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Sheriffalty.

JAMES SALISBURY

BEGS leave to inform his friends, and the public generally, that he is induced, from the suggestions of a number of his friends, to declare himself a candidate for the office of

Sheriff,

At the next ensuing election. Confident of his abilities to execute the duties of the office, he respectfully invites and solicits the suffrages of the voters of Kent county.

Nov. 1. 17—2t

New Fall Goods

THE subscribers have just received from Philadelphia and Baltimore, a general assortment of

SEASONABLE

GOODS,

Among which are London Superfine Cloths, Common do. Superfine Cassimeres, Common do. Cassinetts, Rose Blankets, Point do. white Flannels, Red do. Yellow do. Red Backings, Green do. ...azettes, Bombazeens, Men's Stockings, Ladies do. Children's do. Circassian Plaids, Guernsey Frocks, Calicoes, Ginghams, Domestic Plaids, Cotton Shawls, Ribbon, Vest Patterns, Velvet Cords, Colored Muslin, Italian Crape, Check, India Muslin, Domestic bleached and unbleached do. Cambricks do. Book do. Leno do. Jaconets do. Book Muslin Handkerchiefs, Jaconets do. Mattrass do. Flag do. Plaid Silk do. *Waterloo* Shawls, Gloves assorted, Pins, Tapes, Cotton Balls, Hank Cotton, &c. &c. &c. with a general assortment of Groceries, Hard, Hollow, Cedar, China, Glass, Queens wares, Men's Shoes, *Women's* do. Children's do. Hats, Family and other Medicines, all of which will be sold at very reduced prices for *Cash or Country Produce.*

Those disposed to purchase will please call and examine for themselves.

ROCHESTER & HOWARD.

Elkton, Oct. 25 16—tf

Valuable Property

FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers at private sale on the premises, in Octoraro hundred, Cecil county, Md. all the following described property, to wit:

ONE TRACT OF LAND,

adjoining lands of John Conrad, Elizabeth Walker, Mrs. Grubb and others, containing about 120 acres, more or less, on which is erected two good

TENANT HOUSES,

Stables, &c. One half of this farm is covered with locust, whiteoak, chesnut and poplar. There is on this property an excellent peach orchard, and there are excellent seats for water works of any kind on the Conowingo creek, which stream passes through and by the farm.

The above property is situated in a rich, healthy and pleasant neighborhood, half a mile from the Conowingo Bridge village and the Susquehanna Canal, one mile from Baldfriar ferry, and one mile from the Catholic Church. Also,

ONE TRACT OF LAND,

situate in said hundred, adjoining lands of Wm. Preston, Joshua Lowe and others, containing about 859 acres, more or less, on which is erected one good

DWELLING HOUSE,

a Barn, Stables, &c. There are on this farm upwards of 100 grafted apple trees, a variety of thriving peach trees. One half of this farm is covered with heavy timber of the first quality.

This property is also situated in a healthy neighborhood, half a mile from the Friends meeting house, three miles from the Conowingo Bridge, eight miles from Port Deposit, and convenient to 2 merchant mills. The contemplated road from the aforesaid bridge to New London ✗ Roads passes through this farm.

If the above properties are not sold previous to the *first Monday in March next*, they will, on that day, be sold at public sale.

Terms will be made known on application to Jas. C. M'Dowell, Esq. residing on the former described property, or to the subscriber residing on the latter.

ANDREW R. PORTER.

Oct. 25 16—ts

☞ The editor of the "*Village Record*," West Chester, Pa. will insert the foregoing advertisment 3 times and forward his account for collection.

Job Printing

Of every description neatly and expeditiously executed

AT THE ELKTON PRESS OFFICE.

Sheriff's Sales.

BY virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas, issued out of Cecil county Court, and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on *Monday the 24th day of November, instant,* at the house of Thomas Rutter, in Elk Neck, all his right, title, interest and claim in and to the

TRACT OF LAND,

on which he now resides.—Taken as the property of said Rutter, and will be sold to satisfy a debt due Henry Hollingsworth.

FRANCIS GILLESPIE, *Sheriff.*

Oct. 31 17—ts

BY virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas, issued from the Court of Appeals of the Eastern Shore of Md. and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on *Saturday the 22d day of November, instant,* in Back Creek hundred, 490 acres of

LAND,

the property of Thomas Biddle, and will be sold to satisfy a debt due Thomas Jones, &c.

FRANCIS GILLESPIE, *Sheriff.*

Oct. 31 17—ts

$10 Reward.

STRAYED away on the 19th instant, from the pasture of Mr. Henry Hollingsworth, in Elkton,

2 Mares:

one a fleabitten grey, ... hands high, the other a ... spotted—... in very good order—the other black, with a faint star in her forehead, heavy built, about fourteen and a half hands high.

The above reward will be paid on the delivery of the mares to Mr. Henry Hollingsworth, with reasonable charges; or $5 for either of them.

JOHN M'ILVAIN.

Of Chester, Pa.

Nov. 1. 17—3t.

Land, Mill Seat, and a Store House in Elkton,

At Public Sale.

WILL be offered at public sale (if not previously disposed of) on *Saturday the 15th day of November next,* at the house of Mr. Rowland Ellis, in Elkton, the following property, viz:

NO. I.

A FARM

In West Nottingham, in Cecil county, within 2 miles of the Brick Meeting house, and 7 miles of Elkton, containing 155 acres, 40 of which are woodland. On this land there is a fall of water of 70 feet on a never failing stream—the country is very healthy, and is admirably calculated for the erection of extensive water works. This land lies within 4 miles of navigation, and will be sold for the one fourth cash and the balance on a credit of 6, 12 and 18 months.

NO. II.

A LOT

In Charlestown, eligibly situated in that flourishing village.

NO. III.

THE STORE HOUSE AND LOT OF GROUND,

In Elkton, now occupied by the Rev. Mr. Sharply. The building which is of brick, is two stories high, was expressly erected for a dry good and grocery store—is 60 by 55 feet; one part is occupied as a granary and grocery store, and the other for dry goods—a brick wall dividing. It is one of the best stands in the town, situate on the corner near the Market House. The lot is 87 feet by 197 feet deep.

Sale will commence 3 o'clock, P. M. Terms at sale.

JOSEPH G. PARTRIDGE.

