WASHINGTON, OCL 29.

of War.

HEAD QUARTERS, LEWISTOWN, Oct. 14. 1812.

sons and motives which governed me; Every precaution was now adopted as donable neglect of their fellow soldiers gave been apwards of a year without a pay "sentiments, and to be actuated by the same and if the result is not all that might have to boats, and the most confidential and up the conflict. been wished, it is such, that when the experienced men to manage them. At I can only add that the victory was really months. This was owing to the dis poets a cribes to the deceiver of mankind whole ground shall be viewed, I shall in early hour in the night, lieut, colone! won; but lost for the want of a small rein persed state of our troops on the west-

ment of my country. rapidly advancing; and that (to repeat Falls—at 8 o'clock, Meads—and at 9. the same words) " the blow must be soon lieut. col. Blan's regiment marched from the concerns consequent of such a battle, that to nary war. But ask any man of con now that he has become the candidate of men, atruck, or all the toil and expence of the the same place. All were in camp in I have not been able to forward this dispatch sideration, what time it requires to or whom he thus described three years ago. campaign go for nothing; and worse than good season. Agreeably to my orders nothing, for the whole will be tinged with istued upon this occasion, the two co-

questing an interview with him, major achment of regulars; and the other general Hall, and the commandants of roops to foll w in order the United States' regiments, for the At dawn of day the boats were all in rea upon any day for the consultation.

of lieut. Elliott, (of which, however, I was now pened upon the bouts from three have received no official information) different batterie -ou battery returned and his aid de camp mortelly wounded. began to excite a strong disposition it their fire, and occasionally threw graps up the troops to act. This was expressed on the shore, and was itself served with pect and consideration, your most obedient to me through various channels in the shells from a small mortar of the enemy's shape of on alternative; that they mus! Col Scott, of the artillery, by hasten ng servant. have orders to act; or, at all hazards his more from Niagura Falls in the night. they would go home. I forbear her ar ved in season to eturn the enemy's fire commenting upon the obvious const with two six pounders. quences to me, personally, of longer The boats were somewhat embarras ed

cumptances. duced great zeal to act; more especiali as it might have a controling effect upo the movements at Detroit, where it was supposed gen Brock had gone with all the torce he dared spare from the Ni. gara frontier. The best preparations in my power were, therefore, made to dislodge the enemy from the heights o Queen'stown, and possess ourselves of the village, where the troops might be sheltered from the inclemency of the

weather. Lieut. col. Fenwick's flying artillery and a detachment of regular troops un der his command, were ordered to be in senson from Fort Niagara. Order were also sent to general Smyth to send down from Buff Ine such detachment his brigade as existing circum tances i that vicinity might warrant. The attack was to have been made at 4 o'clo k In the morning of the 11th, by crossi : The enemy then retreated behind a large Herald" and re published in the New York | Resolved, That union and concert, found vernment with such energy and spirit, site the heights. To avoid any emberrassment in crossing the river (which is

nued until I could submit the plan sug. so Juage Peck who happened to be here er | due them. gested in my letter of the 8th, that I horting the companies to proceed—but all in It fortunately happered that Mr. Secreta of he republican party, knowing as they de might act under and in conformity to the vain. opinion which might be then expressed. At this time a large reinforcement from But my hope was idle: the previously Fort George were discovered coming up the excited ardor seemed to have gained river. As the battery on the hill was consi new heat from the late miscarriage- dered an important check against their as the brave were mortified to stop short cending the heights, measures were immeof their object, and the timid thought diately taken to send them a fresh supply of laurels half won by an attempt.

the pressure upon me from all quar inforcements, however, obliqued to the right on and the service in disgrace.

Viewing affairs at Buffaloe as yet un

he obstinate and long continued.

