

orders with regard to your communication of the 6th inst. I have the honor to send you herewith the passports which you requested of me. As to the reasons which you have been changed to advance in explanation of your departure, I have nothing to say. (See in point a my answer.) The Government of the United States, knows that upon itself depends henceforward the execution of the treaty of July 4th 1831. Accept, sir, the assurance of my high consideration.

V. BROGLIE.
No. 7.—Mr. Forsyth to Mr. Pageot.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, 29th June, 1835.
M. Pageot, Charge d'Affaires, &c. &c.

Sir: I have the honor to acquaint you, for the information of your Government, that the Secretary of the Treasury has, in conformity with the provisions of the act of Congress of the 13th July, 1833, designated the Messrs. de Rothschild, Brothers, of Paris, as agents to receive the payments from time to time due to this Government under the stipulations of the convention of 4th July, 1831, between the United States, and His Majesty the King of France.

The power given to the Messrs. de Rothschild will be presented by them whenever the French Government is ready to make the payments. I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant.

JOHN FORSYTH.

No. 8.—Mr. Pageot to Mr. Forsyth.
WASHINGTON, June 29, 1835.
To the Hon. Mr. FORSYTH,
Secretary of State.

Sir: I have received the letter which you did me the honor to address me this day, and by which you communicate to me, for the information of your Government, that the Secretary of the Treasury, in virtue of the act of Congress of July 13th, 1833, has appointed Messrs. de Rothschild, Brothers, of Paris, agents for receiving, as they become due, the several payments of the sum stipulated as indemnification by the convention concluded on the 4th of July, 1831, between His Majesty the King of France and the United States of America.

I lost no time, sir, in transmitting this communication to my Government, with which I have the honor to be, your most humble and obedient servant.

A. PAGEOT.

No. 9.—Mr. Pageot to Mr. Forsyth.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 1, 1835.
To the Hon. JOHN FORSYTH,
Secretary of State of the U. States.

Sir: On the 11th of September last I had the honor as I was authorized, to read to you a despatch which his excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs had addressed to me on the 17th of June previous, respecting the state of the relations between France and the United States. The object of this communication was to make known to the Cabinet of Washington, in a form often employed, the point of view from which the King's Government regarded the difficulties between the two countries, and to indicate the means by which, in its opinion, they might be terminated in a manner honorable to both Governments. I was also authorized to allow you in case you should desire it, take a copy of this despatch; but, contrary to the expectation which diplomatic usage in such cases permitted me to entertain, you thought proper to refuse to request it.

I regretted this resolution of yours, sir, at the time, because, in the first place, it appeared to be at variance with the usual practice of your Government, which so particularly characterizes the communication made to you, and next, as it seemed in a manner to deprive the Cabinet of Washington of the means of knowing, in their full extent, of which an attentive examination of the Duke de Broglie's letter could alone have enabled it to form a just estimate. These regrets, sir, have not diminished, and at the moment when this President is about to communicate to Congress the state of the relations between France and the U. States, I consider it useful and necessary, for the interest of all, to endeavor to place him in possession of all the facts which may afford him the means of giving an exact account of the real dispositions and views of the King's Government on the subject of the existing difficulties.

With this intention, and from a desire to neglect nothing which, by offering to the American Government another opportunity of making itself acquainted minutely with his Majesty's conciliatory sentiments of His Majesty's Government, may contribute to restore good understanding between the Cabinets of Paris and Washington, I have the honor to transmit to you a copy of the Duke de Broglie's despatch, and to request you to place it under the eye of the President.

I embrace this opportunity, sir, to renew to you the assurance of my high consideration with which I have the honor, &c.

A. PAGEOT.

No. 10.—Mr. Forsyth to M. Pageot.
DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, 3d Dec, 1835.

Sir: I had yesterday the honor to receive your note of the 1st instant, with the accompanying paper, purporting to be a copy of a letter, addressed, under date of the 17th of June last, by his excellency the Duke de Broglie, Minister of Foreign Affairs of France, to yourself.

After referring to what occurred in our interview of the 11th of September, in regard to the original letter, and expressing your regrets at the course I then felt it my duty to take, you request me to place the copy enclosed in your letter under the eye of the President.

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In allowing you, during that interview, to read to me the Duke de Broglie's despatch, which I cheerfully did, you were enabled to avail yourself of that informal mode of apprising this Department of the views of your Government in the full extent authorized by diplomatic usage. The question whether or not I should ask a copy of that despatch, was of course, left as it should have been by your Government, exclusively to my discretion. My reasons for not making that request were frankly stated to you, founded on a conviction that, in the existing state of the relations between the two countries, the President would think it most proper that every communication upon the subject in difference between them, should, before it, be submitted to his consideration, be made to assume the official form belonging to a direct communication from one Government to another, by which alone he could be

given to it, and to submit it, should such a step become necessary to his associates in the Government. I had also the honor at the same time to assure you, that any direct communication from yourself, as the representative of the King's Government, to me, embracing the contents of this despatch, or any other matter you might be authorized to communicate in the accustomed mode, would be laid without delay before the President, and would undoubtedly receive from him an early and just consideration.