Baltimore, Oct. 25 16—ts

Was Lost

ON Monday the 6th inst. in Elkton, or on the road between Elkton and Capt Rickets' mill,

A double cased Silver Watch.

Made by "A. Cameron, Liverpool—No. 5585." The person finding said watch and returning it to the office of the Elkton Press, will be liberally rewarded by the owner.

Watchmakers are requested to secure the said watch, if it comes into their possession for repair, and send it as above.

Oct. 11 15—4t

Jefferson Glenn,

ATTORNEY AT LAW,

OFFERS his professional services to the people of Cecil county. His office is in Elkton, two doors west of Mr. Beasten's tavern, where he will always be found during office hours.

Oct. 4. 14—5t

Cheap Goods.

THE subscriber, grateful for the unparalleled support he has met with to his time of business, takes this method of informing his friends, and the public generally, that he has on hand, and intends keeping a general assortment of

Dry Goods

AND GROCERIES;

CHINA, GLASS, QUEENS AND HOLLOW WARE;

LIQUORS

OF THE BEST QUALITY;

Men's & boys' Water Proof Hats, men's and boys' Wool Hats.

MEN'S, WOMEN'S & CHILDREN'S

SHOES,

Patent Medicines.

suitable for the fall diseases, &c. &c. all of which he intends selling at reduced prices for *Cash or Country Produce.*

Persons wishing to purchase will please call and examine for themselves—and by so doing they will much oblige their humble servant.

WILLIAM WINGATE.

North East, Oct. 1. 14—tf.

DISTILLERY

For Sale.

THE subscriber offers at private sale, a Distillery consisting of two STILLS, one of the capacity of 144 and the other of the capacity of 66 gallons, together with the necessary apparatus, and 100 HOGSHEADS.

For terms apply to *James Andrews* Esq. Coleraın township, Lancaster county, Pa. or to the owner, in Elkton.

JOHN M'CORD.

Sept. 27. 13—tf

VALUABLE

LANDS MILLS

FOR SALE.

THE subscribers offer at private sale, a very

Valuable Plantation,

situate in Octoraro hundred, Cecil county, Maryland, containing 260 acres, with a

GRIST & MERCHANT

MILL,

thereon erected (long known by the name of Porter's mill,) on that never failing stream, Octoraro.

There are on this property a number of excellent seats for water-works of any kind, either on the Octoraro or on a tributary stream which passes through the farm.—The land is naturally productive, and the fields may be watered at a small expense.

The above property is situated in a rich, healthy and pleasant neighborhood, 2 miles from the Susquehanna canal, 6 from the tide water at Port Deposit, 40 from Baltimore, and 30 from Wilmington.

For further particulars, apply to the owners, on the premises.

JOHN H. HARLAN,
M. A. HARLAN.

Sept. 6. 10—tf

$10 Reward.

WAS stolen from the pasture of the subscriber, in Appoquinimink hundred, New Castle county, Del. on the night of the 1st inst. a black

HORSE,

about twelve and a half hands high, with a star in his forehead; has a white mark on his wither occasioned by the saddle, and a scar on his right shoulder. He is a natural trotter.

The above reward will be paid to any person giving information of the said horse, so that the owner may get him again, and all reasonable expenses paid if brought home.

REUBEN H. PRIMROSE.

Lumber Yard.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public in general, that he has on hand

100,000 FEET WHITE PINE

BOARDS,

200,000 Shinges,

AND A QUANTITY OF

Ark Planks.

All of which he will sell at a moderate price, for cash.

ENOCH CLOUD.

Elkton, July 5. 1—tf

Candle Manufactory.

THE subscribers beg leave to inform their friends and the public generally, that they have commenced the manufacture of

CANDLES,

at their store ... above Mr. Gee's ... where Mould and Dipped Candles can be supplied by the box, or ...

VIRTUE & HOGG.

Elkton, ...

... the highest market price will be given for rendered Tallow.

Valuable Property

FOR SALE.

THE subscribers offer at private sale, on the premises, at and near Rock Run, and adjoining Port Deposit, in Cecil county, Maryland, all the following described valuable and celebrated Property, viz:

NO. 1.

Containing 11 acres, immediately at Rock Run, whereon Samuel Kerr now resides, on which is erected a commodious and comfortable

Dwelling House,

and store house, and stables, and large fish shed and FISHERY thereto belonging, and other necessary out houses, &c.

NO. 2.

The undivided half part of an

ISLAND,

in the river Susquehanna, near Octoraro, on which there are 2 good FISHERIES.

NO. 3.

ONE ISLAND,

in said river, near Rock Run, containing 60 acres, over which the Port Deposit bridge passes, on which is erected

FIVE DWELLING

HOUSES,

blacksmith shop, and one good FISHERY thereto belonging. It was the opinion of the late Mr. Burr, that two excellent seats for Mills or Factories might be had on this island.

NO. 4.

ONE ISLAND,

immediately below the above, and nearly adjoining, containing 30 acres.

NO. 5.

One Tract of Land,

adjoining lands of John Patterson, Esq. and others, containing 84 acres, on which is erected

TWO GOOD DWELLING

HOUSES,

stables, &c. One third of this farm is covered with heavy timber of the first quality.

NO. 6.

One Lot of Ground,

in the town of Port Deposit, with two good

DWELLING HOUSES,

one of which has been occupied by Mr. David White for a number of years as a public house, and other out houses erected thereon, and is situated on the corner where the turnpike road takes off from the bridge to Easton, which makes it a valuable stand for that business.

NO. 7.

One Fishery,

about one mile below Octoraro, and near Mrs. M'Elarrys.

NO. 8.

Two thirds of that celebrated and well known FISHERY, called *The Barr,* the patent of which covers 100 acres, and is now making very fast.

The above lands are well known to be of the best quality in the county, and as for good situation, it is evident from their being so near tide, and so immediately in and on the great Susquehanna, that their advantages is inferior to none in the state.

If the above properties are not sold previous to *Thursday the 20th day of November next,* they will on that day be sold at public sale.

Terms will be made known on application to

SAMUEL KERR,
ROBERT KERR.

Sept. 18. 11—tf

Blanks ... ale.

Elkton Press.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1823.

The sale of the property of Mr. Thomas Burton, inserted in the first page by Sheriff Gillespie to take place on the 14th inst. is postponed.

FOR THE ELKTON PRESS.

MASONRY.

