

this Province;—on this salutary precaution, in the event of a War, our future safety will greatly depend, and I doubt not, but that you will cheerfully lend your aid, to enable me to defray the expense of carrying into effect, a measure so conducive to our security and defence.

I have ordered the Public Accounts to be laid before you, and have no doubt but that you will consider them with that attention which the nature of the subject may require.

Hon. Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, And Gentlemen of the House of Assembly, I have without reserve, communicated to you, what has occurred to me, on the existing circumstances of this Province.—We wish & hope for peace, but it is nevertheless our duty to be prepared for War.

The task imposed on you, on the present occasion, is arduous; this task however, I hope & trust, laying aside every consideration, but that of the Public Good, you will perform with that firmness, discretion, and promptitude, which a regard to yourselves, your families, your Country and your King call for at your hands.

As for myself, it shall be my utmost endeavor to co-operate with you, in promoting such measures as may best contribute to the security and to the prosperity of this Province.

#### FROM THE UNITED STATES.

##### MESSAGE.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States.

I lay before congress a letter from the envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of Great Britain, to the secretary of state, with the answer of the latter.

JAMES MADISON.

Washington, Jan. 17, 1812.

#### Mr. FOSTER to Mr. MONROE.

Washington, Dec. 28, 1811.

Sir—I have been informed by Mr. Morier that so long ago as the 3d of last January, in consequence of a written communication from Sir James Craig, his Majesty's Governor-General and Commander in Chief in Canada, dated the 15th of November, 1810, acquainting him with his suspicions of its being the intention of some of the Indian tribes, from the great fermentation among them, to make an attack on the United States, and authorizing him to impart his suspicions to the American Secretary of State;—he had actually done so verbally to Mr. Smith, your predecessor in office, and on searching among the archives of this mission, I have found the letter alluded to of Sir James Craig, by which he did authorize Mr. Morier to make the communication in question; as well as a memorandum of its having been made, as also, an express declaration of Sir James Craig, that although he doubted there would not be wanting persons who would be ready to attribute the movements of the Indians to the influence of the British Government, yet that his department were actually making every exertion in their power to assist in preventing their attempts.

This evidence, sir, of a friendly disposition to put the United States Government on their guard against the machinations of the savages, and even to aid in preventing the calamity which has taken place, is so honorable to the Governor-General of Canada, and so clearly in contradiction to the late unfounded reports which have been spread of a contrary nature, that I cannot resist the impulse I have to draw your attention towards it; not that I conceive, however, that it was necessary to produce this proof to the United States' Government of the falsity of such reports, which the character of the British nation, and the manifest inutilty of urging the Indians to their destruction, should have rendered improbable, but in order that you may be enabled, in case it shall seem fitting to you by giving publicity to this letter to correct the mistaken notions on the subject, which have unfortunately found their way even among persons of the highest respectability, only as I am convinced, from their having been misinformed.

I have the honor to be, &c.

AUG. J. FOSTER.

Hon. James Monroe.

#### Mr. MONROE to Mr. FOSTER.

Department of State, Jan. 9, 1812.

Sir—I have had the honor to receive your letter of the 18th ult. disavowing any agency of your Government in the hostile measures of the Indian tribes towards the United States.—If the Indians desire any encouragement from any persons in those measures of hostility, it is very satisfactory to the President to receive from you an assurance that no authority or countenance was given to them by the British Government.

I have the honor to be, &c.

JAMES MONROE.

His Ex. Aug. J. Foster, &c.

Boston, January 31.

#### From Gibraltar.

Captain Atkins arrived on Wednesday from Ivica, Alicant and Gibraltar, was informed at the former place that the French were erecting batteries in the neighborhood of Valencia, for the purpose of attacking that place.

#### From the East Indies.

Mr. Hinckley, supercargo of the ship Topaz, arrived in town yesterday, and communicates the following:—

The ship Herme, from Batavia, with despatches to the 28th August, arrived at the Isle of France, the 18th of September last.

The English had taken Batavia, and all the west end of the Island. The armies were within 3 miles of each other. The English commanded by Sir Samuel Auchmuty, and the Dutch under General Johnson, not more than 13 miles from Batavia—the Dutch had about 2000 Europeans and 18,000 Malays.—The English had about 8000 Europeans and 10,000 Native troops. General Johnson had been summoned to capitulate, and there was not much doubt but it would soon take place, as they are in want of almost every thing. The English fleet round the Island had cut off all means of supply.

Captain Ingersol, who arrived here on Wednesday, left the Straights of Allas, 97 days since and understood from the Malays that all the Dutch settlements in Java had surrendered to the British.

