

# INDEPENDENT GAZETTEER;

OR, THE  
CHRONICLE OF FREEDOM.

That the People have a Right to Freedom of Speech, and of writing, and publishing their Sentiments; therefore the Freedom of the Press ought not to be restrained. PENNSYLVANIA BILL OF RIGHTS.  
Let it be impressed upon your Minds—let it be instilled into your Children, that the Liberty of the Press is the PALLADIUM of all the civil, political, and religious Rights of FREEMEN.----- JUN 11'S.

PUBLISHED EVERY TUESDAY and SATURDAY.

To be Sold by the Subscriber,  
*Living on the Dock near the Drawbridge,*  
A QUANTITY of  
**Best Ben Soals & Draw Legs.**

He also takes this method to inform his former Customers, and the Public in general, that he  
**Has again began Business for himself,**

Tanning, Boot and Shoe-making, wholesale and retail.  
He also takes in  
**Hides to tann on the Shares.**

Gentlemen that please to favor him with their custom, may depend upon being served punctually, and to their satisfaction, By the Public's  
Very humble servant,  
**ALEXANDER RUTHERFORD,**  
N. B. Merchants in town and country, Captains of vessels, and others, that take any quantity of boots or shoes, shall have reasonable allowance. 45-48

**TO BE SOLD BY**  
**ROBERT BARNHILL,**  
In Second-Street, five doors below Arch-Street,  
A quantity of Buck, Goose, Duck, and Squirrel  
**S H O T,**  
**WHALEBONE by the Pound,**  
And, as usual, an assortment of  
**DRY GOODS.**  
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**Edward Hanlon, wine-cooper,**  
In Walnut-Street, between Front and Second-Street,  
Is much obliged to his Friends and Customers in general,  
For the favor of their orders and employment, for many years past,

Hoping, from his well known abilities,  
In Curing and Refining all kinds of  
**Wines, Cyder, & Malt Liquors,**  
He may still continue to deserve the custom and friendship of all his former acquaintance, and the very respectable public in general, as he is determined to use his utmost endeavours for their Satisfaction and accommodation.

For the further convenience of the public, the said HANLON  
**Hath taken a store-cellar,**  
In Front-Street, next door to Mr. John Reynell, at the corner of Front and Walnut-Street,  
Where he has for **S A L E,**

**Claret, Port, and Madeira Wines,**  
And is preparing an ASSORTMENT of the very BEST  
**Bottled Beer and Cyder,**  
For the ensuing season; all of which he will sell on the lowest terms.

N. B. He gives the highest price in CASH, for  
**Empty Bottles and best Velvet Corks,**

By the quantity. 42  
**PETER LOHRA,**  
Begs leave to inform the public in general, and his friends in particular,

THAT he has opened a Commission Store and Broker's Office, at the northwest corner of Arch and Water-Street: Where he receives to sell on commission, all kinds of merchandise; also buys and sells bills of exchange on France, Spain, Holland, and other parts of Europe, the West-Indies, and inland bills, Loan-Office, Quarter Master General's, and other certificates; buys and sells houses and lands, gets notes and bills discounted, and procures money on loan for a short time, and transacts every other kind of business as a Broker. Those who may please to favour him with their custom, may depend on having their business done with the greatest secrecy, care and dispatch.

N. B. He has for sale several valuable tracts of land, a few casks of Port Wine, &c. &c. 32

**WANTS A PLACE,** as an  
**Assistant in a Store or Warehouse,**  
A person who writes a good hand, understands accounts, and can have a good recommendation. A line addressed to C. C. and left with the printer, will be attended to. 47-49

Just imported from EUROPE, via BALTIMORE, and to be Sold, by  
**William Nichols, & Comp.**

At their Store on the North Side of Market-Street, opposite the Indian King Tavern,  
At the most reasonable Prices for ready Money, or Bills of Exchange,  
A large and neat Assortment of European and East-India Goods,  
Amongst which are the following Articles, viz.

**BEST** Superfine Broadcloths, with or without Silk Serge for lining, of the following Colours, viz. Scarlet, crimson, blue, green, plum, nut, grey, black, brown, drab, buff, claret, and mixt.  
Fine, middling, and coarse Cloths of various Colours, Ratteenets, Shalloons, Tamies.

A large and beautiful Assortment of light ground Chintzes and Calicoes, Of dark ground, Of Pompadour ground, Of double Purple ground, Of single Purple ground, Of Chocolate ground, ditto, A neat Assortment of printed Linens, Furgeture Calicoes, Crimson coloured Superfine Durants, Pink, deep blue, Sky blue, laylock, green, black, and white, ditto.