Free Masonry is a speculative science of [illegible] the terms, resulting from many moments [illegible] Geometry, the laws of which [illegible] and [illegible] in the regulation of the world.

And as the Grand Lodge of the universe [illegible] foundation [illegible] perfection and wisdom, with a view to useful [illegible] society proceed [illegible] and harmony [illegible] benevolence from what is observed from wisdom, regularity and mercy, in the works of nature.

Nature [illegible] surpasses art in the [illegible] works [illegible] contemplation [illegible] awful amazement.

But of all the works of human art, Masonry [illegible] useful and [illegible] deemed [illegible] savage from social life. In countries where operative Masonry [illegible] proportion [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] we derive our existence as a Society from this source we draw our lines, our rules, and our compasses [illegible] adopt the means [illegible] as well as such [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] of Free Masonry [illegible] [illegible] the high and the low—the rich and the poor—the proud and the humble [illegible] Every Brother [illegible] the Lodge [illegible] a mind of lowliness [illegible] the laws of the society [illegible] all adventitious distinctions. So again the plumb-line [illegible] by the application of which the building is raised in a perpendicular direction, is another of our symbols [illegible] of a fair and honorable [illegible] we are typically cautioned against any deviation from an upright conduct in all our intercourse and transactions whether private or public. The compass is [illegible] instrument used to [illegible] thus we adopt as an emblem of prudence; at symbolic-ally instructs us to put moral restraints on our appetites—to circumscribe, within rational bounds, our wants, our pleasures, our expenses; warning us, that by an opposite course, we should endanger our quiet and our health, our reputation and our liberty.

Free Masonry, therefore, we see, lies in having various symbols, a legend, and to be qualified to reveal their meaning, a man must know more than a mere nominal Mason; the full interpretation of them is in select hands—has been committed only to those of tried fidelity, who conceal it with social care. Others, if not wanting in intellect, yet wanting in leisure or inclination to explore the penetralia of the emblems, are not qualified or willing to decypher it. Hence the secrecy which has so long distinguished the fraternity. This secrecy, however, has been urged against our institution as a crime; but the wise know that secrecy, prudently maintained, is one of the best securities of social happiness. There is more private misery arising from an unguarded communication of words and actions, than from the anger of Heaven. Other objections have been urged against our society, but they are too contemptible to combat, deeming it altogether [illegible] to wage war with sarcasms, and trusting to our conduct to repel the contempt [illegible]

Under the auspices of Free Masonry we are taught, by throwing a life of [illegible] and obedience, and in union with the wise and good, to seek peace and enjoy it.

A member of Lodge No. [illegible]

A new way of commencing Battle.—A North Carolina paper says—"We are gratified in noticing the increase of our population by the influx of *strangers*. Some [illegible] a dozen young gentlemen were added to the number last night."

Snowing.—The snow had fallen so deep at Woodstock, Vermont, on the [illegible] that sleighs were passing along with considerable briskness.

Evidence of Economy.—It is stated that the new Postmaster General, in making the contracts last month for carrying the various mails in the United States, has reduced the amount for that service about *seventy thousand dollars* less than it has heretofore been.

Remarkable.—In Elizabethtown, N.J. a lady of perfect health was employed the other day to make a shroud for a deceased neighbour; but she [illegible] and was buried with the shroud of her own make.

A Dangerous Mouthful.—A professor of Saturology [illegible] after amusing a crowd for some time by playing with a snake, after various feats, which moved to admiration the minds of the young [illegible] and the lady portion, finally, for *one cent*, exacted from each of his spectators, commenced [illegible] *alive* as it was, into his mighty mouth.—Then, says the Argus, burst the peals of deserved applause, [illegible] it was a merry sight to see the *little* [illegible] poking his head from between the teeth of the *great animal*, hissing defiance on all around.

Murder.—A murder was committed sometime since near Burlington, Indiana. Andrew Ferguson, Jonas Dugger and Isaac Edwards, had all been guests at a wedding. After it was over, the first two pursued Edwards and gave him to understand they intended to dog him. Edwards drew a knife in self-defence. Ferguson armed himself with an axe and Dugger with a club. The fatal blow was given by Ferguson, who struck Edwards on the shoulder with his axe, which cut down to the breast. Dugger afterwards struck Edwards twice upon the head. The murderers are secured.

PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION.

It appears that the whole number of votes polled at the late Election was 154,07[illegible] that Mr. Shulze had 89,9[illegible] and Mr. Gregg 64,1[illegible], leaving a Democratic majority of 25,807. Notwithstanding the increased zeal and unity with which Mr. Gregg was supported by the Federal party, and an increase of 19,797 votes, still he has not received within [illegible] as many votes as General Hiester received in 1820.

From the Nashville Gazette.

Andrew Jackson, on the 1st day of Oct. was elected by the Legislature of Tennessee, a Senator in Congress. That he was not a candidate, and did not seek or solicit the appointment, nor was influenced by personal considerations, will appear from the following correspondence with which we have been politely favored by Maj. Maury:

Murfreesborough, Sept. 20, 1823.

Dear General—I am particularly requested by many friends of yours, to enquire if you are willing to serve in the Senate of the United States. The general wish here, is that you may assent to what your friends earnestly desire, and enter upon a service, which, though at war with your individual interest, is yet one, which it is hoped you will not decline. Indeed, looking to the declaration made by you to the Committee of the state of Pennsylvania, "that office should be neither sought for nor declined," a strong disposition was entertained to venture your name for the proposed appointment, without enquiring of you aught about it; but, considering that you are at a convenient distance, I have thought proper, at the desire of several of the members, to propose it in confidence to you. If you shall consent to let your name be used, it is probable the three gentlemen who are at present before the Legislature for the appointment will decline; if this, however, should not be the case, even then, although some of the members have become pledged, and although the sectional division of East Tennessee rights may somewhat operate, still I feel authorized to say, and entertain no doubt of the fact, that you will be supported by a large majority of the Legislature. All we want is a belief that you will permit your name to be used.

I am, with great respect, your most obedient servant,

ABRAM MAURY.

Gen. Andrew Jackson.

ANSWER.

Hermitage, 21st Sept. 1823.

