

New-York, November 18.

By the schooner Live Oak, Capt. Britt, we have received advices from St. Bart's to the 30th and St. Thomas to the 31st ultimo.—News had been received at St. Thomas of two hurricanes, experienced in the Windward Islands on the 5th and 15th October; the effects of the latter most calamitous, having totally destroyed the prospect of the crop, which was very flattering. The accounts state that the gale was even more severe than the hurricane of the 21st September. Several drogers had arrived to obtain supplies, the estates being totally destroyed. The accounts are principally from Barbados. The leeward islands felt nothing of the gale.

ALBANY, November 19.

Destructive fire at Schenectady.

It is with painful sensations we communicate to our readers the following melancholy detail, copied from the Daily Advertiser of yesterday. We can only add, on the authority of a gentleman who came from Schenectady yesterday, and who had surveyed the ruins in order to ascertain their extent, that seventy-five dwelling houses and stores, and about an equal number of barns and other out buildings, were destroyed. We understand that only a comparatively small amount of the property was insured.

Destructive Fire.—We are indebted to the politeness of Mr. Barnet Sanders, of this city, for the following particulars of a most destructive fire which yesterday took place in the city of Schenectady, and at which he was present.

The fire commenced in a currier's shop, in Frog-alley or Water-street, near the store of John Moyston, at 4 o'clock in the morning, and before it was got under destroyed the following property.

In State-street.—John Moyston's dwelling-house and store; widow Vrooman's dwelling house; William Lyman's store house—and here the fire was arrested in this direction; Hugh and Daniel Martin's dwelling house and store; Isaac De Graff's dwelling-house.

In Church street.—John Prouty's dwelling house, a frame building and the Female Academy.

In Union street.—The dwelling house of the widow of Wm. J. Teller; dwelling house owned by the heirs of James Duane, deceased; John de Craff and Co's store, formerly James Murdoch's, corner of Washington and Union streets.

In Washington street.—Cornelius Z. Van Santvoort's dwelling house; Widow Murdoch's dwelling house and store; Gen. Abraham Oothout's dwelling house, stores, &c.; Widow Clure's dwelling house; James V. S. Riley's do.; Dorsey Joice's do.; Andrew N. Van Patten's do.; Myndert Van Guysling's store; Samuel Lee's store; Sager Van Santvoort's dwelling house; George Cooper's dwelling house; David Hussey's dwelling house and store; John B. Van Eps' four dwelling houses; James Carley's Toll and Brooks' store; dwelling house owned by the heirs of John S. Glen; Eri Lusher's new dwelling house; Widow Peter's do.; dwelling house and store occupied by Richard M. Michael and owned by S. Lush, Esq. of this city; dwelling house occupied by the widow of Jacob Beekman, and owned by his heirs; Jellis A. Ponda's dwelling house; Jacob Ponda's do. occupied by Richard Freeman; do. occupied by the widow of Peter F. Veeder.—All the stores & buildings on the river, from the forwarding stores of Jacob S. Glen and Eri Lusher, burnt. The 2 stores were saved, and the goods removed into boats for safety.

In Front-street.—John S. Ten Eyck's dwelling house; Dr. Toll's do.; dwelling house lately occupied by Henry Glen, deceased; James Teller's do.; dwelling house occupied by Peter Brewer, and owned by Joseph C. Yates, Esq.

The bridge over the Mohawk was saved by the greatest exertion, having been on fire at every pier.

NORTHAMPTON, Nov. 16.

The remains of the late Governor STRONG were interred on Thursday last. The occasion was deeply interesting. Notwithstanding the lowering aspect of the day, an immense number of people assembled. Throughout the town, business was suspended and the offices, stores and shops, were closed. The spontaneous homage which was paid in the undissembled grief of thousands present, was the most consolatory demonstration of respect for the memory of the deceased, and the most honorable testimony to his worth. The Court of Common Pleas, which was sitting in Franklin, on motion of Mr. Allen, adjourned; and two of its members, with most of its officers attended. After the Sermon, which was delivered by the Rev. Joseph Lyman, D. D. and the other exercises of the church, in which the Rev. Mr. Woodbridge of Hadley, and the Rev. Samuel P. Williams of this town took a part, the funeral procession was formed, under the direction of a committee of the town, in the following order:

Constables of the town, with black wands. The Carriers.

Hon. J. Lyman, Hon. S. Strong, Hon. S. Porter, A. Pomeroy, Esq., B. Tappan, Esq., Hon. E. Starkweather.



