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FOR CITIZEN SOLDIERS. SECOND EDITION.
 JUST Published, and for sale at this office, an extract from the Military Discipline of the United States, consisting of the *Whole Manual Exercise, the Wheelings, Postures, Facing and Firings.* This work, so very necessary to the young Soldier, will be sold for 11 pence a Copy.—Considerable allowance will be made to those who buy to sell again.

SHERIFF'S SALES.
 BY Virtue of a Writ of *Venditioni Exponas*, to me directed, will be exposed to public Sale, on Monday the Eighteenth day of Feb next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of Mr. Graver Inkeeper in Adamstown a certain tract or piece of land situate in Cocalico township adjoining land of Peter Shaup Martin Eichholtz, Philip Bundle and others, containing about 25 Acres, more or less. Seized & taken in Execution, as the Property of George Koppes, and to be sold, by
 CHR. CARPENTER, Jun. Sheriff.
 Sheriff's Office, Lancaster, Jan. 30, 1799.

BY Virtue of a Writ of *Venditioni Exponas* to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, by adjournment, on Saturday the 23d day of February next at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of Adam Weaver, Inkeeper, in the Borough of Lancaster, a certain lot of ground, situate in said Borough of Lancaster, adjoining land of the Rev. Mr. Muhlenberg, George Rofs, Esq.—Metzger and others, containing about ten acres, more or less, with the appurtenances.
 Seized and taken in Execution, as the property of John Okely, deceased, and to be sold, by
 CHR. CARPENTER, Jun. Sheriff.
 Sheriff's Office, Lancaster Jan. 30, 1799.

FOR SALE,
 A GOOD FARM, late the Estate of HENRY BOYERS, deceased, situate in East Pennsboro' township, Cumberland county, on the west side of the Susquehanna, directly opposite Cox's town, containing 150 acres, a great proportion of which is good meadow, and good timber on the rest; there is a double log house, an excellent never-failing spring of water before the door, a good new barn, and an orchard of different fruit trees; also, a saw mill, and one fourth part of a millery. Any person wishing to make an advantageous bargain, would do well to come and view the premises, by applying to the subscribers, living thereon.
 STEPHEN BOYERS } Adm'rs.
 JACOB LEVINGSTON }
 February 9, 1799. 3t

GUN-LOCK SMITHS WANTED.
 A NUMBER of sober and industrious Journey-men, in the Gun-Lock manufactory, also a Journey-man White-smith, to whom good wages will be given.
 Several apprentices will also be taken to said businesses, if application is made soon.
 PETER BRONG, Living in Prince-street, Lancaster, opposite Valentine Hoffman.
 February 9, 1799.

ELEGANT FAMILY BIBLE.
 THOSE who wish to supply themselves with this valuable edition, must apply soon, as only a few Copies remain. They will be ready for delivery during next week. Folio, with 17 handsome Copper-plates. Price only ten dollars.

PROCLAMATION.
 WHEREAS the Honorable John Joseph Henry, Esquire, President of the several Courts of Common Pleas in the Circuit, consisting of the Counties of Chester, Lancaster, York, & Dauphin, and Justice of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, for the Trial of all capital and other Offenders in the said counties—And Robert Coleman, John Whitehill, Frederick Kuhn, and Andrew Graff, Esqrs. Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas and Justices of the Courts of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, for the capital and other Offenders in the said county of Lancaster, have issued their Precept, bearing date the 24th day of Jan. in the Year of our Lord, One thousand, seven hundred and ninety-nine and to me directed, for holding a Court of Oyer and Terminer, and General Gaol Delivery, at the Court-House, in the Borough of Lancaster, for the said county of Lancaster, on Monday the 25th day of Feb. inst; Notice is hereby given to all the Justices of the Peace, the Coroner and Constables, within the said County of Lancaster, that they be then and there, in their own proper persons, with their rolls, Records, Inquisitions, Examinations, and other Remembrances; to do those things which to their offices, and in that behalf, appertain to be done; also they who will prosecute against the prisoners that are or then shall be, in the Gaol of the said County of Lancaster, are to be then and there, to prosecute against them as shall be just.
 Dated at Lancaster, the 9th of February, A. D. 1799.