Dear Sir—Your letter of yesterday has reached me, stating it to be the desire of many members of the Legislature that my name be proposed for the appointment of Senator in Congress. It is very true, as you remark, that I have [illegible] said, but have, through life, acted from the principle that offices in a Republican government [illegible] ought not to be solicited, nor yet, when conferred, to be declined. I would suggest to my friends, whether they ought not to excuse me from accepting the appointment they have proposed. There are many [illegible] better qualified to meet the fatigues of journey than myself, and on whose services a reliance, at a time to come, with a prospect of becoming better as they advance, might be safely reposed; whereas in mine, being impaired, and advanced [illegible] neither the one or the other could be calculated on from me; and besides would be thought—nay would be said that my state had [illegible] which had been long [illegible] with a view to other objects, and for other purposes which are at present pending before the nation. I have therefore earnestly to request my friends, and beg of you not to press me to an acceptance of the appointment. If appointed, I could not decline, and yet in accepting, I should find it [illegible] to my wishes and to my feelings. The length of time I have passed in public service, authorises me to make this request, which with my friends, I trust, will be considered reasonable and proper.

With great regard, I am, very respectfully, Yours,

ANDREW JACKSON.

Maj. Abram Maury,
Member Senate of Repts.

AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.

Pursuant to public notice, the first exhibition by the Agricultural Society, was held at Paoli, Chester county Pa. on the 22d, 23d, and 24th ult. The days were uncommonly fine, and a great number of people attended the exhibition. For the following particulars, we are indebted to the editor of the Village Record:—

"The first day I was not present. The second, I came in sight of the Paoli about noon; and the scene, I must say, was one of great life and beauty. Several thousands of persons were collected, and spread over the fields of [illegible] sometimes of twenties, sometimes in squares. In a large field on the east were pens of different animals, numerous instruments of agriculture, the stage from which the address was to be delivered; several pair of horses were in motion, trying new fashioned ploughs, mowers, cultivators and drills—each one attracting a number to witness their operation. In the smooth part of the field two elegant Arabian horses, Bashaw and Grand Sultan, were moving with all the sprightliness and grace for which they are renowned; contrasted with their light forms were to be seen the powerful Pennsylvania draught horses of the Lion strain. In several fields in the rear were herds of the first selections, both English and American, belonging to Mr. Steel, Mr. Powel, & others; & what to me is always a pleasing sight, an air of good humor and cheerfulness was every where prevalent.

On the last day the Address was delivered—the ploughing matches performed—and the premiums awarded. The Address was delivered by Jonathan Roberts, Esq. President of the Society, to a vast concourse of people; among whom were a large number of ladies, who graced the exhibition with their presence, and for whom seats had been prepared in front of the stage. The Address was sensible, pertinent, and given in handsome style. The ploughing contests were interesting. Four pieces of land, each an eighth of an acre, had been previously measured off for each plough. Four teams, each a pair of horses, entered for the premium. The contest was spirited, and excited a great deal of interest. The difference in the time of finishing the work was trifling; the quickest performing in 19 minutes; the slowest being only 20 minutes. The premium was awarded to Peter Pluck, and in truth he contested the point with a spirit worthy of his name. Next came on the ploughing with oxen, the same quantity of land being laid off for each team, which consisted of one yoke only, and without any other driver than the man who held the plough. The time of accomplishing the work, was about 25 minutes."

Governor Van Ness, in his Message to the Legislature of New York, made the following observations relative to agricultural associations.

"Agriculture is our leading employment and principal support, and deserves every attention and encouragement that can in any manner tend to the advancement of its permanent prosperity. As it is the most ancient and the most useful, so it should be viewed the most honorable of all employments. And the general diffusion of this sentiment, and the cultivation of a general regard for it, will be sure to conduce to the welfare of the state.

"Considerable improvements have been made, within a few years, as it respects the tillage of the soil and the breed and treatment of domestic animals. These have originated, in a great measure, from the spirit of emulation and inquiry excited by the establishment of agricultural societies. To the same source may be traced an improvement in that commendable industry in families, which is directed to the manufacture of articles of clothing, from materials produced on their own farms."

Curiosities of Penmanship.—We have just examined, says the National Enquirer, some specimens of penmanship, executed by a female of this town, which for ingenuity surpass every thing of the kind probably in this country. They are imitations of typography, exactly resembling the impressions of the long primer size, so as to [illegible] the closest scrutiny. Some of the specimens consist of three books [illegible] nearly 300 pages [illegible] neatly and accurately *printed* matter is the work of the pen.

Methodism in America.—The increase of this denomination is perhaps is not exceeded by any christian sect of the present age. A cursory view of its history, will tend to justify the above assertion.

Mr. Philip Embury, a local preacher from Ireland, was the first who landed in America. He began to preach in the city of New York and formed a society in 1766; and the first American Methodist Church was erected *partly by contributions from Europe*, and located in John-street, New York, A. D. 1768–9. About the same time, Messrs. *Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmore*, arrived as Missionaries, regularly appointed to labor in this country, by the British conference. From that time to the present, a period of 55 years, the borders of this church have been extended, and [illegible] presents the following aggregate, viz:—Twelve annual conferences; twelve hundred and twenty-six travelling preachers; and a total of *three hundred and twenty thousand, five hundred and forty members*. Exhibiting also, in the last year's increase, the number of *fourteen thousand nine hundred and eight*, according to the returns just made, which exhibit the total numbers within the bounds of each conference, as follows:

Ohio	30,[illegible]2
Kentucky	24,[illegible]8
Missouri	10,[illegible]2
Tennessee	21,[illegible]
Mississippi	[illegible],[illegible]4
South Carolina	[illegible]
Virginia	25,[illegible]3
Baltimore	36,4[illegible]
Philadelphia	34,[illegible]7
New York	27,4[illegible]
New England	21,9[illegible]6
Gennessee	27,683

A Singular Hypochondriac.—The following incident often related by an eminent physician of this town, occurred during his practice, early in the Revolutionary war. A farmer residing at Field's Point, an exactly had a spouse, subject to splenetic affections, which frequently filled her cranium with odd conceits.—At the time of the destruction of the Gasper frigate in the bay below, her husband, a man of unbounded patriotism, was one of the brave fellows who followed the gallant John Brown in the expedition against that vessel, leaving his wife unaccompanied, but by her little brood of chubby children. During the absence of the husband, she was visited by one of her hypochondriacal fits, and concerting herself to be a goose, determined to have a setting. Accordingly she built a nest in the cellar, procured a quantity of eggs, on which she located herself with every mark of irritability, discernible in the goose, during the process of setting. On the return of the husband, he, to his astonishment found his better half subscribing to the rites and ceremonies observed by the goose at the interesting season of incubation; preferring the company of a flock of embryo goslins, to the plump and ruddy faces of a numerous progeny. He protested in vain against her conduct; he solicited, persuaded and implored to no purpose, for she replied to his expostulations and intreaties, with a cackle and the rustling of her petticoats. A physician was sent for who informed the unhappy husband that the malady of his wife would yield to the most powerful nostrums. "But, (said he,) if she possesses any article on which she places inestimable value, bring it to me, and I will undertake to remove, or at least palliate her disorder." A china bowl, which the lady had received of her mother, at the celebration of her nuptials, was produced, with an assurance that of all things on earth she valued that the most highly.