The Children and Grand-children of the deceased. Domestic of the family of the deceased. Rev. Solomon Williams and family. Hon. Samuel Hineckley and family. Hon. John Hooker and family. Doct. William Hooker and family. Mrs. E. P. Ashmun and family. Hon. Jonathan H. Lyman and family. Officiating Clergy and attending Physician. Selectmen of Northampton. Secretary and Treasurer. Overseers. Sheriff of Franklin. Judges of Courts. Clerk and County Treasurer. Gentlemen of the Bar. Magistrates. Clergy. Citizens. Carriages.

Thus the procession moved to the place of sepulture, and closed the grave in silent sadness upon all that was mortal of CALEB STRONG.

CONNECTICUT COURANT.

HARTFORD, NOVEMBER 23.

We have occasion in this week's paper to record another calamitous fire, which occurred last week in Schenectady, by which a very considerable part of the town is reduced to ashes; and property to an immense amount destroyed. It is worthy of remark, that so great a scarcity of water has not been known here, for many years; and we have hardly ever known a time, when a fire was more to be dreaded than at present. It is hoped our citizens will feel the importance of great caution on this subject; and not, for the want of a little care, expose themselves and neighbors to great loss and distress.

We hear the question often asked, are we to have a night watch? It would be well to make the enquiry directly, of the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council.

MARRIED.—At East-Windsor, by the Rev. Mr. Bartlett, Whiting Cooley, Esq. of Cambridge, (Ms.) to Miss Clarissa Allen.—At Lansingburgh, (N. Y.) Col. Alfred Wilcox, of Chatham, in this State, to Miss Mary W. Cone, daughter of Dr. T. Cone.—At Windham, Mr. Justice Swift to Miss Lucy Latrop.—At Waterford, Mr. Benjamin Brown to Miss Sally Rogers.—At Portland, (Me.) John P. Brace, Esq. of Litchfield, to Miss Lucy E. Porter.—At Norwalk, Mr. Alfred Pratt to Miss Clarissa Hoyt; Mr. Samuel Smith, of Sheffield, (Ms.) to Miss Henrietta Hurlbut.—At Wallingford, Mr. Alexander Harrison, of New-Haven, to Miss Sarah G. Reynolds.—At Milford, Mr. Charles W. Allen, of New-Haven, to Miss Lucy B. Andrews.—At New-York, Col. George Kinney, of Norwich, to Miss Eliza G. Caboose.—At Ashford, the Rev. Anson S. Atwood to Miss Sarah Palmer, daughter of Dr. Joseph Palmer.—At Guilford, Mr. Allen Skinner, of Haddam, to Miss Wealthy Scranton.—At Middletown, Mr. Robert Sizer to Miss Eliza Curtis.—At Chatham, Mr. Charles Williams to Miss Abigail Gleason; Mr. Wadsworth Richmond to Miss Clarissa Bailey.—At Winsted, Mr. William H. Masters to Miss Emeline H. Keyes.

DIED.—On Sunday morning, Nov. 14th, at his residence in Stratford, (Conn.) in the 93d year of his age, WILLIAM SAMUEL JOHNSON, L. L. D. late President of Columbia College, &c. Dr. Johnson was the eldest son of the Rev. Dr. Johnson, the first President of the College of this city, a man to whom the religion and learning of this country are indebted for many important services. He was born at Stratford, (Conn.) in 1727, and was educated at Yale College, where he received the degree of A. B. in 1744. He afterwards pursued his studies for some time at Harvard University, where he was admitted to the degree of A. M. in 1747, and his name has for several years appeared in the catalogue of that institution, as the oldest living graduate. He then applied himself to the study of the law, and his first appearance at the bar, forms an epoch in the legal history of his native state. The legal system of Connecticut was at that time, exceedingly crude, and the irregular equity by which the courts were guided was rather perplexed than enlightened, by occasional recurrence to a few of the older common law authorities, which were respected without being understood.

Dalton's Sheriff, and Justice of Peace, and one or two of the older books of Precedents, formed the whole library of the bar and the bench. General literature and taste were, if possible, at a still lower ebb among the profession. Mr. Johnson, gifted with every external grace of the orator, a voice of the finest and richest tones, a copious and flowing elocution, and a mind stored with elegant literature, appeared at the bar with a fascination of language and manner, which those who heard him had never even conceived it possible to unite with the technical address of an advocate.

At the same time, he rendered a still more important service to his countrymen, by introducing to their knowledge the liberal decisions of Lord Mansfield, the doctrines of the civilians, and afterwards (as more general questions arose) the authorities and reasonings of Grotius, Puffendorf, and the other great teachers of natural and public law.

He soon rose to the highest professional reputation, and after passing with honour through almost all the respectable elective offices of the colony, was sent in 1766 by the colonial legislature, to England, as their Agent Extraordinary, for the purpose of arguing before the royal council, a great land cause of the highest importance to the colony. He remained in England until 1771.

