sult of the operations which your excellency has undertaken, ought not in any manner whatever to be considered as an act of hostility provoked by my government, I must oppose myself to it, in discharge of the obligation which I am under, to oppose myself to the aggressions of the U. S. and to preserve entire as far as lies in my power the dominions of my sovereign.

I take the proper means that your excellency may receive this letter, praying the Lord our God that he may preserve your life for many years.

I am, respectfully, &c.
(Signed,)
ANTONIO CORDERO.

His Excellency,
Gen. JAMES WILKINSON.

Extract of a letter from the captain general Don Nemesio Salcedo to governor Claiborne, dated Chihuagua, 18th of Sept. 1806.

By my orders I am bound to maintain the best harmony with the government of the U. S. and to that end I have directed all my views as your excellency may be convinced by the conduct which has been followed, and by the letter, which under my directions, the governor of Texas wrote on the 7th of March last, to the commandant of the fort of Natchitoches, exhorting him not to repeat, on either side any acts of hostility concerning the disputed territory. Of this letter major Porter acknowledged receipt and gave assurances that he was on the point of sending an account of it to gen. Wilkinson, to whom he left the decision; which, however, has not as yet been verified.

After this intelligence your excellency will find no just motive to draw the sword on account of the movements of the troops on this frontier, especially after being assured that neither those troops nor their chiefs have had, or at present have, any orders to make new establishments. Your excellency may be assured that all my actions are directed in compliance with my duties, and with a view that I may, at no period whatever, be reproached with having suffered, in any manner, the usurpation of the smallest part of the dominions of my king under my charge. But in consideration of the assurance which your excellency gives that the subject is now in treaty between the two governments, and the frankness with which you state the disputed claim as one that shall be amicably adjusted, without availing ourselves of our rights, the operations of our troops shall be limited (under the responsibility of your excellency,) to patroling the disputed lands, to see and prevent any settlement from being made by citizens of either nation.

Your excellency knows very well that whilst this is the most moderate behavior I can adopt, I must also repel all aggressions of the American government, and act conformably to the strictest accomplishment of the first obligation of my station.

FROM THE BEDFORD PENNS. GAZETTE.

We are informed by a gentleman of veracity from the Western country, that about 500 young gentlemen from Pittsburg and the neighboring counties (some of whom are of the first respectability,) descended the Ohio last week, to join as is believed, the expedition under the direction of Col. Burr. Our informant adds, that he considered the measure as a very popular one in that country—and that it was supposed the general rendezvous for the western waters would be at Natchez.

FROM THE PITTSBURG, PENN. GAZETTE.

Mr. SCULL—The departure of several young men from this place for Orleans, at this particular crisis, has created a variety of improper suspicions and surmises——you will please to state to the public, that these young men stand pledged to their friends, and the world, that they have no improper, lawless, or treasonable object in view, and that they will not engage in any act or enterprize which may not be deemed honorable and laudable.

Meadville (Penn) Nov. 27.

On Monday last, a number of the citizens of this town said to be engaged in the secret expedition took their departure for Beaver, the place of rendezvous, situated on the river Ohio. Numbers engaged in the same enterprize, have recently passed through this place, from the state of New-York.

Lexington, Nov 24.

From Frankfort we learn that the House of Representatives have cited Judge Sebastion to appear before them on Thursday next, to answer to the charge of receiving a pension from the Spanish government.

Capt. Dunscomb from Cape Francois, informs us that General Christophe, was about establishing a form of Government similar to that of the United States, and that he (Christophe,) was to be its first President.

Phil. paper.

The committe to whom was referred so much of the governor's speech, as relates to the importation of negroes, have concurred with the Governor on the expediency of prohibiting the further importation of negroes. The committee were Messrs Gailliard, B. Huger, M'Kidden, W. Lowndes D. E. Huger, Miles, and Dr. Mitchell.

Courier.

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.

We hear from Lancaster, that the Legislature have adjourned the election of a member for the Senate of the United States, to the 2d Tuesday in January.

Baltimore, Dec. 18.

It is generally said on the continent of Europe that England agreed to pay the king of Prussia a subsidy of three millions sterling to enable him to put all his troops in motion.

Richmond, Dec. 16.

The following resolution, which has been offered in the House of Delegates by Mr. J. H. Blake, and referred to a committee of whole, was on Saturday last, referred to a select committee. It was contended by the advocates of this measure, that such legislative expressions of the public will, were only justifiable on extraordinary and urgent occasions, and that there existed no crisis at present which called for a measure foreign to the sphere of ordinary legislation, which might produce in its progress, unnecessary altercation and debate.

"*Resolved*, That the General Assembly of Virginia have an entire confidence, in no wise diminished, but increased, in the patriotism of the views and wisdom of the conduct of the President of the United States; and that the present administration merits and ought to receive the most cordial support of this Assembly."