The physician took it, went to the cellar, and ordered her to rise. She cackled, and rustled her petticoats. "Rise instantly," said the doctor, "or this bowl I will shiver in ten thousand pieces." She cackled more vehemently [illegible] back [illegible]—Violent break [illegible] exclaimed; and starting from the [illegible] wrested from the jaws of destruction the bowl which she prized so highly, which happily effected her cure.

Providence Journal.

Foreign.

NEW YORK, NOV. [illegible]

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

The packet ship Canada, Capt. [illegible] arrived on Saturday afternoon from Liverpool.—She sailed on the [illegible] September.

The Paris papers contain intelligence of much importance [illegible] letter states, that [illegible] the capture of Mar[illegible] another outwork of Cadiz [illegible] taken [illegible] military point [illegible] [illegible] commanded by the [illegible] The French liberals at [illegible] Lopez Banos and [illegible] force upon the rear of [illegible] Guardia [illegible] the occupation of [illegible] the invaders, embarked with [illegible] men to join the Constitutionalists in another quarter.

The Liverpool Mercury says [illegible] Greece are of a [illegible] the whole of a favourable [illegible] gence had been received [illegible] that the Porte has made [illegible] of Peace to the Greeks [illegible] to give them the same [illegible] and Wallachia [illegible] sent have not [illegible]

A dispatch from the Duke [illegible] the terms of capitulation [illegible] by Gen. Rose [illegible] commanded [illegible] the 4th corps of the [illegible] All the troops are to [illegible] become prisoners [illegible] to be conducted to France [illegible] French escort. The capitulation executed at Madrid, August 2[illegible]

News has been received in France an extraordinary despatch, that [illegible] had surrendered to the French [illegible]

The French official account of the [illegible] of Trocadero states the Spanish [illegible] at about 150 men [illegible] and [illegible] 900 prisoners and [illegible] 50 pieces of battering cannon [illegible] make mention of the [illegible] French.

From the other despatches [illegible] it appears that some of the [illegible] of Ballasteros' army have refused to acknowledge the Regency, but [illegible] to excite the soldiers to follow [illegible] example. The quiescent state [illegible] both Ballasteros and Morillo [illegible] mained since the capitulation [illegible] former, causes some alarm to the French, as it appears to indicate that they [illegible] not trust the renegade. The [illegible] the submission of Zayas [illegible] Carthagena prove to be false.

The yellow fever is spreading [illegible] several districts of Ireland. In [illegible] and in the province of Ulster, [illegible] continues and increasing every [illegible]

On the [illegible] of Sept. a party of [illegible] boys attacked the family of Mr. [illegible] in France [illegible] his house in Ireland [illegible] family consisted of Thomas Franks [illegible] wife and his son, and Mr. Heaney [illegible] five persons.

The French papers state that [illegible] Constitutionalists constantly [illegible] the French from the Isle of Leon [illegible] that the crews of eight Spanish [illegible] boats, taking advantage of their [illegible] who had gone to the theatre, [illegible] their moorings and gave themselves up to the French fleet. (Notre [illegible]

From the London Courier, [illegible]

It is understood that the French Ministers have formally annulled [illegible] decree issued by the Duke d'Angouleme at Andujar, respecting the [illegible] persons [illegible] in Spain for [illegible] offences. The Russian Cabinet [illegible] some time urged the repeal of [illegible] decree. It is not yet known what [illegible] this measure will have upon the [illegible] of his Royal Highness. Every [illegible] have been adopted to reconcile [illegible] but the thing is done, and the [illegible] at Madrid, supported by a foreign [illegible] er, had gained their point. [illegible] the Duke d' Angouleme will [illegible] consistently with his feelings, [illegible] in the command of the French army [illegible] question which we do not [illegible] answer—but it would be difficult [illegible] conceive any event more likely [illegible] productive of important consequences upon the fate of Spain, and more [illegible] ularly upon any negociations [illegible] be pending.

That negociations have been for [illegible] time going on with the Cortes, [illegible] every reason to believe, and the [illegible] successes of the French, had at [illegible] led to such consistency in the [illegible] that reasonable prospects were [illegible] tained of ultimate success. But [illegible] be apprehended that this [illegible] the Duke may produce unfavourable effects upon any negociations [illegible] transpire at Cadiz during their [illegible]

In the meantime, the streets [illegible] have been paved, and other [illegible] resistance adopted, in the event [illegible] capture of the [illegible] that [illegible] been entered into.

Bolton affords matter for [illegible] flection, that opposite principles [illegible] systems should lead to the same [illegible] and that the prolongation of the [illegible] the horrors of a civil war may be much owing to the influence of a foreign Power upon the Regency of Madrid, to the pretensions of the Cortes at Cadiz. During all this time the wretched king of Spain is obliged to make common cause with his goalers, and he [illegible] freedom and safety has been the *sine qua non* in every discussion, is exposed to great and imminent danger.

[illegible]drid dates to the 7th Sept. say Marshal Moncey, it is reported, is resolved to leave Catalonia, if he does not receive a reinforcement of 10,000. It is said that Lauriston demands more troops, and that all Gallicia is in commotion. It is difficult to conceive the rapidity with which the most contradictory reports succeed each other in this city. All occupations have ceased, the public places are always crowded with people, whose only object is to hear and discuss the news.

NEW YORK, NOV. 7.

