

that they be en-souled and called to exercise those gifts to the glory and honor of our great head and Master.

May every one, according to his capacity and station in life, be diligent in the work and graver privileges in the Lord, by manifesting that the belief of the truth as in Jesus, doth ever influence to love and good Works.

We have appointed our next annual convention to be held at Philadelphia, the twenty-fifth day of May, 1793; at three o'clock P.M.

And may God, who guides, governs and directs all things to his own glory and the good of his creatures—who hath all flesh in his holy keeping, keep you and us, with all the brethren of mankind, in the bond of peace and the fellowship of the gospel—the prayer of your brethren in the full assurance of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Signed by request and behalf of the convention.

JAMES MOORE, Moderator.

Attest

DAVID EVAN, Clerk.

The Printers throughout the United States will oblige the convention by inserting this in their newspapers.

## F R A N C E . NATIONAL ASSEMBLY,

APRIL 25.

Is the sitting of the 19th, M. D'Assas read the following communications:

Letter from M. Neailler.

To the French Minister of foreign affairs. April 4—SIR,

" YOUR dispatches of the 27th of March, were brought me by the Courier Desvilles, on the 4th of April I immediately obeyed the instructions contained in them, by visiting the Comte Cobenzel, vice-chancellor of state and of court. I preferred addressing myself to the king himself, because I was sure of introducing whatever I chose to the knowledge of the sovereign.

" I said everything to the vice-chancellor which could produce a definitive explanation, such as you wished. I presented to him how much our enemies increased every day, upon observing the hostile preparations directed against us.

[M. Neailler, after some similar observations, concluded his address to Count Cobenzel by saying, that he had received orders to demand a declaration by which the court of Vienna should renounce its armaments and coalition; and to announce, that in default of this declaration, the French king will consider himself to be in a state of war with Austria, in which he would be supported by the whole nation, who will only for a moment desist.]

" Count Cobenzel, undertook to justify his court from the hostile views imputed to it, and contended, that the reinforcements sent to Brüggen were for the pacification of ends. I observed, that there was many precautions, after the concert that was known to us, justified our alarm. I insisted especially upon the conclusion of this concert to contrary to what we might expect from an ally.

" The reply of Count Cobenzel confirmed me in my former opinion, that his court did not wish to attack us, but would make requisitions, which it would be difficult to avoid without war. He said, that the concert was no longer personally to the king of Hungary; that he could not withdraw himself, but with other courts; and that this concert would continue till what remained to be settled with France was brought to a conclusion.

I specified to me three points.

1st. " That satisfaction should be given to the powers pacified in Alzace.

2d. " That satisfaction should be given to the pope for the county of Avignon.

3d. " That the neighbouring powers shall have no reason for apprehension which arise from the present weakness of the internal government of France.

" I asked Count Cobenzel, if, for answer to the representations which I had made him, I might say, that his court adhered to the official note of the 10th of March. The minister, perceiving himself surrounded by the circle which I had drawn, said, that he would take directions of his Majesty, and inform me of what he should be ordered to say.

" M. de Bischofswieler, sat on this day upon his return to Berlin. He would have begun his journey sooner, but that he waited for a circular letter, which will be addressed to the colored courts, and probably to the state of the empire; at colors demanding from each the assent that they have proposed to give, either in money or men, in case of war.

" This I am informed, was the motive of his delay, but I have no certainty upon the subject.

" M. de Bischofswieler will stop at Prague to see the prince of Hohenlohe, and agree with him upon the time and place for an interview between the Austrian general and the duke of Brunswick. This interview is expected to take place at Leipzig, in the course of next month. According to the opinion, the court of Vienna has adopted a plan purely defensive, notwithstanding the endeavors of the court of Berlin to ingraft another."

Second letter of M. Neailler.

" I have waited, for the answer of the Count de Cobenzel. He has just informed me, on the part of the king of Hungary, that the note dated March 18, contains the answer to the demands which I had been charged to renew; and that the despatch expressed in that note could be the last altered since it contained also the opinion of the king of Prussia upon the affairs of France, an opinion agreeing in all respects with that of the king of Hungary.

The present then read the following Letter from the King.

" Mr. President,

" I entreat you to make known to the assembly that

I shall come thre to-morrow at half past twelve o'clock.

Signed to LOUIS."

On Friday his majesty came to the assembly, the members of which role and were uncoined as his escort, and took their seats when he had reached his place. Telling them spake as follows—

Gentlemen,

" I have come among you for an object of the highest importance in the present circumstances. My minister of foreign affairs will read to you the report which he made to me in council on our situation with regard to Germany."

The minister of foreign affairs then went up, and handing by the king's side, read the report, which the king had notified the assembly.

Minutes of the Cabinet Council of France addressed to the KING.