CHR. CARPENTER Jun. Sheriff.
God save the Commonwealth.
 Sheriff's Sales.

BY Virtue of a Writ of *Venditioni Exponas*, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, by adjournment, on Saturday the 23d day of February Inst. at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at the dwelling-house of FRANCIS LAMBERT, in King-street, in the Borough of Lancaster, two Mills, with the utensils, two chests of drawers, one desk, beds and bedsteads, hogs, household and kitchen furniture too tedious to mention. At the same time and place will be sold, a certain dwelling-house, Mill-house and lot of ground, situate in King-street, in the Borough of Lancaster, adjoining lots of Valentine Kring and others.
 Seized and taken in Execution as the Property of said Francis Lambert, and to be sold, by
 CHR. CARPENTER, Jun. Sheriff.
 Sheriff's Office, Lancaster, Feb. 8, 1799.

BY Virtue of a Writ of *Venditioni Exponas*, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, by adjournment, on Saturday the 23d day of February Inst. at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of Adam Weber, Inkeeper, in the Borough of Lancaster, a certain plantation or tract of land, situate in Conologo township, Lancaster county, adjoining land of Jacob Ehleman, John Hefs and others, containing about 190 acres, more or less, with the appurtenances.
 Seized and taken in Execution, as the property of Richard Burg, and to be sold, by
 CHR. CARPENTER, Jun. Sheriff.
 Sheriff's Office, Lancaster, Feb. 8, 1799.

Houses for Lease.
 The first, second and third below the Market-house, King-Street, Lancaster, on moderate terms. Apply at the first door.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

IF ELIZABETH, a daughter of the Rev. JOHN LIGHT, of Somerset county, New-Jersey, deceased, will apply to the subscriber in the Borough of Lancaster, she will hear of something considerably to her advantage. It is said that Elizabeth was married to a certain John Little, and living in Pennsylvania, above Lancaster. Any person who can give information on this subject will confer a particular obligation.
 JOHN LIGHT.
 February 9, 1799.

ADVERTISEMENT.

IN pursuance of the last will and testament of WILLIAM RUSHAW, deceased, will be exposed to public sale, on the premises, on Friday the 1st day of March ensuing, a certain plantation or tract of land, lying in Salisbury township, Lancaster county, adjoining land of John Armour, Sarah Andrew and others, containing 87 acres with the usual allowance, on the premises are a good dwelling-house, barn, and spring-house over a never-failing spring, with other necessary buildings, the land is good and well proportioned with meadow and wood-land. As it is presumed that any person wishing to purchase, will wish to view the premises application may be made to the widow on the premises, the conditions will be made known on the day of sale, where attendance will be given by
 JAMES McCAMANT, Executor.
 February 9, 1799.

Foreign Intelligence.

PARIS, Nov. 12.
 Letters from Brussels of the 9th instant, are filled with an account of dreadful engagements between the republican troops and the rebels; of the whole of the rich and beautiful commune of Bornheim, their are now only a few empty houses remaining.

November 14.
 The Ottoman ambassador at Paris, has demanded passports in order to return to Constantinople, but he has not yet obtained them.

November 16.
 Letters from Mostar, in Dalmatia, state, that Greece was in a considerable state of agitation, and that frequent quarrels took place between the Albanians and the janissaries, in which much blood has been shed.

BRUSSELS, Nov. 8.
 According to an official account from General Beguinot, a general attack was made on the 2d instant on the insurgents near Oudenarde, Grammont, Renaix, and Ninove, who were every where defeated, so that tranquility is now again restored. The next night 100 of them were killed at Londerzele. Troops are daily arriving, so that the insurrection must be soon entirely quelled. The garrison of Cartook has defeated a corps of rebels which threatened that place. The department of the Dyle has been declared in a state of siege.

HAGUE, Nov. 15.
 The insurrection in the low countries is stated to have assumed a most formidable appearance; the insurgents are commanded by officers formerly in the service of the Prince of Orange. They stile themselves the Imperial Catholic Army. The departments of Brussels, Dyle, Focrell, Lys, Scheldt, and Nether, have

been declared in a state of siege. This order, however, is to be limited to the places where the tree of liberty has been cut down, the & rockin founded; the villages of Capille and Wellebroke have been destroyed by the military in their combats with the peasantry; at the latter place the regulars were repulsed, but returning the following day with reinforcements, after committing great slaughter obliged the insurgents to fly to the woods.