During his residence in London, he became intimately acquainted with many of those great men, who in various walks of science and letters, of the church and the law, contributed to make that period of English history so splendid, Secker, Berkeley, the amiable and elegant Lowth, Horne, Porteus, Newton, Jones, Sir John Pringle, Wedderburn, Dunning, Burke, and Lord Mansfield, were among his warmest friends. Dr. Samuel Johnson, too, who had not yet learnt to hate the Americans, took a particular liking to his transatlantic namesake, claimed relationship with him, (though the connection was never very clearly made out,) and after his return to his country kept up a correspondence with him for some years. During this period, the University of Oxford conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Civil Law, and he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society, on the recommendation of Sir John Pringle, who was at that time its president.

After his return to his native country, he again applied himself to his profession, and some time after was appointed one of the judges of the superior court of Connecticut. He also represented the state for some years under the old confederation. Upon the calling of the convention at Philadelphia, for the purpose of framing a new constitution for the U. S. Dr. J. was sent as delegate from his native state, in company with Ellsworth and Sherman. Here he was eminently useful. Great as the talents of that illustrious assembly were, yet its deliberations were often impeded by jarring interests and local feelings. Dr. Johnson's views were all liberal and rational, and "seeking peace in the spirit of peace," he was frequently the happy instrument of conciliation between the jealousies and fears of the smaller states, and the claims of the great ones. The most peculiar and original feature of our government, is understood to have been suggested by him. He first proposed the organization of the senate as a distinct body, in which the state sovereignties should be equally represented and guarded, while the weight of population might be felt in the house of representatives.

On the first organization of the new constitution, Dr. J. was elected a senator in congress, and in that station largely contributed to form those institutions and to lay down those rules which were hereafter to give to the new government its energy and direction.

Among other acts of great public importance the bill for organizing the judiciary establishment of the U. S. was drawn up by him in concert with his colleague Oliver Ellsworth. This was not only a work of much labour, but of some address, as it was necessary to form a system which might not only answer the great ends of public justice, but at the same time preserve a great uniformity in the mode of its administration and maintain the authority of the national government, without encroaching upon the state jurisdictions or rudely innovating upon their established forms of practice.

About this period Columbia College which had fallen into decay during the war, was re-organized and began to attract some share of public attention and patronage. In 1792 Dr. Johnson was elected to the presidency and continued to fill that station with great dignity and usefulness until 1800, when in consequence of the infirmities of advancing age he resigned his office and returned to his native village, where he has ever since resided.

Though retired from busy life he retained to the last the vigour and activity of his mind, the ardour of his literary curiosity, and the most lively interest in all that concerned the welfare of his country and of the christian world. There are some noble lines of S. Johnson, which the writer of this notice has frequently applied to him, and no language could more happily describe his virtuous and venerable age.

The virtues of a temperate prime, Bless with an age exempt from scorn or crime,

An age that melts with unperceived decay, And guides in pious innocence away; Whose peaceful day benevolence endears, Whose might congratulating conscience cheers, The general favorite as the general friend, Such age there is, and who shall wish its end?

His age so far extended beyond the ordinary lot of man, the purity of his life, the kindness and humility of his disposition, and the unshaken confidence of his religious faith, all conspired to invest his character with a sacredness which almost made him regarded as a being belonging to another world, though still lingering among us; and the feelings which his death has excited, are rather solemn than sad. His name is strongly associated with many of our most valuable institutions, and will continue to be venerable, as it has long been dear, to his countrymen. N. Y. Evening Post.

DIED.—At Windsor, on the 11th inst. Miss Delia Clark, aged 22, daughter of Mr. Asahel Clark.—At Stafford, on the 8th inst. Deacon Silas Walker, aged 34.—At Hertland, Mrs. Betsey Graham, aged 33, wife of Mr. Asahel Graham.—At Waterford, Mr. Ezekiel Brooks, aged 87.—At Colchester, Mrs. Lucia Brown, aged 34, wife of Mr. Asahel Brown.—Drowned, on his passage from Norfolk to Hampton, Mr. Henry Northrop, aged 21, son of Mr. Isaac Northrop, of Woodbridge.—At New-Haven, Mr. Gershom Brown, aged 60.—At Lyme, Mr. William Chappell, jr. aged 29; Mrs. Mary Ann Noyes, aged 51.—In Maryland, the Hon. Thomas Johnson, formerly Governor of that State.—At Bennington, (Vt.) the Hon. Jonathan Robinson, aged 65, late Senator in the Congress of the U. S.—At Brunswick, (Me.) the Rev. Jesse Appleton, D. D., aged 47, second president of Bowdoin College.—At East-Windsor, on the 8th inst. Mrs. Anne Stoughton, aged 77, relict of Col. Lemuel Stoughton.—At Wethersfield, on the 3d inst. Mrs. Mercy Goodrich, aged 83.