" SIRE,

" When you took an oath of fidelity to the Constitution, you became the object of the hatred of the enemies of liberty. No natural tie could stop them, no motive of alliance, of neighborhood, or property, could prevent their enmity. Your ancient allies erred your name out of the list of desots, and from that moment they forgot your majesty's fidelity. The enemies, rebels to the laws of their country, are beyond the frontier to prepare a guilty aggression against France. They wish to carry into its bosom fire and sword. Their rage would have been impotent if the foreign prince had not incited and encouraged their criminal machinations. The house of Austria has done every thing to encourage theirocracy. The house of Austria, who dictated the treaty of 1766, has found us good and faithful allies—It is treachery, Sirs, subjected us to the ambitious views of this house. She enraged us in all her ways, to which she called her allies. We have been prodigal of our blood in the cruel tragedies of despotism. The instant that the house of Austria saw she could no longer govern us for her purposes, the become our enemy.

" It was Austria that first lit up against France the reefs. Neither Potemont, whose tyrannical phrenzy had at last made him fall under the sword of an assassin—it was Austria in office, of which Europe shall judge, advised one party of Frenchmen to take up arms against the other. The note of the court of Vienna, of the 18th Feb., was in truth a declaration of war. M. Kastiglione therewith the league of the powers against France. The death of Leopold ought to have made some change in this ambitious system but we have seen the contrary.

" The note of the 18th of March, is the ultimatum of the court of Vienna. This note is more provoking still that the former. The king of Hungary wishes that we should submit our conditions to his revision; and he does not dissemble the project of annexing France against Frenchmen.

" Sir," continues the minister, in charging me with the administration of foreign affairs you have imposed on me the telling you the truth. I proceed to tell you the truth. I extract from this explanation, that the treaty of 1766 is broken, in fact, by the house of Austria, that the maintenance of a league of the powers is an act of hostility against France, and that you ought this instant to order M. Neailler, your ambassador, to quit the court of Vienna without taking leave. Since, the Austrian troops are on the march, the camp is arced out, fortresses are building. The nation, by its oath on the 17th of July, has declared that any man who shall accede to an unconditional negotiation, is a traitor. The delay granted to Austria is expired, your honor is stanch, the nation is insulted. Therefore remains for you no other part to take but to make to the national Assembly the formal proposition of war against the king of Bohemia and Hungary."

" The minister having read the minute, the king resumed his speech—

Concurrence of the KING'S SPEECH.

" You have heard, Messieurs, the deliberation and the decision of my council. I adopt their determination. It is conformable to the will, many times expost, of the National Assembly, and to that which has been addressed to me as the will of all the French people. Frenchmen prefer war to a numerous anxiety, and to a humiliating state, which comprises our confederation, and our dignity. I have done every thing to avert war; but I judge it impossible. I come, therefore, in the terms of the constitution, to propose to you, formally to declare War against the king of Bohemia and Hungary."

A burst of applause broke from the galleries. The Assembly maintained a dignified silence. The General answered.

" SIRE,

" The Assembly will proceed to deliberate on the great proposition which your Majesty has made to them. They will address to you, by a message, the result of their deliberations."

The King then retired with his ministers, and conducted by the same delegation of members. The Hall rang with acclamations of the People.

The Assembly was adjourned to five in the evening.

Dr. JOHNSON's Letter to the Late Earl of Chesterfield has been much spoken of and eagerly sought after. We are happy in the opportunity of presenting it to our readers.

February \*\*\* 1755.

My Lord,

HAVE been lately informed, by the proprietors of the world, that two papers, in which my Dictionary is recommended to the public, were written by your Lordship. To be so distinguished is a humor, which being very little accustomed to favor from the GREAT, I know not well how to receive, or in what term to acknowledge.

When, upon some slight encouragement, I first visited your Lordship, I was overpowered, like the rest of mankind, by the encroachment of your address, and could not forbear to say, that I might boast myself

le voisinier dans tout le territoire. I implored that regard for which I saw the world contented. But I found my attendance to little encouraged, neither pride nor modesty, would suffer me to enter. It. When had once addressed your Lordship, it was I, had exhausted all the art of pleasing, which I tire, and uncoined scholar can platters. I had done all that I could; and no man is well pleased to have ALL neglected, be it ever so little.

Seven years my lord, have soy puffed since I was in your outward room, or was repelled from your door; during which time I have been nothing, or my work-thorough difficulties, of which it is needless to complain; and have brought it at last to the verge of insurrection, without one act of assistance, one word of encouragement, or one smile of favour. Such treatment is called a son of Pittsburgh; his husband had lodges with her that night, but had left her house, and the door standing wide open; shortly after the two frontiers were away, a number of Indians came into the house and drew her out of bed, by the feet; the two eldest children, who also lay in another bed, were drawn out at the same manner; a younger child, about one year old, slept with the defendant; the Indians then searched about the articles in the house; when they did not find what they were looking for, they gave them plenty of tobacco, and then left.

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