On the 7th instant, nineteen waggons, with wounded French soldiers, arrived at Breda; they have lost in the several encounters upwards of two thousand men. The loss of the rebels is estimated at six thousand men.

The Batavian government regard these movements with particular solicitude, and has formed a corps of national troops on the frontiers for its protection, and to repress a spirit of revolt prevalent throughout that republic, as well as the whole district of the Rhine.

The garrisons of Thionville and Metz have attacked a large body of insurgents collected in the neighbourhood of Arlon, killed 600, and made 1500 prisoners; and it appears that all those parts of the French dominions, from which accurate intelligence can be received, are in a state of the greatest possible ferment.

ITALY, Nov. 4.

Letters from Smyrna state that the combined Russian and Turkish fleet, consisting of 50 sail, of different sizes, were cruising at the beginning of October, off the island of Scio; likewise that Buonaparte had taken a position before Cairo with 25,000 men; and was threatened by an army of the Turks and Moors, consisting of 300,000. On the contrary, the official journal printed at Rome, under the head, "News of the army of Asia," contains the following article:—"Letters from Cephalonia and Messina concur in stating that General Buonaparte, so far from having sustained any reverse, has gained a complete victory over Pacha Achmat, near St. John d'Acre, and taken possession of this place, of Aleppo and the principal towns of Syria. Nothing can withstand his advantaged courage and the excellence of his plans."

A gazette published at Rome, however states that the captain of an English vessel arrived at Neapolis had announced that in his voyage from Alexandria, in the latitude of Cyprus, he had seen a French convoy of 29 sail and three frigates, in the course to Alexandria, where probably they had arrived, as when he left that place there were only two English frigates cruising before it.

The late Neapolitan minister at war has been removed on account of misconduct. At Naples many persons have been arrested on account of the revolutionary opinion.

* The Hamburgh editor justly remarks, that as this intelligence has no date, and is not official, it requires confirmation.

LONDON, Nov. 24.

The revolt in Flanders appears to be still in a state formidable to the peace of the Directory. It appears, from the municipality of Brussels having required the federalist national guard to return the arms with which they had been entrusted, and to cease from actual service, that the inhabitants of that place are not considered as very firm in their allegiance to their despotic masters.

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BUYING AND SELLING
 As was typical for the time, much of this front page from 1799 is taken up with what would later be considered classified advertising. Sheriff sales, private real estate deals, job offerings, estate sales, homes for lease – even the sale of "elegant family Bibles" – were all listed on the front page of the local newspaper. (Those Bibles, by the way, were being sold for \$10 each, which works out to \$205.60 by today's standards.)

FOREIGN NEWS
 Despite being a local newspaper, the Lancaster Journal did report news from around the world. A section of this page titled "Foreign Intelligence" offers brief reports from Europe, describing the bloodshed in the French Revolutionary Wars and the Coalition Wars of that era. Such news, relayed by personal letters, took a long time to reach Lancaster – the reports in this February issue are dated the previous November. To modern readers, seeing the exploits of Napoleon Bonaparte detailed as news in the Lancaster paper, alongside real estate listings, might seem bizarre. But the newspaper was the only way for such information to reach county residents in an era that predated not only radio and television, but even the telegraph.

A CHANGE AT THE TOP
 The top portion of a newspaper's front page that contains the name of the publication is referred to as the "flag" or "nameplate," and this issue features the second version of the Lancaster Journal flag. Over the years, Lancaster County newspaper flags ran the gamut from clean, simple typefaces to swirling masses of Gothic script, but this example, with its ornate decorations and Fraktur-esque calligraphic flourishes, is arguably the most elaborate.

THE 1790s in LANCASTER
 The Lancaster Journal, first published in June 1794, is the earliest newspaper to which the current LNP traces its lineage. Its news office was at the Euclid's Head tavern on West King Street, at the site of the present LNP building. The Lancaster Journal was joined by another weekly newspaper, the *Intelligencer* and *Weekly Advertiser* in 1799, the same year Lancaster became the capital of Pennsylvania, an honor the city held until 1812.