It cannot have escaped your reflections that my duty required that the circumstances of the interview between us should be reported to the President, and that the discovery of any error on my part in representing his views of the course proper to be pursued on that occasion, would, without fail, have been promptly communicated to you. That duty was performed. The substance of our interview, and the reasons by which my course in it had been guided, were immediately communicated to, and entirely approved by him. I could not, therefore, have anticipated that, after so long a period had elapsed, and without any change in the condition of affairs, you should have regarded it as useful or proper to revive the subject at the time and in the form you have seen fit to adopt. Cordially reciprocating, however, the conciliatory sentiments expressed in your note, and in deference to your desire, I have the honor to inform you of the opinion expressed by me in the interview between us, and subsequently confirmed by him, remains unchanged, and I therefore respectfully restore to you the copy of the Duke de Broglie's letter, as I cannot make the use of it which you desired.

I am also instructed to say that the President entertains a decided conviction that a departure, in the present case, from the ordinary and accustomed method of international communication, is calculated to increase, rather than to diminish, the difficulties unhappily existing between France and the United States, and that its observance in their future intercourse will be most likely to bring about the amicable adjustment of those difficulties on terms honorable to both parties. Such a result is sincerely desired by him; and he will omit nothing consistent with the faithful discharge of his duties to the United States, by which it may be promoted. In this spirit I am directed by him to repeat to you the assurance made in our interview in September last, that any official communication you may think proper to address to this Government, will promptly receive such consideration as may be due to its contents, and to the interests involved in the subject to which it may refer.

The enclosed paper is not considered the subject of reply, you will allow me to add, for the purpose of preventing any misconception in this respect; that my silence in regard to its contents is not to be construed as admitting the accuracy of any of the statements or reasonings contained in it.

I have the honor to renew, &c.

JOHN FORSYTH.

No. 11.—Mr. Pageot to Mr. Forsyth.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 5, 1835.

Sir: I yesterday evening received the letter which you did me the honor to write to me on the 3d of this month, with it, you return to me the copy of a despatch which I had transmitted to you two days before, and the original of which was addressed to me on the 17th of June last, by his excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

I will not seek, sir, to disguise from you the astonishment produced in me by the return of a document so very important in the present state of the relations between the two countries; neither will I undertake to reply to the reasons on which this determination of yours is based. My intention in communicating this document to you, in form not only sanctioned by the diplomatic usages of all nations and ages, but also the most direct which I could possibly have chosen, was to make known the real dispositions of my Government to the President of the United States, and through him to Congress, in the existing situation of the two countries; it was essential that each Government should fully comprehend the intentions of the other. This consideration appeared to me paramount to all others. You have judged otherwise, sir, and you have thought that whatever might be the importance of communication, it was proper, before receiving it, to examine whether the form in which it came to you was

briefly accordant with the usages necessary, in your opinion, to be observed in diplomatic transactions with the Government of the Republic. I will not insist further. I have fulfilled all the duties which appeared to be prescribed for me, by the spirit of reconciliation in conjunction with the respect due by me to all communications from your Government; and nothing more remains for me, than to express my deep regret that the misunderstanding between the two Governments, ready so serious, should be kept up, not by weighty difficulties which involve the interests and the dignity of the two countries, but by questions of form, as uncertain in their principles as doubtful in their application.

I have the honor, sir, to renew to you the assurance of my high consideration.

A. PAGEOT.

No. 12.—Mr. Pageot to Mr. Forsyth.
WASHINGTON, JAN. 2, 1836.

To the Hon. Mr. JOHN FORSYTH,
Secretary of State.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge to you that, in consequence of the recall of Mr. Barton, the King's Government has given me orders to lay down His Majesty near the Government of the United States. I shall, therefore, immediately begin the preparations for my return to France; but, in the mean time, I think proper to claim the protection of the Federal Government during the period which I may consider it necessary to remain in the United States.

I have the honor to be, with the most distinguished consideration,
Sir, your humble and obedient servant,
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DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
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M. ALPHONSE PAGEOT, &c.
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Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge your note of this day's date, in which you announce that you have the order of your Government given in consequence of the recall of Mr. Barton, to lay aside the character of Charge d'Affaires of the King of France near the Government of the United States. The protection of the Federal Government is due, and will of course be extended to you, during the time necessary for your preparations to return to France.

I am, sir, with great consideration, your obedient servant,
JOHN FORSYTH.

CONGRESS.

Congress. The time seems to be principally occupied with speeches on the French question and the Abolition memorials.