cheerfully submit myself to the judg. Christie marched his detachment, by forcement. One third part of the idle men ern frontiers. But never did I hear of the rear road, from Niagara to Camp. might have saved all. lumns were to pass over together; and 5th inst. written to brigadier genera lieut. col. Fenwick's flying artillery was Smyth, of the United States' forces, re to pass over; then major Mullany's de-

purpose of conferring upon the subject diness, and the troops commenced embark of future operations. I wrote majer ge | ng, under the cover of a commanding but neral Hall to the same purport. On the tery mounting 2 eighteen pounders and two 11th, I had received no answer from ge sixes. The movement was soon discovered In the mean time, the partial succes much fire with safety. A brisk cannonade

withholding my orders under such cir- with the eddies, as well as with a shower of shot : but col. Van Renssalter with about I had a conferrence with - as to 100 men soon effected his landing amidse the possibility of getting some person tremendous fire directed upon him from e SIR. to pass over to Canada and obtain cor very point, but to the astenishment of all For any further particulars respecting the must have forever tarnished the small rect information. On the morning o who witnessed the scene, this van of the co action; the present situation and movements the 4th, he wrote to me that he had pro | lumn advanced - wly against the fire It four troops; the appearance of the enemy's ter. cured the man who bore his letter to ge was a serious misfortune to the van, and ituation; and our future prospects, general over. Instructions were given him; he indeed to the whole expedition, that in a few ! I beg leave to refer you to Captain Dox. passed over-obtained such informati minutes after landing, col Vin Rensselaci who will have the honor to deliver you this on as warranted an immediate attack received four wou ds-a ball passed through ispatch Captain Dox is an intelligent This was confidentially communicate his right thigh, entering just below the hip ficer and much reliance may be placed on to several of my first officers, and pro | bone-another shot passed through the same his information and judgment. thigh, a little below -the third through the I am, with great respect, sir, your obedicalf of his left leg-and a fourth cartused ent servant. his heel This was quite a crisis in the ex edition. Under so severe a fire it was dif ficult to form raw trroops. By some mis management of the batmen, lieut. colon. Christie did not arrive until some time after this, and was wounded in the hand in passing the river. Col Van Rensselaer was still able to stand; and with great presence of mind ordered his offi ers to proceed with rs. SIR, pidity and storm the Fort This service was However incompatible it may be with gallantly performed and the enemy driven the character and profession of a soldier, to momentous in its onsequences to the nation, lence, yet, as government were brought down the hill in every direct on. Soon af enter into the party politics of the day yet as to call upon all faithful citizens to regard into such circumstances as that they ter this both parties were co sid robly rein- when the honor of the government, the it as a contest for their country's rights, he must either declare wer, and support our forced, and the corflict was renewed in vail corps he commands, and his personal fame berties, and honor, and not for men ous places - many of the enemy took shelter ere wantenly attacked, and attempted to be Re ofved, That the republicans of the U store house; but in a short time the round Herald, of October 3d, is not only calculat so necessary during peace, became incalculate as will effectually convince our enemies became general, and the enemy's fire was si | ed to bring disrepute on the government | lab y more essential at the commencement | hat we are an united, free and indepenjenced except from a one gun battery so far but to hold up our army as a mob wanting in of a wor with a government w ich boasts of dent people, and that we are determined here a sheet of violent eddies) experi- down the river as to be out of the reach of our discipline as well as patriousm. The piece having a "a party" in our country. enced boatmen were procured to take heavy ordnance and our light pi ces could alluded to is as follows, viz. place far up the river; and there, in was taking measures for fertifying my camp cupy columns. Two or three facts of re people. most extraordinary manner, fastened mmediately the direction of this service I cent occurrence, which have come to my Resolved. That if there had not been any his boat to the shore, and abandoned the committed to lieut Totten, of the engineers knowledge, are in point and worthy of re recommendation of candidates in the usual he nations of the earth not only be able detachment. In this front bout he had But very soon the enemy were reinforced by cord. It is then a fact (for I state it on the carried nearly every our which was pre a detachment of several hundred Indians best authority) that either the national trea. all probability, so many rival interests a pared for all the boats. In this agonizing from Chipaws-they commenced a furious enry is so miserably empty, or the proper mongst republicans, as to have afforded an dilemma, stood afficers and men, whose attack; but were promptly met and routed department so deficient in duty, that the ar opportunity to their enemies to triumph by ardor had not been cooled by exposure by the rifle and bayonet. By this time I my under General D arborn which has so their discord. through the night to one of the most tre perceived my troops were imbarking vary long been idling away their time near Albalacr was to have commanded the detach- men by every consideration to pass over-but would not more until paid. In this refusal both. in vain. Lieut col. Bloom, who had been they were justified by their Colonel, an old After this result, I had hoped the pa- wounded in action returned mounted his soldier, who admitted they ought not to march Witt Clinton, even if they have not bar a British letter af marque of 22 guns and 50

