

THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT.—The President of the United States accompanied by his son, George W. Adams, Esq. arrived in this town from Providence on Friday last, at 3 o'clock, P. M. and immediately took lodgings at Mr. Townsend's Coffee House. It had been previously made known that Mr. Adams would avail himself of this opportunity to visit the military works at Brenton's Point, and to receive the visits of such of his fellow-citizens as thought proper to call upon him.—Though the weather was unfavorable in the *extreme for a general levee*, the President's rooms were constantly filled on Friday evening and the following morning, and a very general introduction took place of our most respectable townsmen—to the mutual satisfaction we believe of the President and his constituents. —On Saturday morning, the President accompanied by the Hon. Asher Robbins, Hon. D. J. Pearce, Governor Gibbs, Lieut. Gov. Collins, and other gentlemen of distinction—visited the most interesting establishments in town, and afterwards proceeded about 12 o'clock, to the examination of the works erecting at Brenton's Point under the superintendence of Col Totten. In the course of the morning's promenade, the President had an opportunity of visiting the Redwood Library, the Lace School, recently established by Mr. and Mrs. Windsor, the State-House, Stewart's admirable portrait of Washington, and Mr. Vernon's collection of ancient paintings, by the first masters, more than 40 in number, and unrivalled in this country, excepting by the splendid gallery of the Count Surveliers. Mr. Adams expressed himself highly gratified by these objects of interest and after a general survey of the beautiful manufactures at Mr. Windsor's establishment, liberally purchased the elegant Lace Dress, which obtained the premium at Pawtuxet. At 12 o'clock, the President accompanied by Col. Totten, Major Mason, Lieut. Webb, and the gentle-

men before mentioned, was rowed in the Commandant's barge to Brenton's Point, when a very full explanation was given by the Engineer of the plan of the works, and the objects they were intended to cover. The President then took a minute survey of all that has been hitherto accomplished, and which reflected the highest credit on the ability and perseverance of the officers employed. We are glad to hear, that Mr. Adams expressed his decided conviction of the importance of this Port to the interests of the Navy, and of the necessity of prosecuting the system of fortification, until it should be completely defended. The state of the weather was such, that the President was unfortunately deprived of an opportunity of visiting Fort Wolcott—which we are certain would have contributed to his gratification, by the excellent order and thorough discipline in which the fort and its garrison are maintained by the commandant Major Mason. The weather continuing unfavorable the President returned to town in a carriage.

At 3, P. M. a company of about forty gentlemen sat down with the President to an excellent dinner, prepared by Mr. Townsend.—Lieut. Gov. Collins presided, assisted by Dr. John P. Mann. It is scarcely necessary to say that the best feelings prevailed at this social entertainment, between the citizens of this place and their distinguished guest. Upon the removal of the cloth, the President of the day, gave the following toast, which was received with great warmth of feeling by the company present—

The President of the United States, A hour in Rhode-Island.

The President then rose and spoke in effect as follows, but in his own more appropriate and eloquent language.

"I rise, gentlemen, to return you my thank for the very flattering manner in which I have just been alluded to, and for the kindness of my reception here among you. It has given me an opportunity of renewing many old and valued friendships and of forming new ones

equally fortunate in my estimation of their. It has been grateful to me thus to receive an reciprocate your kindnesses: The occasion believe me, will ever remain dear to my memory. Permit me gentlemen, to offer you—

"Rhode-Island:—In the American sister hood, may her prosperity be proportioned, no to the lowliness of her stature, but to the loftiness of her spirit."

This admirable sentiment was received with enthusiasm and drank with a flowing bumper.

By the Hon. Christopher G. Champlin:—*The Liberator and Liberated*, of South America.

By the Hon. Asher Robbins. Greece and her cause: may the crescent soon be reversed, and the cross wave in triumph over it throughout her once glorious land—a land from which every other has derived and still reflects a borrowed glory.

By Dr. John P. Mann. The memory of Adams and Washington.

By the Hon. D. J. Pearce. A safe rule in politics: "Hold fast to that which has been tried and found to be good."

By Robinson Potter, Esq. The militia and navy of the United States—the two bulwarks of the Republic.

The Collector of the port, Christopher Ellery, Esq. being called upon for a toast—gave "The beautiful in nature, woman's smile."

The President being about to retire from the table, observed in allusion to the last toast that he would give "the beautiful" again—he then gave—

"The most beautiful gem on the bosom of the ocean—the Island of Rhode-Island."

This toast having been drunk, and the hour arrived for the President's departure, he embarked immediately after in the Revenue Cutter, *Vigilant*, Capt. Cahoon, and proceeded about 5 o'clock, with a fine wind to New York. Lieut. Gov. Collins, the Collector of the port, & S. T. Northam, Esq. accompanied the President on his passage.

The following toasts were drunk at the table after the President had retired:

By Thomas G. Pitman, Esq. The sum of public virtue in the state of Massachusetts may that high example have an influence on the good people of the United States through all time, so that "Whenever our country calls—Friends up, nor own a sense beyond the public good."

By Christopher Fowler, Esq. The Nation's friend, Gen. La Fayette.

By William Marchant, Esq. John Jay, the venerable patriot, the wise legislator, the skillful diplomatist, the profound lawyer and statesman, the upright judge, and above all *the good man*.

By William Ellery, Esq. Charles Carroll of Carrollton, the last of the signers of the Declaration.

By Col. Henry Y. Cranston.—John Quincy Adams—His enemies have said, that the country has indicted him. Let them have it so. When put upon his trial he can produce in his favor against every count, the testimony of Washington, Jefferson, Madison, and Monroe, which surely must acquit him.

By Capt. Wm. S. N. Allan.—The President of the United States.

By Col. Robert B. Cranston.—The memory of our lamented fellow citizen, Oliver H. Perry.

By Wm. H. Vernon, Esq.—*FORT ADAMS*—The citizens of Rhode-Island will be the first to defend, and the last to abandon it.

By Capt. Joseph Phillips.—The hand that can give and the heart that can forgive.

By Dr. William Turner.—The eminent American citizen—John Marshall.

By Eleazer Revett, Esq.—Toleration to every sort of *ism* but *Toryism*.

By Dr. Benj. W. Case.—May the experiment of Roger Williams on civil liberty (as adopted by America) be tried by all nations.

The company left the table at an early hour highly gratified with the interview they had the privilege of enjoying with the chief magistrate of the nation. What a delightful contrast is afforded by the plain and cordial reception, which Mr. Adams has experienced in this and every other State from his grateful fellow citizens, to the ridiculous mimicry which would be sure to be exhibited in every kingdom of Europe, if they happened to be favored with the presence of its ruler. It is the high privilege of the American Republic that its greatest citizen is but one of the people—and the happy effect of our excellent institutions is no where so powerfully manifested, as when the Governor and the governed are brought into contact.