Connected with the former subject, a very animated and long-continued debate has sprung up in the Senate. On the 11th inst., it will be recollected, Mr. Benton offered a series of resolutions relative to appropriations for the defence of the country. He accompanied it with a speech in which he drew a picture of the naked and defenceless condition of the country, attributing it to the rejection by the Senate, of the three million appropriation. This speech was replied to by Messrs. Goldsborough, Porter, Leigh, and Webster. The last named gentleman appeared in all the splendor which belongs to his giant intellect. His defence of the Senate—showing their diligence, their punctuality, their despatch, in maturing many important bills, which were subsequently sent to the other House and there neglected—were to be taken up—among which were the Post Office Reform Bill, the Custom House Regulations Bill, &c. &c.—and above all, when he came to the history of the three million appropriation—his defence of the Senate was able, independent, and conclusive. A brief statement will show how impossible it is to attach any blame to the Senate for the present defenceless state of the country. At the last session the Senate, in good time, passed the Fortification Bill, which had previously passed the House; and on the 24th of February, a whole week before the expiration of the session, it was sent to the House with amendments. Well, here was a whole week before the House, and what did it do? It kept the bill in its possession until the last night of the session. On that night at 8 o'clock, the bill was returned to the Senate with an amendment—the famous amendment asking for three millions of dollars, to be expended in whole or in part, under the direction of the President, "for the military and naval service," provided, such expenditures shall be rendered necessary for the defence of the country. The Senate disagreed to this vote of the House, 29 to 19, every member being in his seat. The House insisted on the amendment, and requested a conference. It was accepted by the Senate, and the committee of conference soon came to an agreement, by which they were to recommend to their respective Houses, instead of three millions, an appropriation of \$500,000 for naval repairs, and \$300,000 for arming the Fortifications. Mr. Webster, the chairman of the Senate Committee, immediately reported to the Senate; but Mr. Calhoun, the chairman of the other committee, refused to report to the other House. And thus the Fortification Bill, amended by the conference committee, was lost—not through the remissness of either House—but through the nullification of that woful G. C. C.—"Calix Cassin's Chamber"—in whose pocket it slept the sleep of death.

This is a plain case. Yet there are knaves who charge the loss of the bill upon the Senate, when in fact it was not in their possession. It was in Mr. Calhoun's pocket. This matter has likewise created a warm discussion in the House. On Friday last Mr. J. Q. Adams made a flaming speech, abusive of Mr. Webster and the Senate. He was cheered by some of the members, and hissed by the galleries. The Speaker told them they were more disgracefully than any previous house had ever been. It was a genuine row. Mr. A. was replied to by Mr. Wise, of Va., who showed no mercy to his opponent. We give the following extract from the account of his speech given in the Baltimore Patriot:

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It is a deep game but a useless one—never, never, will the South go for the child of favor—never will the flag of broad platons of the gallant, the independent South.

To-day we had a new feature of the political manoeuvre. Mr. Pickens from South Carolina, rose in succession to Houston, to speak on the question of abolition. Mr. Calhoun begged him to wait until the orders of the day could be got through with—but Mr. Wise was near and cried out in the very ear of the overbearing head of the Ways and Means, "go on!" "go on!"—and away went Pickens. He said that he would not notice, in his place, would not lower himself to notice the base insinuations of a miserable editor (meaning Blair) who was lying upon other men's spittle—That THING,

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WASHINGTON, JAN. 20, 1836.
The rumors, as I heard it from the lips of the Vice President, that Pointexter is defeated in Mississippi, and an early partizan and a youthful one, Mr. Rufus Walker, is elected the Senator from that State. This Mr. Walker is the man who first at Pittsburgh nominated Andrew Jackson for the chair he now fills, and who has stuck by the hero thro' "evil," and I was going to say "good" but that is carrying the joke too far—precious little good has he done since his election. Tho' the source of my information is high and from one who seldom commits himself without being thoroughly guarded in his position, there is much doubt here as to the correctness of the fact. I give it to you not second handed, and do myself the honor of endorsing Van's word. I believe that Walker is elected, and so now farewell to Pointexter.