In Frederick county, (Maryland,) the Hon. Thomas Sim Lee, aged 75, formerly governor of that state.

MARINE LIST. PORT OF HARTFORD.

Nov. 13.—Sailed, sloop Cock Robin, Hatch, Falmouth; Nancy, Farmer, Providence; William, Abin, do.

15.—Sailed, sloops Rose-in-Bloom, Coleman, Nantucket; Leopard, do. do.

Arrived, sloop Olive Branch, Goodspeed, Nantucket; Gleaner, Rodgers, New-London.

Sailed, sloops Belvidere, Lovell, Barnstable; Fidelia, Turner, New-York; Industry, Comstock, New-Haven; Adeline, Bearse, Nantucket.

17.—Arrived, sloops Actress, Wood, N. York; Columbia, Cooley, Providence; Fair American, Smith, do.; schr. Eliza and Nancy, White, Richmond; schr. Spartan, Montague, Charleston; sloop Susan, Tucker, Providence; Deane, Buckley, Philadelphia; Volant, Wright, Killingworth; Mary-Ann, Perry, Passamaquoddy; schr. Pearl, Wagner, New-York; sloop Mary, Percival, Boston; James, Flowers, do.; Elizabeth, Steel, New-York.

Sailed, sloops James, Rockwell, New-York; Only-Daughter, Lewis, Barnstable.

Arrived, sloop Intrepid, Smith, New-York; schr. Rambler, Nickerson, Dennis, do.; Polly, Barker, do.; schr. Primrose, Howland, Dartmouth; sloop Leonidas, Ingraham, Boston; schr. Thomas, John, do.; schr. Resolution, Dennis.

18.—Sailed, sloop Darien, Savage, Charleston; Burdett, Gaines, New-York; Julian, Crosby, Barnstable; Deane, Buckley, Rocky-Hill.

19.—Sailed, sloop Hercules, Baker, Barnstable; schr. Resolution, Dennis.

Arrived, brig George, Pratt, 34 days from St. Jago de Cuba, with sugar, molasses, hides, &c. to S. & W. Kellogg.

The George has lost her main-mast, in a gale, 20 days since.

METEOROLOGICAL JOURNAL, Kept at Hartford Nov. 14 to 20. Table with columns for Thermometer, Prevailing Wind, and Weather.

Hartford, November 20, 1819. WILLIAM WATSON, Has received from New-York a new supply of GOODS, and offers the following articles unusually cheap for cash, at wholesale or retail. 60 P's. best plaid twill'd Bombazetts for gentlemen and ladies' Cloaks. 260 Pieces black and colored Bombazetts. 6-4, 7-4 and 8-4 white, scarlet, sage and Crab Cassimere Shawls. White Imitation and black silk lace Shawls. Striped and plaid Italian Loustrings. Plaid and changeable Florence do. Black Levantine. do. India Saracnets and Syncnews. Silk, flagg, and bandanna Handk'ns. Cotton do. do. Black, blue, green and crimson silk Velvets. do. do. orange and white Tabby do. Best London superfine black and blue Cloths and Cassimeres. London fine brown, bottle and blue do. do. do. Low priced do. do. Yellow and white Flannels. English Ingrain Carpetings. Carpet Bindings and Bed Lace. Furniture Dimity. Garniture Ribbons. Black do. Silk Umbrellas. Best superfine and toilaet Vestings. Steam loom Cotton Shirtings. American do. do. and Sheetings. 7-8 and 4-4 Irish Linens. 7-4 and 8-4 Damask Table Linen. Low priced Gingham and Cotton Stripes. Ladies' white silk Hosiery. do. black and colored Worsted do. Mens' lambs wool Hose, and worsted half Hose. Best black and blue silk Twist. Ladies' white, black and colored Kid Gloves. do. Beaver do. English white silk do. 9-8 and 5-4 Jaconet Cartrics. 9-8 and 6-4 Cambric Mustins. Mens' Jaconet Handkerchiefs. Holt's 3 cord wire Thread. Black and white Crapes. Imitation Russia Sheetings. Nett Suspenders. Yellow, gilt and plated Ball Buttons. Single, double and triple gilt Coat and Vest do. No 3 1/2, 4 & 5 Pins—Knives & Forks—Peanknives. 200 fancy boxes with Pins. 4w 61

NOTICE. The copartnership heretofore existing between the subscribers under the firm of E. & J. CLARK, is this day by mutual consent dissolved. EBENEZER CLARK, JONATHAN CLARK. October 18, 1819. All persons indebted to said firm are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber, who is authorised to settle the accounts of said firm; and who continues business at the stand lately occupied by E. & J. Clark. EBENEZER CLARK. Somers, Nov. 23. 61