A large Assortment of Superfine Cambrics, suitable for Men's Summer wear, of the following Colours, viz. Chestnut, blue, green, grey, plum, nut, brown, mixt Cambrics and Cambletees, Men's mottled and white Silk Stockings, Men's Cotton and Thread do. Women's Silk, Cotton and Thread, ditto.

A large Assortment of Pins, Cambricks and Lawns, Fine Irish Hollands, Laval Linens, Selifas and brown Hollands, Broad and narrow Britannias, German Dowls, Drillings, Dumalk Table Cloths, Dpaper, Checkered and printed Lint Handkerchiefs, Fine Lawn Handkerchiefs, Stripe bordered, Kenting Handkerchiefs, and Apron Patterns, Fine Silk Gause Handkerchiefs, white, blue, red, and green bordered, Barcelona Silk Handkerchiefs, Spotted Bandana, ditto, Silk Romal Handkerchiefs, Cotton Romal, ditto, Millinet Gause, Cat Gut, Book Mullin, Plain Jacket Mullin,

Said William Nichols, and Company, return their sincere Thanks to those who have been pleased to favour them with their Custom, and request a Continuation of their Favors, assuring them at the same Time, that no Endeavours shall be wanting on their Part, to give general Satisfaction.

They do also most earnestly request all those who are indebted to William Nichols, or to William Nichols, and Company, by Bond, Note, or Book Account, to make speedy Payment, that they may be enabled thereby to be punctual in their Remittances, and have a constant Supply of the best and cheapest Goods, which they will vend to their Customers, at a moderate Profit. **WILLIAM NICHOLS, and Co.** Philadelphia, June 29. 12

**Samuel Miles, Deputy Quarter-Master for Pennsylvania,**

**REQUESTS** all persons who have public accounts to settle with him, to bring them in immediately. He shall not consider himself answerable for any difficulties that may arise in the settlement of such accounts in the Quarter-Master's department, as ought to be adjusted by him, to persons who neglect to bring them in before the first of January next, at which time he expects to be out of office. November 22, 1782. 43

The following is inserted from a principle of justice and impartiality to the persons who have been struck at by the letter-writer of the Assembly—though it must be observed that the letter which has occasioned this reply, was only copied, by particular desire, into the Independent Gazetteer from the Gazette and Weekly Journal.

**Mr. OSWALD,**  
**Y**OUR Gazetteer of the 7th instant, presents to your customers a tolerable sample of the epistles, which ignorant and prejudiced members of Assembly, are, I doubt not, but too apt to write from this city to their neighbours. The author of this letter seems to be newly elected, and not longer in town, than since the beginning of November last, and yet in less than four weeks, to have procured a complete flock of misinformation and calumny, against the constitutional whigs. The creature must indeed have been involved in a constant fog, whilst here, and could not have more than one ear open, during the sessions. Not a member of the house, indeed, could be better led and managed. But it is difficult to fathom, why this letter has been so carefully published, not only in your paper, but in two other newspapers of the last week, unless, by exhibiting the superior address, that some men have in manufacturing Assemblymen, it be intended to convince the said whigs, that it is in vain for them to struggle against so much industry, and such profound knowledge of human nature. The frange strange of lies and distorted facts, with some few truths, bundled together in this piece, can impose on none, but beings, as credulous, as this wretch of a man himself, appears to be. However, for the sake of such, but chiefly to let the country people see, by the aid of your extensive paper, how their representatives are practiced on and hood-winked in this place, I shall select a passage or two from this composition, and comment on the contents, with candour and truth. If I go wrong, I will willingly submit to correction. It will be easy to set me right. Take the following.

“General Potter has made himself ridiculous in the eyes of every body, by attacking himself to one Osborne, an Irish lady, who came over here two or three years ago. This fellow came to this city an intire stranger. He says he is a lawyer, but I believe he took up the trade in this country. There is a most scandalous story, propagated about him, which has never been contradicted. Potter under all these disadvantages, in respect to character, has made him his Aid-de-Camp, and solicitor in the great cause, between Pennsylvania and Connecticut, and appears with him at all times, as his friend and companion.”