ammunition, as I had learnt there were left On the marning of the 12 h, such was only 20 shot for the 18 pounders. The re ters, that I became satisfied that my re- from the road, and formed a junction with on the 31st. And within three days of the support ought to be so considered, fusal to act might involve me in suspici | the Indians in the rear of the heights. Find | Because he suffered his name to be used by | with one of the unfortunate men impressed on

upon the fullure of the first expedition; were quite exhausted & nearly out of ammuni the accounts of the recruits. Copies of Letters from Maj. Gen. Van but having now determined to attack tion all I could do wasto send them a fresh sup becondly. That those funds were re- an instrument for exciting division, by mon. RANSSELAER, of the New York Militia, Queen'stown, I sent new orders to gen ply of cartridges Acthis critical moment ldis ceived by the regimental paymaster, whom in the aforesaid speech he called " a to Maj. Gen, HENET DEARBORN, trans | mith to march; not with the view of patched a note to gen. Wadsworth, a quaint from the district paymaster, Mr. Ea- faction acting in obedience to the nod of a mitted by the latter to the Department his sid in the attack, for I considered aghin with our situation-leaving the course kins, who was then at Albany, and not "foreign government (Britain.") the force detached sufficient, but to sup to be pursued much to his own judgment from Mr. Gallatin, whom (it is believ. Because he is now eulogized by men to port the detachment should the conflict -with assurance that if he tho't best to re. ed) did not arrive till after the regiment whom in the aforesaid speech, he said the treat, I would endeavor to send as many moved from Greenbush. These facts British ministry ' dispensed the aliment of Lieut. col. Christie, who had just ar boats as I could command, and cover his re- can be corroborated by every officer of faction (money) in order to cherish a Bris-SIR-As the movements of the army rived at the Four Mile Creek, had late treat by every fire I could safely make. - But the 15 h infantry, who one and all, deem "tish party in America" under my command, since I had last the in the night of the first contemplated at. the boats were dispersed—many the boatmen the paragraph published in the Herald . Become he is now supported by men, of honor to address you on the 8 h instant, tack, gallantly offered me his own and hadfled panic struck & but few go off-But has calumny, a direct attack on their whom he gave in the aforesaid speech, the have been of a very important character, his men's service; but he got my per. my note could but little more than have honor as soldiers, and declare that the following character: producing consequences serious to many mission too late. He new again came reached Gen. W. about 4 o'clock, when a author, whoever he may be, has assert. Desperate leaders of a profligate conspi-Individuals; establishing facts actually forward; had a conference with colonei most severe and obstinate conflict commenc ed gross untruths. As for myself, 1 "racy against the good of our country who connected with the interest of the ser Van Renssalaer, and begged that he ed and continued about half an hour, with a have had the honor to serve in the army "at this all important period, are scattering vice and the safety of the army: and as might have the command in the expeditive from the rank of volunteer to the stati. ' the fire brands of civil discord throughout Istand prominently responsible for some vion. The arrangement was made. and musketry The enemy succeeded in re on I now hold, during the administrati the United States. Driven from power, of these consequences, I beg leave to ex Col. Van Renssalear was to command presenting their battery; and gaining ad one of Gen. Washington, Mr. Adams, "by the indignant voice of an injured proplain to you, sir, and through you to my one column of 300 militia; and lieut vantage on every side, the brave men, who Mr. Jefferson, and Mr. Madison, and "ple, and despairing to gain it by honest country, the situation and circumstances col. Christie a column of the same num. had gained the victory, exhausted of strength can affirm, that I have known some 'means, they (the federal leaders) appear and ammunition, and grieved at the unpar troops under the three first, to have "to be governed by the same unprincipled

In my letter of the 8th inst. I appriz. At 7 in the evening lieut. col. Strana lies of burning the deed providing for the ed you that a crisis in this campaign was han's regiment moved from Niagara ties of burying the dead, providing for the received their pay—nor do I believe the "not to obtain them at all " at as early an honr as I could have wished ganize an army, or a corps of new re Resolved. That, after having been thus I shall soon forward you another dispatch in cruits-if, owing to the want of a know. characterised by Mr. Clinton, the ederalists which I shall endeavor to point out to you ledge of the officers, to forms of re- would not support him if he had not changed. Under such impressions I had on the soon as the heights should be carried, the conduct of some most gallant and de serving officers. But I cannot in justice close this without expressing the very great obligation I am under to brigadier general Scott, Lt Cols Christie and Fenwick, and behaved most gallantly. As I have reason to believe that many of our troops fled to the woods, with the hope of crossing the river meral Smyth; but in a note to me of the and a brisk fire of musket; y was poured from have not been able to learn the probable num. 10th, general Hall mentioned that ge the whole line of the Ca ada shore. Our ber of killed, wounded, or prisoners. The neral Smyth had not yet then agreed battery opened to sweep the shore, but it slanghter of our troops must have been very was for some minutes too dark to direct considerable. And the enemy have suffered