In the House of Representatives the cause of abolition was under consideration—and a nice game the representatives of the old women citizens, present a petition to abolish the slave trade in the District—up jumps a Van Burenite and proposes that it be inexpedient for Congress to legislate upon the subject—a wink goes round from desk to desk—winks and shakes of the head. Wise from like a Hercules, Peyton, of Tennessee, pushes the wink from him in disdain. Calhoun, the bowing syphilitic Calhoun, nestles the hint for a moment and then passes it over to Mr. Poinposly Vanderpool, who pats the traveller on the head, and sends him round to Mr. Mann, of New York, who sneezes in his face and coughs at

the following extract from the account of his speech given in the Baltimore Patriot:

It was not the Senate, it was not the House, he said, that was justly chargeable with the loss of the fortification bill. Neither of them were entitled to the credit of the act. It belonged to that man (pointing to CALHOUN) who sat in the seat next in front of him, and shaking his long finger full and violently in his face, as the little Calhoun, who was sitting next to him, the philosophy of the man, saying, "I will not let the man say that." He then went into a history of the whole proceedings. Took up the record and showed by it that Mr. Calhoun refused to report on that famous night to report the bill agreed upon by the Conference Committee, after the President had left the Capitol in wrath, because, as he said at the time, it was after 12 o'clock and therefore there was no constitutional House. He then showed that Mr. Calhoun, C. Calhoun (and he rung out the name loud and often) did not remain in the House and vote after that time. He said Mr. D. H. Lewis, another member of the Conference Committee, made the report after he found that when Mr. D. H. Lewis made the report and it was to be acted upon, there was no quorum to be found. Like the men of Rodrick Dhu, a portion of the House would come and go at the call of a whistle, or the stamp of a foot! After portraying the inconsistency of the conduct of Calhoun and Beardsley, in refusing to vote at one time after it was 12 o'clock and then voting upon another question still after that, he asked where were their consciences? The Speaker said there were not in order. Well, then where were their consciences?

VERGINIA LEGISLATURE.
When our paper was put to press, we had received no letter from our Correspondent. The following we have culled from the Richmond papers, it being all that our limits will admit.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.
SATURDAY, JAN. 10.
On Saturday the resolutions touching Abolition were again called up, after the morning business of reports, petitions, resolutions, &c. was disposed of. Mr. Daniel addressed the House at length, in reply to those who had preceded him on the opposite side, and in support of the substitute (Mr. Watkins' resolution) to the 2d resolution of the Select Committee.

Mr. Griggs of Jefferson, succeeded in explanations of the reasons which induced him to prefer the resolutions of the Select Committee to the substitute. Mr. Daniel having adverted to the vote of the House on Thursday on the subject of the constitutional power of Congress to abolish slavery in the District, with a view of showing that those 13 (of whom Mr. Griggs was one) who sustained the affirmative, were whigs—Mr. G. defended and maintained his opinions on that point

and the articles of cessation. His substitute, in this particular, was still more exceptional to him than the resolutions of the Committee as going farther, and making the attempt to liberate the constitutional. With respect to the whigs, Mr. G. deprecated as strongly as any other man; the intermeddling of Congress with the subject. [On Monday and Tuesday but little of interest was transacted.]

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20.
The following resolutions will show the final disposition made of the Abolition question in the House of Delegates:

1. Resolved, That this Commonwealth only has the right to control or interfere with the subject of domestic slavery, within its limits, and that this right will be maintained at all hazards.—(Unanimous.)

2. Resolved, That the State of Virginia has a right to claim prompt and efficient legislation by her co-states, to restrain as far as may be, and to punish those of their citizens, who, in defiance of the obligations of social duty and those of the constitution, assist her safety and tranquillity, by forming associations for the abolition of slavery, or printing, publishing or circulating through the mail or otherwise, seditious and incendiary publications; and that this right, founded as it is on the principles of international law, is peculiarly fortified by a just consideration of the rights of the States of this Union.—(Ayes 108, Noes 7.)

3. Resolved, That the non-slaveholding States of the Union, are respectfully, but earnestly requested, promptly to adopt penal enactments, or such other measures, as will effectually suppress all associations within their respective limits, purporting to be, or having the character of Abolition Societies; and that they will make it highly penal to print, publish, or distribute newspapers, pamphlets, or other publications, calculated or having a tendency to excite the Slaves of the Southern States to insurrection and revolt.—(Ayes 125, Noes 1.)

4. Resolved, That this General Assembly should regard any act of Congress, having for its object the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia, or the Territories of the United States, as affording just cause of alarm to the slave holding States, and bringing the Union into imminent peril.—(Ayes 132, Noes 4.)

5. Resolved, That it is highly expedient for the slave holding States, to enact such laws and regulations as may be necessary to suppress and prevent the circulation of any incendiary publications within their respective limits.—(Unanimous.)

6. Resolved, That confiding in the justice and loyalty of our Northern brethren to the principles of the Union, enforced by the sympathies of common dangers, sufferings and triumphs, which ought to bind us together in fraternal concord, we are warranted in the expectation, that the foregoing requests which they are made, and complied with.—(Ayes 125, Noes 1.)

7. Resolved, That Congress has no constitutional power to abolish slavery in the District of Columbia, or in the Territories of the United States.—(Ayes 105, Noes 13.)

8. Resolved, That the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to each of our senators and representatives in Congress, and to the executive of each of the States of the Union, with a request that the same may be submitted to their respective legislatures.

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