The truth is; when General Potter came down to Council, he happened to take lodgings, in an house, where Osborne boarded; a circumstance which naturally led to an acquaintance, and brought them of ten together. It is probable enough, that the disadvantage of youth, under which Osborne was, did not weigh much with the other; much less could that of being born in Ireland hurt him with this gentleman, as he himself labours under the same indelible taint; the disgrace of which, there is no hiding, as the General preposterously considering it, as an honour, cannot be prevailed on to conceal it. This fellow, as he is called, had the spirit to go out as a volunteer, with the militia, who last assembled at Newtown; but he was not then, nor has he ever been Aid to General Potter. He has been appointed, solicitor to the lawyers employed for the state in the Connecticut cause. These gentlemen asked for such an assistant to search the records here; in the state of New-York; and in New-England. They recommended Mr. Osborne, as a proper person, to the late President and Council, who (and not merely General Potter) engaged his services for the state. Among the opprobriums collected against this gentleman, one is a self evident truth; that he came to this city an intire stranger. Every young person, from beyond seas, coming to a strange place, must be a stranger. But can he be told to the lessening of any man in Pennsylvania? There is, however, a scandalous story, which has followed this lad from Ireland. It happens, that a fact is connected with this story, (which had not been propagated, if Osborne were not a constitutional whig), that is manifestly false; to wit, that he never pretended to be a lawyer in Ireland. For on applying to be admitted, as an attorney here, he produced unequivocal evidence, that he was an attorney of the Kings Bench Court in Dublin, and his knowledge of the attorney practice confirmed his testimonials. If, since his arrival, he has improved in legal knowledge, it is to his credit, as well as advantage. The malvolence of party, so infamously displayed, as to mark out the worthy Potter for a sacrifice, has extended to poor Osborne, from a suspicion, that he interfered in the General's defence, on occasion of one of the blacket finders, that could be invented. It was darkly insinuated, (the whisperers did not speak out) that he had pocketed a large sum of public money, used for the defence of the frontiers. Hence, in truth and fact are we to account for the passage, above transcribed from the letter of a credulous fool, who seems capable of swallowing any stuff whatever.

Need we any further specimen of the preposited state of this booby's mind. If you do, take the following, “Keen has made his fortune out of the government. He got DoGor Hutchinson to bid for one of Galloway's farms on Schuylkill, for him, while he was President, and he has bought, nobody can tell how much of the Province land. I cannot tell you how much this man is despised in this city. The queries, we saw some time ago in Oswald's paper, about his wanting to go to the English in 1776, General Cadwallader is willing to swear to.”

If this man could be supposed to have gotten the truth, when he asserts, that General Reed has made his fortune out of the presidency, it will appear before long, from the adjustment of the public accounts; or rather from the inveterate illigence of his enemies. Such insinuations are easily made. But it is too obvious to those who live in town, that his salary, as President, paid almost wholly in paper money, did not defray his house-keeping. True it is he bought a lot of a few acres, not a large farm, which was Galloway's. What then? Had he not a right to do so? In like manner, he bought a lot in the Province land, but his agent went to such a prito

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POET'S CORNER.

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ON Schuykil's verdant banks I lay,  
 Reclined at my ease;  
 While lofty oaks, with ivy crown'd,  
 My fancy strove to please.  
 Serene and clear the sky appear'd,  
 With Sol's bright-rays adorn'd;  
 All nature seem'd delighted with  
 The Sylvan landscape round.  
 Lard by a myrtle grove there was,  
 By Venus sacred made;  
 And Cupid plac'd as sentinel,  
 To guard the secret shade.  
 Round which by moonlight on the green,  
 The elves and fairies play  
 In sportive gambols through the night,  
 Nor cease till dawning day.  
 It chanc'd, a Shepherd with his Nymph,  
 As near the same they walk'd;  
 Both burning with a mutual flame,  
 Of love's sweet influence talk'd.  
 'Celestial maid!' rejoind'd the youth,  
 'Thy love is all I crave;  
 'Nought else on earth inducement hath  
 'This wretched life to save.  
 'Believe, dear maid, this artless vow,  
 'Which now I make to thee;  
 'If ever faithless I should prove,  
 'Or change my constancy;  
 'May love on my ungrateful head  
 'His sharpest lightning pour;  
 'Or doom'd through deserts wild to stray  
 'Far from my native shore.'  
 The fiery steeds of Phœbus now  
 Meridian height had made;  
 And feather'd flocks and tender sheep,  
 For coolness sought the shade.  
 The am'rous pair were now advanc'd,  
 To Venus's fragrant grove;  
 And by its beauties were allur'd,  
 To taste the sweets of love.  
 An alter in the midst there grew,  
 Where various flow'rs unite  
 In colours that w'd with Iris's bow,  
 To charm the ravish'd sight.  
 And hov'ring o'er this beautiful spot,  
 The BLIND-BY took his dart;  
 Those two, he swore, should be as one  
 Ere he and them should part.  
 What could, alas! the fair one do,  
 By powers divine compell'd;  
 And press'd too by a youthful Swain,  
 Who ev'ry Swain excell'd.  
 The verdant alter then was crown'd  
 With loveliest pair e'er seen;  
 The youth he envy'd not great Jove,  
 Nor the Jove's mighty Queen.  
 All pleas'd with what I had beheld,  
 I softly stole away;  
 While Sol tar in the west reclin'd,  
 To Cynthia gave the day.