GINBRAL BROCK is among their slain. I have the honor to be sir, with great re-

(Signed)

SIN VAN RENSSELAER.

Major General Dearborn.

HEAD QUARTERS,

Lewiston, 15:4 Oct. 1812.

(Signed) STN VAN RENSSELAER.

Major Gen. DEARBORN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE AURORA.

Camp, near Platisburg.

12th October, 1812.

at with 8 or 10 shot the fire was silenced The following piece ' from the Connecticut selves.

from one of the banks, on his private credit, est prospect and su cess by which means the troops were paid, and cheerfully followed their commander."

be sufficie t to give the following remarks: - wishes of the republican party, was of itself Gazette that " Capt. Dicres ordered all the That the regimental paymaster had in his considered ingratitude and apostacy-and hands, funds to pay the whole regiment un hat Mr. Chinton's acquiescence in federal ing the action with the Constitution," to be ining to my infinite mortification, that no re. companies were paid previous to the march. a party whi h in his speech in the senate of board that hip-who declared he was obliged aforement would pass over; seeing that and the balance so soon as the regiment halt New York, in 1809, he de laied to be " ap during that action to noint the common aga not sottleti, I had immediately countermand another severe conflict must soon commence; ed, a sufficient time to give the officers and rayed in favor of a foreign government, in his con countrymen.

ment-and under the latter for eigh |" hellesh principles, which the greatest of a corps shewing a disposition to refuse " Better to gain office and elevation through ime before a new corps can be as well they would gain elevation and power. the centinel against the winter storms- U. States. yet were an old regimen: Lying by thei comfortable, having the saving of two or ry to the election. more years' supplies on hand. Be whather ill or well supplied, the soldiers and officers have or just a sense of the duty they owe their country and their Major General honor, ever to refuse to mirch agains he enemy-and he Colonel begs leave to assure the author of the above para future attempt to injure his reputation, by praising an action, which, if true laim he now has to a military charac-

> Z. M. PIKE, Col. 15th U. S. Infantry

PHILADELPHIA MEETING. CHESNUT WARD.

Chesnut ward, convened by notice in the de

mocratic newspapers. the chair -a d

LIBERTY BROWNE, appointed secretary. | country not to do so. serious consideration the importance of the auses for war with both of the belligeensuing election for electors of president & rents, and also our savage enemies, exvice president of the U States, throughout sted before its declaration, and although this state - or solve

behind a stone guard house where a piece of sacrificed to satiate the malignant venom of nited States have been indebted for the ex ordnance was now briskly served. I order porty purposes it becomes his duty as a man. istence of their liberties and institutions and ed the fire of our battery directed upon the a soldier, and a patriot, to come forward and for the defeat of their fereign and internal heartily acquiesce in their choice. And guard house; and it was so effectuelly done | boldly contradict the base calumniator - enemies - to unson and concert among them

Resulved That at such a crisis as the pre- ery invader of our national rights, althe boats from the landing below to the not silence it. A number of boats now pass of The multiplied proof of folly or of mad sent, it would have been dang rous to aban though it should be at the expence of our ed over unannoyed, except from the one un ness or some worse cause, that have driven don without an adequate substitute; he mode lives and properties. I think, fellow considered the man of greatest skill for silenced gun. For some time after I had the nation into a ruinous offensive war, are of nominating cand dates for the presidency itizens, we are nearly brought to the this service. He went shead, and in the passed over, the victory appeared complete: accumulating with every days' experience. and vice presidency of the United States extreme darkness, passed the intended but in the expectation of further attacks, I Barely to enumerate the evidence would oc and never departed from by any part of the