New-York, January 30.

#### Latest from Havana.

Captain Dickinson, of the ship Juila, informs that a Spanish fleet of transports, with 7000 troops on board under convoy of a 74 and a gun brig, from Cadiz, bound to La Vera Cruz, put into Havana for provisions and water.

#### From Spain.

Captain Milward, of the brig Levant, from Algeiras, and last from Gibraltar, reports, that on the 28th of November, the French drove Balaiteros' army, about 5000 men, under the guns of Gibraltar, with a great number of men, women and children: there was a great deal of firing, and some killed on both sides: one Spanish General was said to be badly wounded. On the 29th the armed ships, gun-boats, &c. moored near the beach opposite St. Roche, where the French were, and kept up a constant fire the whole day. Two British regiments arrived from Tanita, to assist the Spaniards; but they re-embarked the next day on hearing the French had a reinforcement of 5000 men at Tariffa. On the 1st of December it was rumored that most of the French troops were marching towards Tariffa. Balaiteros' army marched through the town of Gibraltar, and embarked on board of transports prepared to receive them, bound to Tariffa, some of the transports sailed with the Levant. Captain Milward could not go on shore to get his file of newspapers, as no boat was suffered to land during the embarkation of the troops. The French are said to have from 12 to 15,000 men in the neighborhood.

Important.—We have been obligingly favored with the Savannah Republican of Jan. 2d, from which we have copied the following interesting article:—

"Savannah, 1st January, 1812.

"The Vice-Consul of France, in Savannah, to Mr. A. Bullsch, Collector of said Port of Savannah:

"SIR,

"From the odious encroachments committed in this city on the flag and the subjects of his Imperial Majesty, has proved the nullity in which the French Consul is placed, in order to fulfil his functions and protect the French subjects, I have received orders to retire. When this unwarrantable crime shall be punished; when the law protecting strangers will be re-established with the respect due by all civilized

nations; when finally, the authorities of this port will be able to offer security to the vessels and to the subjects of France, it is probable that I shall be ordered to return, and continue my functions.

"Your most obedient humble servant,  
LE MAROIS."

#### KINGSTON:

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1812.

The Provincial Parliament for the Province of Lower Canada, will meet at Quebec on the 21st instant, "for the dispatch of business."

#### For the KINGSTON GAZETTE.

##### MR. MILES,

I had, previous to the issuing of your last number, prepared an answer to "Flora," but chancing to show it to a Lady of my acquaintance, she assured me of the folly of "entering the lists" with a female scribbler, and at the same time offered to compose an answer by the time your next paper went to press, (and which I now enclose you.) This I very readily consented to, as I have a great antipathy to dispute with the fair. The present has got into the right hands, and I hope to see it carried on with proper spirit and decorum. I must beg, however, to assure Miss Flora, in answer to the last line of her poetic production, (which seems a personal allusion) that no gentleman who engrosses at "two pence per sheet" ought to be charged with the demerits of the productions of

SANDY.

LORD, Flora, my dear, pray tell what's the matter,

That Sandy's assail'd with this mystical clatter?  
For gazing with wonder, you've left us in doubt  
What these mystical lays have been raised about.  
Most surely you jest when you say you're offend-

Your name with his lines he dare thus to have blended,

Since Panny's perfections, or any such name,  
With equal pretensions his hyperbole claim.

Or does sanity whisper of all the fair throng  
To none but yourself can such beauties belong?

But when if be truly, sweet girl, did intend  
Thus highly your charms in his lines to commend,

Can you say you're so void of the fair sex's pride  
That self adulation's voice thus you deride?

Oh! silence such prud'ry & old maid nish tricks,  
"Tis hard, my dear Flora, to kick 'gainst the bricks."

LAURA.



#### DIED,

At Quebec, on the 24th ult. Mrs. Esther Prime, wife of Captain Prime, 10th Royal Veteran Battalion.—2d inst. Robert Woolsey, Esq. merchant of that city.—3d instant, Captain M'Millan, Canadian Regiment.

At Montreal, 29th ult. Miss Janet Aird, daughter of the late Mr. Robert Aird, merchant.—On the same day, Mr. Amos Brownson.—At William Henry, James Walker, Esq. M. D.

At Augusta, (v. c.) Ephraim Jones, Esq. He was many years in the Commissary department during the American war.

