hundred acres in fee.

6. A deed from the said William Kidd, for the same one hundred acres to John Porch. All which said deeds have been lost by the devastation of the enemy, or other unavoidable accident.

3m\*\* **JOHN PORCH.**

By the United States in Congress assembled,

NOVEMBER 2, 1785.

**ON** a report of the board of treasury, to whom was referred a letter of the 24th October, from J. Pierce, commissioner of army accounts:

**RESOLVED,** That all persons having claims for services performed in the military department, be directed to exhibit the same for liquidation, to the commissioner of army accounts, on or before the first day of August ensuing the date hereof; and that all claims under the description above-mentioned, which may be exhibited after that period, shall forever thereafter be precluded from adjustment or allowance; and that the commissioner of army accounts, give publick notice of this resolve, in all the states, for the space of six months.

6m **CHA. THOMSON, Sec'ry.**

Publick notice is hereby given,

**THAT** the subscriber intends to make application to the supreme court of the state of New-Jersey, in the term of September next, to be then held at Trenton, to supply the loss of the deeds for a tract or tracts of one hundred and three acres of land and swamp, or thereabouts, in the township of Woolwich, in Gloucester county, one hundred acres of which were surveyed for Samuel Shevers, of Gloucester county, deceased, on or about the 24th February 1737-8, and are bounded, and supposed to be bounding, on lands of Hendrickson-John Ladd, Isaac Helm, and others, and which same one hundred acres were conveyed unto William Watson, the father of the subscriber, in fee by the same Shevers, and now belongs to

**WILLIAM WATSON,**  
of Woolwich, Gloucester county.

May 15, 1786. 3m\*

**TO BE SOLD,**  
**AT PUBLICK VENDUE,**

**ON** Monday the tenth day of July next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the sign of the college in Princeton, two lots of ground, situate in said town, on the north side of the main street, as follows:

No. 1. Containing in front, on said street, sixty-one feet or thereabouts, and in depth five hundred and forty-three feet, more or less.

No. 2. Adjoining of same dimensions, No. 1, with a two story frame house and small kitchen thereon, late the estate of Alexander Gaa, deceased. The conditions of sale, one third of the money down, one third in a year after, the other third in two years with interest and security on the premises. By order of the orphan's court.

**ROBERT M'GEE, Admr.**

Princeton, May 22, 1786. 6w\*

**PURSUANT to the directi-**

ons contained in the act, intituled, 'An act to call in all contractors and surplus certificates, to issue state notes to the holders, and to procure a more accurate estimate of the state debt.'

Notice is hereby given,

That the subscriber will open an office for the liquidation and settlement of such of the above described certificates as shall be presented to him for that purpose, at Daniel Halsey's, in Morristown, on the third day of May next, and continue ten days; at major Egbert's, in Brunswick, on the fifteenth, and continue two weeks; at John Anderson's, in Rahway, the twenty-ninth; and at William Scudder's, in West-Field, the fifth of June, and continue one week at each place; at Samuel Mun's, Newark Mountains, the twelfth of June, and continue two weeks; at Adam Boyd's, in Hackinack, the twenty-sixth of June; at Garret Hopper's, in Paramus, the third of July; at in Pompton, the tenth; at Phineas Randolph's, in Suckasunna, the seventeenth; at Hoagland's, in Suffex, the twenty-fourth; at Willis's, at Suffex Courthouse, the thirty-first; at the widow Swazey's, in Oxford, the seventh of August; at David M'Pherson's in Quaker-Town, the fourteenth; at Thomas Bulman's, in Pennington, the twenty-first; at Skilman's, in Somerset, the twenty-eighth; at Samuel Annin's, the fourth of September, and continue in each of these places one week; and at Daniel Halsey's, in Morristown, the eleventh of September, and continue until the first day of October, at which time his office will be closed. At the above times and places he will settle and adjust all such certificates as shall be presented to him, which have been given by the superintendent of purchases, contractors, collectors, agents, and commissioners, for the payment of which the state is accountable. All persons holding such certificates are therefore requested to take particular notice of the above times and places, as the law limits the time for transacting this business to the first of October aforesaid, and all those will be finally excluded which are not brought in before that time.

**SILAS CONDUCT, Commissioner.**

March 15, 1786. t. f.

**TO BE SOLD,**

**AT PUBLICK VENDUE,**

**ON** Thursday the 6th of July next, the pleasantly situated seat of the late doctor Lewis Johnson, at Perth-Amboy, containing two hundred and nine acres; it will be sold in two lots, as it is conveniently situated to be laid off into two genteel seats. There will likewise be sold, several commodious lots and water lots, part of the estate of Henry Cuyler, late deceased. Likewise, to be sold on the same day, a commodious water lot, extending in front on Water-Street twenty-six feet, and in rear to low water mark; on which there is a new well built storehouse, thirty-six feet long and twenty-two wide, with an excellent dry cellar under it. The conditions will be made known at the time and place of sale, by

**JAMES PARKER,**  
**BOWES REED.**

June 10, 1786. 4w

**Blank Books,**

Ruled and unruled, of several sizes and forms, to be sold at the Printing-Office, in Trenton.