w.y, at this crisis, there would have been, i

mendous north east storms, which con- slowly. I passed immediately over to acce. ny, was not only unpaid but unprovided with can candidates selected in the usual way, if on a cruise, the beautiful private armed ship tinued unabated for twenty-eight hours, lerate their movements; but to my utter as the common necessaries of a camp, and when made by republicans, is to be deeply deplor York Town. Thomas H Story Esq comand deluged the whole camp. The ap tonishment I found that at the very moment a few days since a part of these troops were ed, but that opposition becomes dangerous mander. The York Town mounts 18 long proach of day light extinguished every when complete victory was in our hands, the ordered to the frontiers, one whole regiment and monstrous, when any republicans endes 9's, and has a crew of 150 men. prospect of success, and the detachment arder of the uneng ged troops had entirely (Col Pike's) absolutely refused, and delibe vor to crush the mass of their party by coa returned to camp. Col. Van Ranssel subsided. I rode in all directions-urged rately stacked their arms, declaring they lescing with men equally the foes of them

Resolved. That the friends of Mr. De tience of the troops would have conti horse and rode through the camp; as did al- unless government would first pay the arrears gained with federal leaders, are politically men-and succeeded in capturing her, after criminal in maintaing opposition to the mass ry Gallatin. was then at Albany, and on that without the federal and apostate aid of which capt M. had 30 of his men killed, and ment, he berrowed twenty thousand dollars and Belaware they could not have the sligh. The prize is said to be a large ship, with a ment, he berrowed twenty thousand dollars and Delaware they could not have the sligh:

Resolved, That the silence of Asron Burr. In contradiction to this statement it will ing to exalt him to the presidency against the

e ed the march of gen. Smith's brigade, & knowing that the brave men on theheights opportunity to adjust the rolls and prepare |" opposition to that of their own country " Because he permits himself to Le us d. as

" Better to reign in Hell. "Than serve in Heaven."

turns, accounts, &cc. it will not be some and if they did not believe that through him

quipt, or appear as much like soldiers, They do therefore resolve, that on Fris an old one? Every soldier will re- day, the 30th instant, they will abstain from Wadsworth. Colonel Van Rensselaer, Col ply, that it will require two years a all labor, that they will attend the election least, to teach both officers and men to ground—that they will by every honorable Captain Gibson. Many others have also reap the same benefit from the same means and with their united zeal and assisupplies as old soldiers-and although duity support the electoral ticket, as agreed at this time, the 15th regiment has been upon by the democratic members of the state es regularly supplied as any other corps, legislature, and which is pledged to support with clothing, pay, arms and accourre- JAMES MADISON, as president, and ELments, even to watch coats to protect BRIDGE GERRY, as vice president of the

Resolved. That this meeting do adjourn to side, who had received the same supplies, meet again on this day week, at 7 o'clock in they most indubitably would be better the evening, at this place, for the purpose of equipped and make themselves more appointing the severil committees preparato-

LIBERTY BROWNE. Secretary.

FOR THE FRIENDS OF PEACE.

From the Greensburg. Pa Register. Gentlemen and Fellow Cirizens,

Having discovered my name on a ticket formed by a meeting, stilling themgraph, that he hopes he will forbear any scives frie ds to union, peace and commerce, I avail myself of this method to communicate my sentiments to the public. However disagreeable it may be, the situation I feel myself placed in at present, foudly calls for it, which I shall do withou courting the favor or learing he frowns of any party.

1st. I am decidedly in favor of a democratical form of government.

2d. I am decidedly in favor of supporting our general government, and At a meeting of the democratic citizens of the measures which they have adopted. 3d. I am firmly of opinion that it would be bad policy, and also, an act eve-SAMUEL OAR WELL, esq was called to ry way calculated in its nature to be injurious to the interests of our common

The meeting having taken into their most I am firmly of opinion that sufficient i should have been better satisfied if our That the approaching election will be so ountry had been in a better state of dea ional honor and independence, or let sink by a paintul, shameful and disraceful submission to the avarice and granny of our insatiable adversaries; I I think, in a national point of view. we o su, port our independence against eurning point—if we divide we fall an easy prey to our enemies; but if we are united, we will, under the protection of o combat with, but bring into subjection on every insulting or invading foe. JOSIAH MOORHEAD.

October 5, 1813.

The privateer Globe, capt. Murphy, has returned to Baltimore from e cruize, during seven hours hard fighting, by boarding, in very valuable cargo on board, has arrived off the capes.

We pronounce the story in the Baston mericans on board he Guerrier, below, durfamously false; having seen and conversed N M. Pai.