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The returns from all the Counties of the State of New-York except two, give to the Federalists a majority of twenty one in the House of Representatives of the State Legislature.

The sums subscribed to the Eleven Millions Loan opened on the first instant, in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, fall below four millions of dollars — With all that Virginia, and the States south of her can do, half the sum asked for will not be subscribed.

What stronger evidence can be given of the preference of the People of Peace over War, and of Free Trade over Embargo? — At every Election by the people since the War and Embargo projects of the present Congress have been brought forward, the Democratic Candidates have been rejected: —

And in States where twenty millions are eagerly offered to subscriptions for Banks, one fourth of that sum is refused to the Democratic Administration.

These are gratifying proofs of the returning virtue and good sense of the people, — Determined no longer to be led blindfold, they will judge for themselves of the conduct of their agents, will dismiss from their service, their democratic representatives who have abused their confidence, and once again under the benign influence of the principles of WASHINGTON, our affairs will be prosperous and our people happy.

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