AMERICAN GENIUS.

In the British packet which arrived at New York, last Saturday, came passenger ROBERT FULTON, a native of Pennsylvania, author of various improvements in *civil engineering* and the *mechanic arts*, which have secured him a lasting reputation in Europe, particularly in France and England. His return will be an important acquisition to our country in the various branches of public improvement, of which it is so susceptible; and we cannot but hope that his system of *submarine navigation*, may be advantageously united with that of our *gun boats*, to form the cheapest and surest defence of our harbors and coasts.

Aurora.

WASHINGTON CITY.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22.

The obscurity, that has for some time enveloped the projects of Aaron Burr, begins to give place to facts. From a great variety of information received from various quarters, we believe, it may be confidently said—

1. That a military plan has been formed; and
2. That Aaron Burr is the leader of it.

The letters subjoined are derived from a respectable source, and the circumstances they detail are but links in the chain.

From many circumstances of the same nature, the object contemplated would seem to be of no mean grade. What it precisely is may be considered as a matter of some doubt. Indeed it is extremely probable that it will be made to accommodate itself to the degree of success with which the first steps taken shall be crowned. That views, hostile to the Spanish possessions, and embracing a dismemberment of the union are entertained, is proved by a thousand circumstances. Whether either, or both of these exploits will be directly attempted can only be ascertained by events.

It appears to have been planned that the different bodies of volunteers should unite at Natchez the beginning of December. Should the proclamation and orders of the President reach that place in time, where we have two gun boats, it is possible the scheme may be crushed in its embrio state. Should it however have previously passed on, or should its numbers enable it to proceed without a check, New Orleans may be the point of attack, the shipping at which place may be seized to aid in carrying on an enterprize against Vera Cruz. At all events, however, whatever momentary triumphs may crow these treasonable schemes, they will soon and vigorously be crushed by the arm of government; and it will be seen that the Western people will do their duty.

Our decided opinion is that there ought to be no reserve on this subject. Treason and traitors are entitled to no reserve; and the people of the United States, without being unnecessarily alarmed, ought to be enabled to appreciate the danger that menaces them. Under this impression we shall give publicity to every fact of importance that we can collect, and even to rumors of any consequence, carefully separating the one from the other, to avoid doing injustice to those who may be erroneously implicated.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Meadville, Pennsylvania, to a member of Congress, dated November 26th, 1806.

For some weeks past the rumor and appearance of emissaries through the western country and particularly in the town of Meadville, excited considerable apprehensions among the friends of peace and of the union here. But the improbability then that any expedition or assembly of people would be attempted, led us to construe as favorably as possible, the rumors that were excited, and the designs that were manifested. We could not then believe that when a Captain Davis and a Colonel Smith appeared in this *town*, offering to engage as many adventurers as would accept their proposals of assembling at Beaver, on the Ohio, and of embarking there under the secrecy to be imposed on them by an oath, upon some private expedition under Col. Burr, that any seriously was intended against the peace of the United States. Whether any such thing is yet intended, a few weeks will develope. However, on the 24th instant, in consequence of the proposals of Davis and Smith, and their private agents, nine men, after disposing of their property and settling their affairs here, embarked from this town for Beaver, with the expressed intention of joining the secret expedition under Col. Burr. The names of the adventurers are, Frederic Haymaker, esquire, Luke Hill, Owen Aston, William Davis, Hugh Allen, James Knox, James Kennedy, John Gelvin, a man of the name of Chichester, and another of the name of Burnside, Samuel Lord, the marshall's deputy for this district, with three or four others, are preparing to depart on the same business in a day or two; Charles I. Reed, Stephen Wolberton, and a doctor, I think Mulholm is his name, from Erie county, have passed through this place on the same expedition, also a number to the amount of eight or ten, from the western part of the state of New-York, on their route through this place openly avowed similar intentions, and held nightly meetings with their brethren in enterprize here. The doctor is by his own account an agent in the transaction; he informed me that they had three large boats built on Beaver, under the direction of Comfit Tyler, of the state of New York, who is now at Beaver, and that they would embark from thence on the first Monday in December next. Hugh Allen, after he had returned from Pittsburg, whither he had been sent by his associates here informed me, that he had been introduced to Comfit Tyler, and had arranged his plan with him. There are very flattering prospects of wealth held out to them, and the needy and desperate embark in it with avidity. An oath, they say, will be administered to them at Beaver, before they will be informed of the object of the expedition, and those unwilling then to go will be at liberty to return under that injunction of secrecy. They calculate upon the information they receive from their leaders that the expedition will be supported by more than five thousand men, and if the information we receive from travellers be correct, they have accommodations provided for that number along the Ohio, in different places. A salt merchant of the name of Kibby, went through Meadville on the 23d instant, and said he had sold to the projectors of the expedition seven hundred barrels of salt for their use. It is said that some of the Wilkins' family in Pittsburg are engaged in it, and though the expedition is kept very secret in Pittsburg, many adventurers there are engaged to embark in it. What I mention from information may not be true, though it is derived from some of themselves. But I have seen those I mention of this place, embark in canoes in French Creek, and heard them huzza a farewell to Meadville. They are all federalists, and cordially unfriendly to the government. They even declared that no democrat, or man friendly to the government should be permitted to participate in the enterprise, as no such man could be trusted. The people here are much divided in their conjectures upon the expedition. Some believe that an attempt is projected to separate the western from the eastern states, and add them to Louisiana.