Latest from France.—By the ship [illegible], Capt. Smith, in 28 days from [illegible], we have received our regular files of Paris papers to the 24th Sept. inclusive, being *two days* later than the news from the French capital, brought by the Canada. They contain an official account of the operations of Riego, to the 14th September, by which it appears that he reached Priego on the [illegible] where he encountered Ballasteros, who was stationed there with his troops. An engagement took place, in which one of Riego's brigades made a movement which led Ballasteros to believe that it intended to join him. But, instead of this, they made [illegible] Montes, and a number of officers & prisoners. On learning this, the French general Calenzat, is stated to have attacked Riego and obliged him to retire to Alcandete et Martos. This was on the 11th September. Ballasteros is then said to have been joined by Bonnemain, and to have proceeded to Alcala la Real, and next day, the [illegible] he intended to pursue Riego, whose forces are estimated at about 3,000, in a state of defection. A letter from [illegible] from the Marshal Duke of Reggio to the Secretary of War, dated Madrid [illegible] Sept in which he says, he was informed by an officer from head quarters that Riego, and three of his officers were made prisoners by the rustics of [illegible] about three leagues from Carolina, after having been routed by the troops. It is added, in a postscript, that the war minister of the Regency had informed him of the same. The same thing is said in the Gazette of the 11th Sept.

[illegible] doubt the defeat and capture of Riego. Mr. Barrell, our minister at [illegible] it will be recollected, stated in a letter dated the 20th Sept. that the authorities had spread a report days since (the 18th) that he (Riego) was captured, but it was merely to deceive the ignorant, and keep alive the hopes of the serviles, more properly called the Banditti of Spain; that he was rapidly marching towards Madrid, and but little doubt remains that at this moment within a few leagues of the capital of Spain.'

[illegible]lliman's Journal of Science and Arts.

[illegible]NG STEEL BY SOFT IRON.

[illegible] of a letter to the editor from the Rev. Harman. Dagget, Principal of the Foreign Mission School at Cornwall, Conn.

CORNWALL, Feb. 5, 1823.

[illegible] sir, I take the liberty to communicate to you a fact which [illegible]ly come to my knowledge, [illegible]ich, I judge, may be of [illegible]rable use in mechanics, [illegible]haps in philosophy. It [illegible] however be new to you. [illegible] Barnes (a cabinet maker [illegible] place) had occasion to re[illegible] cross-cut saw (a saw to [illegible]d by two persons) of ve[illegible] plate, which would re[illegible] considerable labor in the [illegible]ay of filing. He recol[illegible]aving heard that the Sha[illegible]metimes made use of what [illegible] a buz to cut iron. He [illegible] made a circular plate [illegible]ron, a piece of stove pipe [illegible] axis to it, and put it in [illegible], which gave it a very [illegible] rotary motion. While [illegible]n be applied to it a com[illegible] to make it perfectly [illegible]nd smooth; but the file [illegible] it two by it, while it re[illegible] itself no impression. He [illegible]plied a piece of rock [illegible] which had the desired [illegible] He then brought under [illegible]w plate, which in a few [illegible] was nearly and completely cut through longitudinally. [illegible] he stopped the buz, he [illegible] had received no wear [illegible] operation, and that he [illegible]mmediately apply his [illegible]ithout perceiving much heat. During the operation there appeared a band of intense fire round the buz, continually emitting sparks with great violence. He afterwards marked the saw for teeth, and in a short time cut them out by the same means. It seemed evident that the buz, in effecting the division, never came into actual contact with the plate. Was this fire, the electric fluid? If so, might it not be obtained in greater quantity, and be made more effective for chemical purposes by some such machine, than in any other way?

The number of the New England *Journal of Medicine and Surgery*, for the last month, relates the following remarkable occurrence:

"A man at Brooklin, five miles from Boston, employed as a laborer by the Rev. Mr. Colman, while drinking from the nose of a pump, felt that he swallowed some hard substance. He was soon after seized with a pain in his stomach which distressed him constantly. He thought he felt an internal movement, and occasionally he vomited blood and mucus. At the end of fourteen days, he was seized with a violent fit of vomiting, and brought up a quantity of blood, and in the midst of it *a living beetle!* He was immediately relieved of his pain. The beetle died a few hours after and was brought by the Rev. Colman to Dr. Warren. It is more than an inch long and proportionably larger. The man has since been as well as common."

Spitting of Blood.—Take conserve of roses two ounces; Locatelli's balsam dissolved with the yolk of an egg, an ounce; mix them. This is pectoral, and is good in catarrhs, coughs, spitting of blood, and consumptions. The dose is the size of a walnut twice in a day: or half dram in a fit of coughing.

The following paragraph of a sermon, delivered about year ago in the city of New York, by the Rev. John Sommerfield, was taken down in short hand, from the speaker's lips, while he was delivering it. After he had concluded his discourse, he turned most affectionately to his audience, and addressed them in the following language:

"Yes, verily the time is fast approaching, when the Universal Ruler will ascend his white Throne, and with his deep ton'd trumpet, call his intelligences to the BAR: there in the face of worlds, he will forever fix the doom of angels and of men! The virtuous will be approbated and led in triumph, amidst surrounding millions in superb palaces of GOD. In those royal, effulgent and ineffable abodes, they will bask in the realms of transcendant glory, through the vast succession of eternal ages! While the wicked will be banished the presence of their Judge, consigned to racking pain, indescribable torture, where the bursting storms & furious thunders of an Almighty incensed GOD, shall perpetually beat them down towards the flaming centre of the burning ORB! My brethren, let us lay aside all prejudices, and come candidly to the foot of the bleeding cross of the Crucified; and devoutly pray him so to instruct us by his blessed Spirit, that we may receive the truth in all its various parts, and finally participate Eternal Salvation in the Kingdom of God."

At the late "Show and Fair," says the Madison county (N. Y.) Observer, Benjamin Bartlett produced "satisfactory proof," that he raised one hundred and seventy-four bushels of corn upon an acre of land, and also, that he raised three hundred & five and a half bushels of potatoes, upon one half acre of land for which he received the first premiums—

Died

In Philadelphia, on Wednesday last, *Mr. F. George Schaeffer*, late editor of the Federal Republican of Baltimore, in the 30th year of his age.

Baltimore Price Current.