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December 5.

A few PIECES of  
**Black Modes and Lutestrings,**  
 To be Sold cheap, for cash, or a short credit, by  
**LEVINUS CLARKSON,**  
 At his father's house in Water-street, half way between Race  
 and Arch-streets. 47-49

**Mordecai Lewis, and Comp.**  
 Have for Sale, at their store in Second-street, near Spruce-  
 street, a neat assortment of broad and narrow  
**SUPERFINE CLOTHS,**  
 And a variety of other Goods. 47-49

**TENCH COXE,**  
 Has for Sale in Front-street, one door below  
 Union-street,

**BROWN** and spotted Camblets, Barra-  
 cands, Prunellas, blue, brown, and o-  
 live-coloured Broad Cloths, brown and scar-  
 let superfine do. purple Callicoës, Chintzes,  
 mens and womens silk Stockings, a variety of  
 linen Handkerchiefs, common and fine yard-  
 wide Linens, stout nine-eighth do. and Ozna-  
 burgs, brown and white Jeans and Dimities,  
 painted Cottons, wide and narrow Mantuas,  
 Perfians, sewing Silk, blond Lace, tambour'd  
 Vests, silk knit do. Gauzes, &c. Also Pork  
 in barrels, and white Bread in kegs.

A quantity of Medium  
 WRITING PAPER,

Suitable for Legers, Record-Books, &c.  
 TO BE SOLD BY  
**Joseph Cruikshank,**  
 Printer and Stationer, in Market-street, between  
 Second and Third Streets, who has for sale

The following Books,  
**JOHNSON'S** Dictiona-  
 ry, 2 vol. folio;  
 A Family Bible, with  
 Book of common pray-  
 er and Concordance;  
 Hume's, Rapin's, and Ri-  
 der's Hist. of England;  
 Entick's History of the  
 late War;  
 Goldsmith's Roman Hist.  
 Cruden's Concordance;  
 Prideaux's connexion of  
 the old and new Testa-  
 ment;  
 Ferguson's Astronomy;  
 Ferguson's Lectures;  
 Dyche's and Fenning's  
 Dictionaries;  
 Pope's Works, 9 vols.  
 — Iliad and Odyssey;  
 Josephus's Works;  
 British Plutarch;  
 Backmain's German  
 Grammar;  
 School Bibles;  
 Testaments;  
 Spelling-Books;  
 Primers;  
 English and German  
 Almanacks, for the  
 year 1783.

A L S O.  
 Folio and quarto post, foolscap and pot Wri-  
 ting Paper; Parchment; Ink-Powder; Wafers;  
 Sealing-Wax; Quills; and other Stationary.  
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Commission store & Bro-  
 ker's office,

O P E N E D B Y  
**Robert Ross, and Comp.**  
 In Water-street, six doors below Vine-street,  
 Who have for S A L E,

Sundry houses and lots. The particulars will  
 be mentioned in the next paper. Likewise,  
 Eight hundred pounds of depreciation certifi-  
 cates of the Pennsylvania line; a variety of  
 exceeding good mahogany furniture, &c.  
 N. B. Said Ross and company receive and  
 sell on commission at said store, all sorts of  
 goods, wares, merchandise, houses, lands,  
 shipping, horses and carriages, household fur-  
 niture and wearing apparel, &c. as they have  
 provided stores for the above purpose. Those  
 who will please to favor them with their com-  
 mands, either in town or country, shall be  
 strictly and faithfully obeyed by the public's  
 humble servants,  
**ROBERT ROSS, and Comp.**

One thousand pounds is wanted on good se-  
 curity. Inquire as above. 48

Three Pounds Reward.

