

# IMPORTANT.

SPRINGFIELD, APRIL 2, 1808.

*Extract of a letter from the Honorable WILLIAM ELY, Esq. to his friend in this town, received by the Southern Mail of this morning.*

WASHINGTON, MARCH 27, 1808.

CONGRESS have already been five days occupied in reading the various correspondencies between our Government and Great Britain, which began in 1804, and continue down to this time, sent us in a message last Tuesday morning. We shall also be employed probably two days longer on it. We have also a VERY SMALL PORTION OF THE CORRESPONDENCE WITH FRANCE, which the President would have us understand to be in full, BUT WHICH DOES NOT LOOK LIKE THE WHOLE—IT LOOKS VERY MUCH GARBLED. The correspondence with Britain is undoubtedly full, and in my mind, it goes to shew that the Treaty OUGHT NOT to have been sent back, and that our Government have had no disposition to adjust difficulties with that nation.

I am, Sir, your's, &c.

WILLIAM ELY.

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## War With England.

*In addition to the above, we hasten to communicate the following highly interesting information, just received by a Letter from STEPHEN HIGGINSON, Jun. Esq. a Gentleman of great respectability and information in Boston, the original of which is now in our hands for the inspection of all.—The Palladium of yesterday confirms the account given by Mr. Higginson.*

BOSTON MARCH 29, 1808.

MY DEAR SIR,

LETTERS are received this evening from MR. QUINCY—he says THE EMBARGO IS NOW AVOWED TO BE DIRECTED SOLELY AGAINST ENGLAND, AND WILL BE KEPT ON 'TILL FALL, AND THEN A WAR—So the President has told a member of Congress—and they intend to enforce the Embargo by a law against the COASTING TRADE. This is really important.

Yours, &c.

STEPHEN HIGGINSON, Jun.

P. S. Letters just received from Leghorn, via Bourdeaux, state that, after taxing American property, as you have before seen, the French have now seized ALL this property.—Mr. THORNDIKE alone will loose TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

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