forgery, lal February terms but on account of application to his favor, continentally the legislature and two hundred No. 3, 8 hour life insurance for effective and your deliberations could be had thereon.

The papers marked No. 2, are relative to contested elections, which I also submit to your consideration.

Since the 24 of March, warrants have been drawn on the Treasury, amounting to civil establishment of 1801, for the sum of 7447 dollars 80 cents; the contingent fund of 1801, for 4437 dollars, 81 cents; to partial appropriation of 1800, for 53 dollars; as per statement of warrants, marked No. 4.

Total double claim amount to the amount of 11,937 dollars 61 cents, have been issued on the Treasury, marked 43 in No. 5.

To every appointment liable to legislative interference, are and will be laid before you, marked No. 6.

To the benefit of the legislature of this hemisphere will direct your actions for the good of our fellow-citizens, with doubt your wisdom in the choice of your Executive Magistrate, to one of your, and with unanimous approbation, doubt to that the state executive may cordially agree with, not only the measures of the union, but the legislative wisdom of the general government, whereby no interruption will take place, on which they depended and ardently wished for event, the expectation of the state's rights, and additional territory, and the cession of her Western Territory to the United States, is, my Sister and sisters, ardent prayer, your fellow-citizen,

DAVID EMANUEL.

State-House, Louisville,
Nov. 2, 1801.

SPEECH of the GOVERNOR of PENNSYLVANIA.

Gentlemen of the Senate, and
House of Representatives,

It is with the highest satisfaction that I address you, to speak the sentiments of freedom in the affairs of America, that has occurred since the termination of our revolutionary contest. Considering our domestic focus, recent events have proved that the great hope of people remain faithful to republican principles and institutions; the independence and liberties of the nation have been confirmed to the guardianship of men of intelligence, wisdom, worth and patriotism, and the prospect of returning confidence and harmony already enlightens and warms with the influence of social life.

Excepting our view to foreign occurrences, we can find no fault, but satisfaction at peace with all the world; and every friend to the rights and interests of humanity will rejoice in the consolation of a war, which has so long and so extensively affected the nations of Europe.

To aid in perpetuating the blessings which a benevolent Providence has this harvest upon our country, is an important and honorable duty, particularly in a place where we are placed in the seat of public trust.

Peace, our chosen, our endeavor, our fellow-citizens very justly, cost us a great sum and considerable exertion of the legislature, and yet, on our part, we have made a common compromise. The force of party and pride of opinion, will so influence an excellent, and ardent the transfusion of authority, but the commonness of all the departments of government will be directed, in unison with the obvious sentiments of our constituents, to maintain our republican principles, to inculcate virtue, to advance knowledge and peace and subsidy.

I the communicate to that were made to your predecessors I stated the principles which could request legislative attention; but an anxious desire of the importance of an immediate reform in the judicial department impelled me to hint that the administration of justice must with some insufficient, and in the opinion of the judges of the supreme court will be correct, and the courts of common pleas shall be re-organized upon a system more adequate to the state of population and commerce. A revision of the election law, for the purpose of the new government, and the introduction of a new one, which has, for the sake of the peace of the federal government, are matters of no small moment to the people, and I further notice, that the focus which has accompanied my endeavors to improve the discipline of militia will enlist your attitude, in measures will be further advantageous to the accomplishment of that object. The introduction of public schools, and the effectiveness of a form of education for educating youth against the state, are arrangements which the constitution expressly devolves on the wisdom of the legislature.

In connection with the regular improvements of the judiciary department, the law for regulating juries will deserve consideration; and some provision should be made to obviate the prompt, vexatious and expense which proceed from an increase of prisoners in the city of Philadelphia, and the removal of constables from the different counties of the state to the city.

While I call your attention to the health law, in order to recommend that measures should be taken to remove, its operation, any unfounded dissatisfaction on the part of the state of Delaware, and to suppress more justly the punishment of the offences specified in the law, permit me to add a congratulation upon the health that the city has uncommonly enjoyed during the present year, for, in feelings which render the favor of Heaven, may doubtless be a great deal contributed to the vigilance of the board of health, and the officers of the hospital.