**R**AN AWAY on Sunday morning, the  
 eight inst. an apprentice lad named  
 Isaac Hazleton or Athleman, about eighteen  
 years of age, five feet seven or eight inches  
 high, black hair, very swarthy complexion, a  
 sullen look, and much pitted with the small-  
 pox; took with him a brown double breasted  
 jacket, brown half thick trowsers, a blue coat  
 and breeches, a cloth coloured jacket, two  
 shirts, three pair of stockings, and an old bea-  
 ver hat. Also decoyed away with him a very  
 fine Dog, of the hound breed. Whoever  
 takes up the said run away, and secures him  
 in any goal, or returns him to me in this city,  
 shall have the above reward, and all reasonable  
 charges paid by JOHN BECK, Taylor in  
 Front-street.

N. B. All persons are forbid to harbour or  
 conceal him, and all masters of vessels from  
 carrying him off.

W A N T E D,

**A** Person that can cook, and do the work  
 in a kitchen. She must be well re-  
 commended for sobriety, honesty, and clean-  
 liness. Inquire of the Printer.

The annual communication of  
 the Grand Lodge of Pennsylv-  
 vania, is to be held at the  
 Lodge, in Lodge-Alley, on  
 Monday, the 23d of Decem-  
 ber inst. at ten o'clock, A. M.  
 at which time and place all of-  
 ficers of lodges holding war-  
 rants under this Grand Lodge,  
 will punctually attend.

Grand officers for the ensu-  
 ing year are to be elected, and  
 other business of consequence  
 to be transacted.

By order of the R. W.  
 Grand-Master,  
**JOSEPH HOWELL, jun.**  
 D. G. Secretary.

To be Sold by Robert Cocks,

In Water-Street, below Walnut-Street,  
 Wholesale and Retail,  
**O**LD Madeira Wine,  
 Best Jamaica Spirits,  
 French Brandy,  
 Ditto Rum,  
 Most excellent Vinegar,  
 Durham Mustard,  
 Codfish of the first quality,  
 Allum Salt,  
 A few Dry Goods,  
 One trunk of Hair-Powder,  
 Best polished Sad-Irons, and  
 A few pair of Bellows. 40

TO BE SOLD, BY  
**SAMUEL LEWIS WHARTON,**  
 At his store in Water-street, the fifth door from the corner of  
 Walnut-street,  
 An elegant assortment of

**F**IGURED Silks,  
 Tambour'd silk Vests,  
 Silk knit Vests,  
 Sewing silks,  
 Black silk Breeches Patterns,  
 Cravats,  
 Blaud Laces,  
 Manchester Mullins,  
 Plated Shoe and Knee Buckles,  
 Folio and quarto Writing Paper,  
 A quantity of Linens, all which will be disposed of reason-  
 able for cash. 38

Just come to hand, and  
 To Be Sold at the  
**P R I N T I N G - O F F I C E,**  
 Next door to the Coffee-House,  
 Price Five Shillings,  
 A FEW COPIES of  
**M ' F I N G A L,**  
 A Modern Epic Poem, in four Cantos.

**T**HIS Work is chiefly of the humorous and satirical Kind,  
 on the Subject of the present Revolution. Such Scenes  
 are selected as to present to the World an entertaining, historical  
 Picture of the Times, the Characters of the more noted Tories,  
 the Means and Measures by which the War has been pursued,  
 and the military Actions of some of the principal Officers in the  
 British Army and Navy. Some just Paegyrics on Persons more  
 worthy and illustrious are intersperced. Such a work happily  
 executed, it is imagined, must be highly entertaining and in-  
 structive, and particularly so at this Time. How it is executed,  
 a small Number have had a Specimen of the first Part, printed  
 a few Years past in this City. Those will easily recollect  
 with what Pleasure it was received by Persons of real Genius  
 and true Criticism. It was reprinted, and passed through several  
 Editions in London, and extorted great Praise even from the  
 Objects of its keen Satire and Humour. The critical and month-  
 ly Reviewers take Notice of it as an American Production of  
 high Merit, and one of them celebrates the Author's Genius,  
 as in no Respect inferior to his Predecessor Hudibras of merry  
 Memory.

John Compty has

For Sale, at his store in Second-street, between Market and  
 Arch-street, and the third door from the sign of the George,  
**A general assortment of Dry  
 Goods,**

Amongst which are,  
**A**VARIETY of superfine, Second, and coarse Cloths,  
 also best Naps of different colours, and a few pieces of  
 self Cotton Velvets, Chintzes, Calicoës, and various articles  
 suitable for the season; also Tin in casks, China, and sundry o-  
 ther articles of Hard Ware, Red and Yellow Lead ground in  
 oil, which he will dispose of at the lowest price for cash.  
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