November 27th.

There is something of moment and I apprehend of danger on foot. Since I wrote the above, Jabez Colt, Ralph Marlin, James Gibson and Samuel Lord, have departed for Beaver, Colt and Marlin expect commissions—Israel Miller is also gone from Erie.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Pittsburg, Pen. to a member of Congress, dated Dec. 8, 1806.

A number of young men, inhabitants of this town, amounting to seven, have set out with an intention to join col. Burr in his expedition against Mexico, among whom is Morgan Nevill, son to gen. Presly Nevill, it is said with the knowledge and consent of his father; he provided himself with two suits of regimentals before his departure—also Thomas Butler son to the late col. Butler, Mr. Forward, printer and editor of the Tree of Liberty, and publisher of the U. S. laws by authority, after having made preparation was prevented from going by sickness.

It would have been a fortunate circumstance had the President's proclamation arrived one mail sooner, we would have had it in our power to seize on a large quantity of pork and whisky. Nathaniel Irish and——Robinson, two justices of the peace, issued process against a Joseph Davis of this town for purchasing provisions for the expedition——when brought before them he acknowledged the fact alledged against him, and said that he was employed by a certain Tyler and major Smith both late of New York—the money obtained here to defray the expence of purchase of provisions, &c. is on orders drawn by Comfort Tyler on Ogden and Smith of New York——the orders are promptly paid.

All that have joined the expedition and all who encourage it are of that class of persons called federalists. Gen. Nevill has used his influence to promote it. Wilkins and his sons warmly advocate it—they make light of our worthy President's proclamation, and say that it is only a come off, that he wishes to wink at the expedition——never did a set of men discover greater malignity and use such exertions to bring the administration into dispute, but all wont do. Their conduct is calculated to excite the hatred and detestation of all honest, well disposed men, even those of their own party.

We flatter ourselves that if the military force on the western waters is exerted, that it will be successful in stopping those insurgents. But of the conduct of some of the officers we are jealous. The commandant of this place was spoken to long since to keep a look out and attend to suspicious movements——he laughed and said it was a damned good thing.

Samuel Lord, the deputy marshal from Meadville, went as far as Beaver but since returned.

Mr. Floyd, whom our readers will recollect to have been the witness who failed to appear before the district court of Kentucky, has presented himself to the court, in consequence of which a citation has been issued requiring Mr. Burr to appear before the court on the 1st of December. The last accounts received represent Mr. Burr as being at Marietta.

COMMUNICATION.

The following is an extract of a letter from a member of the Legislature of Virginia to his friend in Washington city, dated Richmond, the 18th December, 1806.

"The House of Delegates have passed two resolutions, one approving of the conduct of the President of the United States, to which I gave my full, open and warmest approbation. The other approving the conduct of the government relating to foreign nations; being in the dark upon this subject, and the declared intent and meaning being to censure the Virginia members who were in the minority last Congress, led me to give it my negative, and consequently I was in a minority of 35 to 122."

As the writer is one of the warmest friends of the administration, it is presumed that the minority acquired no inconsiderable accession, from a belief that it was premature, or unnecessary to pass a vote of "censure" upon the conduct of the "Virginia members who were in the minority last Congress:" So that the vote of the House of Delegates may be regarded as an unequivocal expression of the public opinion in that state.

(By Authority.)

AN ACT

To suspend the operation of an act, intituled "An act to prohibit the importation of certain goods, wares and merchandise," and to remit the penalties incurred under the same.

BE *it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That the operation of the act, passed on the eighteenth day of April last, intituled "An act to prohibit the importation of certain goods, wares and merchandise," be, and the same hereby is suspended until the first day of July next.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all penalties, fines and forfeitures, which may have been incurred by virtue of the provisions of the aforesaid act, be, and the same hereby are, respectively, remitted, on payment, by the parties by whom such penalty, fine or forfeiture may have been incurred, of all costs, which have accrued or may accrue before notice of this act shall have been received by the attornies of the several districts of the United States.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted* That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby authorized further to suspend the operation of the aforesaid act, if in his judgement the public interest should require it: *Provided*, That such suspension shall not extend beyond the second Monday in December next.

