

SWEDEN.—Two proclamations have been issued by the King of Sweden, dated 20th April, the one placing British produce, and American manufactures imported into Sweden, in British vessels, upon the same footing with respect to duties of customs, as if imported in Swedish vessels; and the other placing British vessels, in respect to duties of every description, upon a perfect equality with Swedish vessels.

AMERICA.

WEST INDIES, (Jamaica.)—A young man of colour had been sentenced to prison for two months, on charge of having cried out to the actors on the stage of the theatre, during the performance, "Play the downfall of Jamaica." The proof was not very clear. The young man conducted himself with great propriety in Court, and the tears gushed into his eyes on receiving sentence.

UNITED STATES.—The Navy.—The following vessels of war are now equipping for sea with all possible despatch, to wit, North Carolina 74, Commodore Rogers; Constellation 44, Commodore Macdonough; Hornet 22, Capt. Kennedy, Ontario 22, Capt. Nicholson, Shark 12, Lieut. Stevens, Porpoise 12, Lieut. Skinner, Store-ship Decoy, Lieut. Gamble. The Washington Gazette presumes that a considerable portion of this armament, is intended to shew itself along the coasts of South America, and we trust the presumption is correct.

SOUTH AMERICA.—The following bill passed both houses of Congress and received the Vice President's sanction on the 6th of May.

The Senate and House of Representatives of Columbia, considering.

1st. That Peace has not yet crowned the efforts of our arms, notwithstanding they have driven the enemy from the whole territory of the Republic.

2d. That the re-establishment of an absolute government in Spain leaves us no hope to expect its acknowledgement of the independence of these countries and her colonies, have decreed,

Art. 1. The executive Power shall raise fifty thousand men, exclusive of the troops in actual service, diminishing the said number as circumstances may require.

The troops to be furnished by each department are as follows—

Orohoco, 3500; Cauca, 3860; Venezuela, 8600; Magdalena, 4786; Zulia, 3242; Panama, 1600; Boyaca, 8880; Quitto, 9200; Condinamarca, 7420; Guayaquil, 1800

This number of troops makes about .2 per cent on the whole population of Columbia.

BUENOS-AYRES.—An English Brig had arrived at Montevideo which had proceeded as far as south lat. 74, 10, where she found an open sea and discoloured water, land supposed to be near. In consequence of the lateness, of the season, the vessel was obliged to return.

The Gaceta Mercantile of Beunos Ayres of the 5th contains the Message of the Executive department of the government to the Legislative Body, at the opening of their session, giving a detail of the state of public affairs.

It commences by announcing in terms of exultation the arrival of the first Minister Plenipotentiary from the Republic of the United States, and the appointment of a Representative of Buenos-Ayres, of equal rank, to reside at Washington who is charged to intimate to that Republic the propriety of adopting another great principle in addition to the two already recommended, the abolition of privateering and the prohibition of European colonization, namely, that none of the new Governments of this Constitution shall forcibly alter their limits as acknowledged at the period of their emancipation.

The arrival of the Consul General of His Britanic Majesty is also noticed, and the appointment by the government of B. A. of a similar officer to reside in London.

The Government had been exerting itself with the neighboring Provinces for the re-establishment of a National Congress, and with such success that they had hopes that their wishes would speedily be realised.