

# Selections From 'The Patriot,' 1823-24

**May 28, 1823:** Prospectus [see facsimile, p. 7]

Article on Washington Irving

Wiley books advertisement

Dispatch from Vera Cruz, Mexico, April 10, 1823; 1822 coup attempt, attempt to disrupt Mexico's Congress.

"Catholic books" advertisement

**May 29, 1823:** History of Battle of King's Mountain

Dispatch from Colombia, South America: Our country is "wanting the Promethean fire of life and emotion."

Defeat of Colombian naval forces by Spain

Article defending Commodore Porter from gossiping public insinuations

**May 31, 1823:** "The greater interests of the State of New York are undoubtedly those of Manufactures and Internal Improvements." A letter to the editor attacks the *Advocate*, the paper run by Mordecai Noah on behalf of Martin Van Buren.

Spain's military expedition against Peru.

Dispatch from Rio de Janeiro, dated April 9, 1823

On the Susquehanna Canal—Baltimore report

On Gen. Andrew Jackson, from a Baltimore paper

**June 2, 1823:** "In republics, the leaders of factions and intriguers, are the same vile race, which in monarchies are known by the name of courtiers, sycophants and parasites ... dictators

and their instruments." (speaking of the Van Buren gang)

**June 5, 1823:** "Republican General Cttee will meet at Tammany Hall on June 5—William Paulding, Junior, Chairman

"At a meeting of the Republican General Cmttee held June 5, it was resolved that the *New York Patriot* be recommended. ...—W. Paulding Jr., chairman"

**June 7, 1823:** Defense of Judiciary and U.S. Constitution from attack by *The Advocate*; "Was Washington, or Franklin, or Madison ... an enemy of freedom?" Defense of implied powers, and of a national bank and the Supreme Court, against "a faction of state bankers and brokers."

**June 10, 1823:** Report that a systematic opposition has been formed against the Administration of President James Monroe, with "secret intrigues"

Crawford vs. Calhoun, internal improvements and tariffs

**Aug. 28, 1823:** Pro-Calhoun letter

Internal improvements national story—canals history—Erie progress—address by Dr. Mitchill

Anti-Crawford, anti-Noah

**Nov. 16, 1823:** Dinner in Washington, D.C. discusses canals, anti-Crawford

Letter Oct. 24, 1823: DeWitt Clinton on the Morris Canal

**Nov. 18, 1823:** Need to reform New York State election laws to bring about popular election for U.S. President

On the "rats" (Van Buren, Crawford)

The Holy Alliance, France and Spain, vs. Colombia

**Dec. 4, 1823:** Editorial against Crawford

“National Industry”

The cause of the Greeks

William Bayard, Charles King

Europe’s recent history

In response to commentary on the Monroe Doctrine, an editorial stating that we must *not* enter into an alliance with Britain

**Jan. 1, 1824:** “Matthew Davis [aide to Aaron Burr, and later Burr’s executor and biographer] is busy again, in the *Advocate*, defeated but not subdued, he is still working as an insidious enemy to the government of his country, and as a conspirator against the people whom he dare not openly confront ... [taking part in] Van Buren’s party ... the proceedings of the next legislature will exhibit two parties, the PEOPLE and Principle, against VAN BUREN and Intrigue. The adder, that the People have heretofore nursed in their bosom, must be crushed and effectively obliterated, before his venom poisons the whole fountain of power. ...” The writers in the *Advocate* claim a contrast between J.Q. Adams, Clinton, and Calhoun.

Advertisement for Cooper’s *The Pilot*, just published

**April 17, 1824:** Short item on the Hero of New Orleans—Andrew Jackson, then considered a potential nationalist

Commenting on the attack against Jackson in the Van Buren paper, *The Advocate*

Defending Jackson’s actions in Florida

**May 1, 1824:** Letter defending J.Q. Adams against

charges of conspiracy with Henry Clay

Somehow dated Oct. 15, 1824: Memorial from the Cherokees, against Georgia

Letter from Franklin to Lafayette, Aug. 24, 1778

New York canal history

Report: Crawfordite newspaper talks of separation of the Union

**ca. Aug. 11, 1824:** Concerning the Tariff

Albert Gallatin’s sons revile President Monroe; report on Gallatin as a betrayer and VP candidate.

Report from Ireland, ugly sight of an Orange Procession; history of British oppression of Ireland

**Sept. 6, 1824:** Austria and Italy

Lafayette’s visit to New York

Lafayette will dine today at the Cincinnati society at Washington Hall

**Oct. 20, 1824:** People’s ticket—Wheaton, Gouverneur

On the redemption of the state from the disgrace and “intrigue of the Caucus King and his devoted Regency at Albany”

**Dec. 31, 1824:** One article favors Andrew Jackson over John Quincy Adams, while other reports had favored Adams. (The paper’s nationalists were still mulling over their course of action, as the 1824 Presidential election was thrown into the Congress. With nationalists’ support, Adams was chosen on the first ballot on Feb. 9, 1825.)

Winfield Scott left West Point for Washington.