I cannot omit suggesting the propriety of a tax at this time, to enable alone my merchants and tradesmen in the same manner as citizens. It appears also to be a proper time to extend the time for contesting lands, from the first day of January next, for two or three years, on account of the present pecuniary embarrassments of the western inhabitants.

The former states which declined, and the defining the seats of the General Assembly, have been promptly and receptively adopted. Among other subjects, yet to mention, that the contents for the purpose of the continuing measures of the sens to supply the million, have been made upon verify advantageous terms, upon their subsequent dividends, shewing or that the republick of the fifth ministry, the money of the sum have been actually delivered, and that the whole will probably be finished in the course of the present year. Accordingly the contents have been entered into for improving the navigation of the Susquehanna and from Wright's ferry to the Maryland line, and the work has been far advanced; but to enlive or encourage, and to prevent grant of about two thousand dollars will be required. Supplying the state of imports, I employed a skillful engineer, to make a chart of a navigable channel between the two points mentioned by the contents, and I recommend a provision for compleating the work, and the branch of the seas in branches of the river, as an object of great public utility.

The officers appointed at the commissions, originally appointed to execute the law for locating the seven counties, and by, in relation to the fourteen townships of Luzerne County, unanimously have declined their duty than hitherto, but it is probable that their faculties, (who have evinced great abilities, probabilities, and fidelity for the task) will bring it to a satisfactory termination, before the end of the next year.

Gentlemen of the house of representatives.

The officers of accounts will exhibit to you a general view of the finances of the Commonwealth. Though, on the one hand, you will perceive, that the expenditure of the government, and the expences of the government, you will see the diminution of the revenue, from the abundant reserves which the prodigious condition of the state profects for your consideration, and, therefore, the ordinary appropriations for the current year, you will alone is proper to supply the condition of a special appropriation for the last year's expences of the Executive Department, and, permit me to advise, that contingencies appropriated to the official expences of the Governor, which ought to be borne by the public. Received votes from Lehigh County, for the public expences to the community, have occurred since my arrival, which, in the last instance, I have been able at some expense and trouble, with the benevolent cooperation of two officials to compel the satisfactory of Friendly to mediate between the neighboring tribes, of the Senecas and Mooey Indians, so as to avert hostilities with which they violently threatened each other.

In the course of your fiscal investigations you will find this, extremely a fallacion that certain certificates of state debt, which were pretended for payment, had already been redeemed; I directed an enquiry into the fabrick, and the result will now be communicated to you, in the report of the present Comptroller-General.

Gentlemen of the Senate, and
House of Representatives,

The documents that are necessary for your information, on the various topics to which I have referred, will be presented by the Secretary; and be afforded that I shall be solicitous in every other respect to facilitate your deliberations and to promote the happiness of the public business. With a full feele of the duties, I have to discharge and to conclusion, I anticipate from the example of the present fellow, all that is necessary to demonstrate that Pennsylvania, guided by counsels proceeding immediately from the people, is faithfully federal and firmly republican.

THOMAS MKEAN.

Lancaster, Dec. 5, 1801.

LEGISLATURE of NORTH-CAROLINA.

November 27.

The following message was received from the Governor:

The honorable the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina.

Gentlemen,

I had yesterday the honor to receive your message, informing me of my re-election to the chief magistracy of the state.

Holding, as I do, that the most distinguished and valuable reward a free country can confer on its magistrates, or other officers, consists in a declared approbation of their conduct, I cannot but receive with much sensibility, the reiterated and flattering proofs that my endeavors to serve my country in the following world you have been pleased to vaile me, have met your approbation.

On Saturday next I will attend the General Assembly, for the purpose of taking the oath prescribed to the vigilance of the board of health, and the officers of the hospital.

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