Flour, superfine	brl.	6 00
——, fine	—	5 50
Wheat, new	bu.	1 12
Rye	—	40
Corn	—	37
Oats	—	25
Clover seed	—	5 00
Timothy do	—	4 40
Millet	—	1 50
Buckwheat	—	62
Flax seed	—	30
Whiskey	ga.	63
Apple brandy	—	50
Peach do	—	55
Salt, fine	bu.	55
——coarse	—	60

THE SALE

OF A LARGE AND MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTION OF

BOOKS,

Will take place on MONDAY EVENING NEXT (the 12th instant,) at the Court House, Elkton, at early candle light.

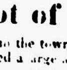
Nov. 8. 18—1t

Sheriff's Sale.

BY virtue of a writ of venditioni exponas, issued out of Cecil county Court, and to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on *Saturday the 29th day of November, instant*, at the court house, in Elkton, at 1 o'clock, P. M. all the right, title, interest and claim in and to one

Lot of Ground,

situate in the town of Elkton, on which is erected a large and commodious



Brick Store House,

now occupied by the Rev. Mr. [illegible]arpley.—Taken in execution as the property of James Partridge, and will be sold to satisfy a debt due John [illegible], by

FRANCIS GILLESPIE, *Sheriff*.

Nov. 7 18—ts.

Notice To Creditors.

THE subscriber, of Cecil county, hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of said county, Letters Testamentary on the personal estate of

Catharine Mackey

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 30th day of August next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased, are required to make payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 8th day of November, 1823.

ANNE MACKEY,
Ex'rx. of Catherine Mackey, dec'd.

THE subscriber, of Cecil county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, Letters of Administration on the personal estate of

Richard Hanna,

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 20th day of September next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased, are required to make payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 8th day of November, 1823.

JOSIAH WOODROW,
Adm'r. of Richard Hanna, dec'd.

THE subscriber of Cecil county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, Letters of Administration, with a copy of the will annexed, on the personal estate of

Joseph Foxlow,

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 27th day of September next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased, are required to make payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 9th day of November, 1823.

JOHN RAWLING,
Adm'r. C. T. A. of Joseph Foxlow, dec'd.

THE subscriber, of Cecil county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, Letters Testamentary on the personal estate of

Jesse Brown,

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 25th day of September next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased are required to make payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 8th day of November, 1823

WILLIAM KIRK,
Ex'r of Jesse Brown, dec'd.

THE subscriber, of Cecil county, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, Letters of Administration on the personal estate of

Elry Richardson.

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the 5th day of October next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased, are required to make payment to the subscriber.

Given under my hand this 8th day of November, 1823.

THOMAS REED,
Adm'r of Elry Richardson, dec'd.

THE subscribers, of Cecil county, have obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, Letters Testamentary on the personal estate of

James Springer,

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, on or before the 10th day of October next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased, are required to make payment to the subscribers.

Given under our hands this 8th day of November, 1823.

MARY SPRINGER,
JAMES SEWALL,
Ex'rs. of James Springer, dec'd.

THE subscribers, of Cecil county, have obtained from the Orphans' Court of said county, Letters of Administration, with a copy of the will annexed, on the personal estate of

Humphrey Pugh,

Late of Cecil county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, on or before the the 1st day of June next, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Persons indebted to said deceased, are required to make payment to the subscribers.

Given under our hands this 8th day of November, 1823.

ANN PUGH,
JOHN BRYAN,
Adm'rs C. T. A. of Humphrey Pugh, dec'd.

ENGLISH ALMANACS,

(AFTER THE GERMAN PLAN) FOR

1824,

Calculated for Maryland and Pennsylvania, but with a little variation may be used in the adjacent States,

For Sale at this Office, by the gross, dozen, or single.

CHEAP FALL GOODS.

THE subscriber has just received at his store, next door to the Court House a large assortment of GOODS, among which are

30 pieces Cloth,	Madrass Handkerchiefs,	Bed Ticking,
25 pieces Casimere,	Tapes,	Colored Muslin,
40 pieces Bombazette,	Nuns Thread,	Italian Crape,
100 pieces Domestic Muslin,	Cotton Balls,	Comfortables,
	Holt's Cotton,	Patent Thread,
200 pairs Stockings,	Gingham,	Flag Handkerchiefs,
60 pieces of Calico,	Velvet Cord,	Cotton Casimere,
30 pieces Domestic Plaid,	Bombazien,	Silk Gauze,
200 pairs Gloves,	Floss Cotton,	Patnet,
15 pieces Flannel,	Table Linen,	Yellow and blue Nankeen,
Circassion Plaid,	Damask Cotton,	Pins,
Tarton do.	Vest Patterns,	Black Silk Handkerchiefs,
Canton Crape,	Check,	Children's Socks,
Waterloo, Cotton & Silk Shawls,	Thread & Cotton Lace,	Carpeting,
Ribbon,	Book, Jackenet & Mull Muslin,	Silk Plush, &c. &c. &c.

MEDICINES,

Among which are the following—

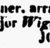
Selphate of Quinine,	Jalap,
Harlam Oil,	Calsined Magneza,
Stoughton's Bitters,	Caster Oil,
Bateman's Drops,	Cloves,
Wine Bitters,	Mace,
Opodeldoc,	Nutmegs,
Oil Wormseed,	Epsom Salts,
Worm Tea,	Sugar Lead,
Lee's Antibilious Pills,	Snake Root,
Anderson's or Scott's do.	Paregoric,
British Oil,	Gum Arabic,
Rhubarb,	Tartar Emetic,
Essence Bergamot,	Spirits Turpentine,
Fisher's Pills,	Oil Spike,
Court Plaister,	Varnish,
Opium,	Cinnamon,
Laudanum,	Salts,
Magnezia,	Salt Petre,
Bark,	Vials,
Camphor,	Senna Leaves,
Colombo Root,	Antimonial Wine,
Calomel,	Corn Plaster, &c. &c.

GROCERIES,

Hard, Hollow, Cedar, Earthen, Glass, Tin and Queens Ware, Hats, 2,000 pairs Shoes, Cut Nails, Playing Cards, Wool Cards, Paper, Salt, Axes, Blacking, &c. &c. &c. all of which he offers for sale VERY LOW for *Cash* or *Country Produce*.

LEVI H. EVANS.

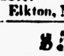
For Rent.



THE FERRY HOUSE,

At Chesapeake, opposite Havre-de-Grace on the Susquehanna, together with the right of a Team Boat. Possession to be given on the 25th of March next. Should possession be wanted sooner, arrangements may be made with Major *Wigton*, the tenant.