NATHL. MACON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
GEO: CLINTON,
Vice-President of the United States, and President of the Senate.
December 19th, 1806.
APPROVED,
TH: JEFFERSON.

Post Office, Washington City, 20th December, 1806.

During the session of Congress the Letter mail to and from the Southward (including the general Orleans route, via Tennessee, &c.) will be brought from Fredericksburg Va. and be carried thither on Horse back—It is expected it will arrive at this Office about six o'clock P. M. and it will be closed at half past seven o'clock A. M. instead of nine o'clock P. M. as heretofore published.

News papers to be conveyed in the stage.

THOMAS MUNROE, P. M.—3t

Several Subscribers to the National Intelligencer are in arrears. They are respectfully informed that payment must be made. The terms of the paper require the annual payment of Five Dollars in advance.

Mr MANFREDI,

At the request of several LADIES *and* GENTLEMEN *will be Exhibited, a number of*

NEW FEATS,

AT THE

THEATRE.

On MONDAY EVENING, *DEC. 22.*
The Performance will commence,
With a SPANISH DANCE by the Little American.

Dancing on the Rope.

A dance in character, with the balance pole by Miss LOUISA.

Miss CATHERINE will dance a hornpipe on the rope—after which a serious dance

A grotesque dance, by Madam MANFREDI—the moving board she will dance LA POOR LANA on the rope, with the balance pole,—and play a handsome air on the Mandoline, on the rope, without it.

The Cossac dance. Mr. Manfredi will dance with a boy on his shoulders. He will give a collation on the rope, to two persons. Without the balance pole, he will go through several feats with the hoop, Also

Grand Military Evolutions, &c.
Mr. Manfredi will perform the
DRUNKEN DRAGOON,
on the rope,

The CLOWN will divert the company with numerous comic capers.

TUMBLING AGILITY
OF THE
CHILDREN,
Who will perform several Feats on the Carpet in the Italian style.

Extraordinary Feats of the Tumblers, who will throw somersets, backwark and forward over tables and chairs—Ground tumbling, with english and spanish dances.

The Egyptian PYRAMIDS.

Mr. Manfredi will balance several persons on his arms, legs, &c. shewing several perspectives in the Roman style. He will dance a Spanish FANDANGO over several EGGS.

The whole to conclude with a PANTOMINE, CALLED

Harlequin Protected,
BY THE
MAGICIAN.

Harlequin,	Miss Catherine.
Clown,	Mr. Manfredi.
Old man,	Miss Louisa.
Columbine,	Mrs Manfredi.
Little Devil,	The Little American.
Magician,	Mr. Menel.

In the course of the performance Harlequin will make a great variety of changes in his dress with great facility.

PERFORMANCES ON MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, & FRIDAY.

The doors to be opened at FIVE, and performance to begin at Half past SIX.

Admittance—BOX ONE DOLLAR—PITT SEVENTY FIVE CENTS.

The place will be made comfortable by stoves

☞ No Segars to be smoaked during the performance

Celebration of St. JOHN the Evangelist's Day.

THE Members of Federal Lodge, No. 15, Columbia Lodge No. 35, Washington Naval Lodge, No. 41, and Potomac Lodge No. 43, are requested to attend at the Lodge Room of No. 15 and 35 on *Saint John the Evangelist's Day*, (the 27th inst. at the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M. where a procession will be formed and proceed to the Episcopal Church, when a discourse adapted to the occasion will be delivered by the Rev. Brother Elliot, after which the procession will move to the house of Messrs. *Frost & Quin*, to partake of a DINNER provided for them.

Brethren who do not belong to any of the aforesaid Lodges are invited to attend.

By order of the committees of arrangement, the members of No. 15 and 35 are requested to meet at their Lodge room at the hour of 8 o'clock, A. M. on the aforesaid day to transact business previous to the formation of the procession.

By order of the Lodges No. 15 and 35.

December 22——

The Subscribers take this method of requesting DAVID DUNCAN late Collector of the port of Machinac, to remit them on or before the month of March next the amount of their bond given to the United States, as judgment hath been obtained against them on said bond.

ROBERT ABBOTT,
JNO. DODEMEAD.
Detroit November 10—1m

THIS is to give notice that the subscriber will attend at the DWELLING of the late Daniel Kent, deceased, in Calvert county on the 2nd Monday in January next for the purpose of making a final distribution of the whole of the assets in his hands among the heirs of the said Daniel Kent, where all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased are once more warned to exhibit the same properly authenticated otherwise by law they will be excluded from any benefit thereof.

JOS. KENT, administrator.
December 24——w3t