#### Auction.

THE subscriber gives notice that his sales at Auction for Monday the 24th inst. will be postponed to Friday the 28th.—When will be sold (positively without reserve) 1 barrel Peppermint Cordial, 1 barrel Shrub, 1 do. Whisky, 1 do. Port Wine, 4 kegs Plug Tobacco, about 30 lbs. Hyson Tea, 1 bale printed Calicoes, 1 do Furniture do. 1 do. Cotton Platillas, 1 piece Carpeting, 4 sets China, and a variety of other articles.

B. WHITNEY.

Kingston, 17th February, 1812.

#### TAYLORING, HABIT-MAKING & UNIFORMS.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the Ladies and Gentlemen of Kingston, that he has commenced the above business in all its various branches, at the house of Mr. JOHN BAYNE, near Mr. Poncet's Tavern, where all orders will be strictly attended to, and every favor gratefully acknowledged.

THOMAS BECKETT.

Kingston, 17th February, 1812. 14f

#### Notice!

AS the subscriber intends removing from this place so soon as he can arrange his business for that purpose, he earnestly requests every person or persons indebted to him, to make immediate payment, as he is determined to put every account which will remain unsettled on the first day of February next, into the hands of his Attorney.

GEORGE DOUGLAS.

Kingston, 8th January, 1812. 10f

#### PENMANSHIP

TAUGHT by the Subscriber upon a New, Improved and Systematic Plan, being a short and easy way to acquire a fair and plain hand writing in a short and simple manner. There being many who are destitute of writing, and are grown to the state of manhood, an opportunity is now presented to them to improve themselves in Penmanship, in a course of fifteen Exercises, only one hour and a half at each. Specimens and Improvements of those who have been instructed to their perfect satisfaction, may be seen at his School Room, where gentlemen are invited to call and satisfy their curiosity. The subscriber has opened his Writing School this day, at the House of Mr. HENRY BAKER, Kingston, February 18th, 1812.

N. B. Ladies and Gentlemen desirous of improving their hand Writing, the subscriber will attend them at their Apartments for a reasonable compensation.

CHARLES MACDONELL,

14f Instructor of Writing.

#### Take Notice.

ALL those indebted to the subscriber are requested to call and make payment immediately, or they will be sued without further notice; & all those who hold Notes or Accounts are desired to bring them forward.

RICHARD SMITH.

February 17.

50 Dollars Reward to any person who will prove to conviction the person or persons, who first reported that I had absconded. 14 3w

#### For Sale,

500 Acres of Land in the third Concession of the Township of Pittsburg, being Lots No. 6, half of No. 7, & No. 18.—For terms apply to the Subscriber, at Kingston.

H. C. THOMSON.

February 15, 1812. 14f

#### WILLIAM BAKER,

RESPECTFULLY informs the gentlemen of Kingston, and the Public in general, that he intends commencing the Joiner and Cabinet Business, at Point Frederick; where those who may favor him with their custom, may be assured that their work shall be done in the best manner, and on the shortest notice.

February 12.

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MR. EDITOR, the resistance made by Sir John Purcell, is highly applauded.—The means pursued to sell my property under the name of Law, is as repugnant to the Laws of the United Kingdom, of which I am and ever will be a faithful Subject, as it was to break into the House of that gentleman.—A Bond obtained by violence, a Jury composed of boys under age, and men that never were British Subjects, neither Freeholders:—Under these circumstances, I forbid the sale of my Goods, Chattels, Lands and Tenements, as advertised by the Sheriff, and rest in full confidence that the Government will protect my numerous offspring in the legal inheritance of their Father's Estate, the benevolent gift of a beloved Sovereign.

AMOS ANSLEY.

Kingston, February 14, 1812. 14

THE Subscriber proposes leaving this Province for Lower Canada in three weeks hence; therefore requests all those to whom he stands indebted, to send in their accounts.

One Batteau & one Skiff, one unfinished Calash, Chairs, Tables, and a variety of other articles, if not sold at private sale previous to the 20th inst. will be put to public sale on that day.

JNO. STEEL, Marine Department.

Point Frederick, near Kingston, } 15

7th Feb. 1812.

#### Town Meeting.

Midland District, ff.

BY virtue of a warrant signed by Joseph Forsyth, Esq. & Thomas Markland, Esq. two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for said District, and to me directed, the inhabitants and householders of the town and township of Kingston, Pittsburg and Wolf-Island, paying or liable to pay any public assessments or rates, are hereby notified to meet at the Court House in Kingston, on Monday, the 2nd day of March next, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of nominating and choosing fit persons to serve in the offices of town clerk, two assessors, one collector, one town warden, overseers of highways and roads, pound keepers, &c. for the year ensuing.

JOHN DARLEY, High Constable.

Kingston, Feb. 11, 1812. 15