JOSHUA RICHARDSON.



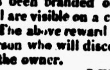
THE BRICK HOUSE

opposite to Mr. Peacock's (now occupied by Mr. Yates) is also for rent from the 25th March. Apply as above.

Elkton, Nov. 1 17—tf

$5 Reward.

STRAYED or stolen from the pasture of the subscriber, living in the village of Glasgow, New Castle county, Del. on Saturday the 25th ult. a



Black Mare,

about 15 hands high, a natural pacer, about 11 or 12 years old. The initials "L. B." has been branded on her left shoulder, and are visible on a close examination.

The above reward will be given to any person who will discover and return her to the owner.

LEVI BOULDEN.

Nov 1 17—tf

By Cecil County Court,

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1823.

Jane Kidd vs. Robert Love } BILL, DECREE, SALE, &c

ORDERED, by the Court, that the Auditor audit the claims of the creditors of Robert Love, and make return thereof to the next April term, and advertise the creditors to exhibit their claims to the Register before that term: And it is further ordered that the Trustee shall not pay over the money which remains in his hands after the satisfaction of the mortgage in the bill mentioned, until the claims of the creditors are audited.

RICH'D. T. EARLE.

Test.—JAMES SEWALL, *Clk.*

Nov. 1. 17—[illegible]

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Of every description neatly and expeditiously executed

AT THE ELKTON PRESS OFFICE.

The Parterre.

FOR THE PARTERRE.

TO COUSIN M—— B——.

[illegible] bliss still hovers o'er thee.
[illegible]
[illegible] pass before thee,
[illegible] grows:

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] have to share,
[illegible]
[illegible]
H[illegible] for my brow.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] and was guarded still.

[illegible] me.
[illegible]
[illegible]
And [illegible] tear.

From [illegible] may I claim
[illegible]
Th[illegible] name,
For [illegible] fate may know.

Yes, [illegible] may'st be
[illegible] lost:
W[illegible] M[illegible]
Thy [illegible] bleeding wounds to

But [illegible] I would not chide thee:
[illegible] I know:
S[illegible] bring [illegible] beside me,
W[illegible] tears would flow.

T[illegible] ever,
[illegible] hearts
[illegible] never
T[illegible] impart.

B[illegible] arrives,
[illegible]
[illegible]
A[illegible]

LUCINDA.

F[illegible]

PEGGY FAITH AND [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
The Provost was [illegible] at her cries.

Inqu[illegible] sought the [illegible]—
The [illegible] raised her feeble voice [illegible]
S[illegible]—"The gentlemen had agreed to [illegible]
[illegible] was the cry."

"Co[illegible] Faith gentlemen be so profane,"
The Provost said, and doubted much the story;
"L[illegible] Peg, "the boy's in [illegible]
Who spoke the [illegible] words I've laid before ye."

"Quick bring him here to answer for himself."
The Provost cried, "if 'tis as you have stated,
I'll punish so severe the little elf,
He might as well, almost, be immolated."

The culprit brought—the Provost sternly ask'd,
[illegible] dressed himself so reprobate:
"S[illegible]" said the boy, "I yesterday was task'd
To learn by heart the *Grecian* alphabet.

To day my letters as I cheer'ly sung—
Re[illegible]—*Alpha. Beta. Gamma. Delta.*
The [illegible] ignorant of the Grecian tongue,
Mist[illegible]—*Bet her, beat her, damn her, pelt her.*

Indeed, [illegible] what I said,
O[illegible] Peg Faith [illegible] could not dis[illegible]
[illegible] to prevent in future any dread,
[illegible] the *Greek*, and speak to her in English."

THE CASTLE OF ERASMUS,

OR BERTRAND AND ELIZA.

T[illegible] in the vallies, and the [illegible] were no longer responsive to the voc[illegible]. Three years had elapsed since the young and generous Bertrand was [illegible] by Caled, near the castle of Erasmus; [illegible] lance hung inverted on [illegible] tomb, and [illegible] were mingled [illegible] his fathers.

"[illegible] my sufferings have an e[illegible] grief-worn frame return to its [illegible] clay! Never shall thy lovely image be erased from my memory: thy virtues are engraven on my heart." It was the voice of the amiable Eliza, offering her evening orisons at the shrine of her beloved Bertrand.

Silence held her still domain throughout the fertile plains, save where the distant watch dog marked the rural hamlet. Cynthia had gained the summit of the azure throne, and smiled in lucid majesty over the blue expanse. All nature aided the solemnity. A row of aged oaks led to a cluster of spreading firs, which discovered a marble sepulchre adorned with military trophies. The beautiful Eliza, amiable in sorrows and patient in afflictions, graced the awful scene. She was kneeling in a posture of adoration and prayer, her sable garments hung loose in melancholy folds, and [illegible] with her auburn tresses; the [illegible] tear of affliction stood in her languid eye, and the cypress groves reiterated the sighs of a broken heart.

In the midst of her orisons, Clifford, by whose command the assassination of Bertrand was perpetrated, appeared before the sorrowful Eliza. Rage instantly kindled in her cheeks, and [illegible] burst from her lips—"Base [illegible], perfidious and profane, [illegible] hallowed place? Ye Gods, where are your avenging bolts? Why sleeps the thunder when this wretch draws near? Dost thou not fear the anger of Almighty power? Or is thy heart more hard than adamant, leagued with the demons of revenge to ward the stroke of justice?"

"Chide not, too lovely fair one," said the repentant Clifford; "it was love for thee that fired me to madness; I beheld a favored rival in the happy Bertrand—I considered life without thee as an ocean exposed to incessant tempests, but with thee, all that heaven could bestow or I could wish. I saw that one bar alone remained between me and my fancied joys—in a rash moment I employed the cursed Caled to execute the fell design; he received, took his reward and fled, since which time peace has been banished from the breast of Clifford, and soon must the command of death bring him to an expiation of his crimes."

"And dost thou talk of love, abhorred! assassin! thou who hast laid low the image of perfection—my Bertrand was the first and shall be the last my bleeding heart ever loved. Hear me, beloved shade, and witness for me as ye [illegible] watching round his tomb, never [illegible] taste of pleasure more till we [illegible] meet in the fields of joy, there [illegible] rays of endless peace and love [illegible] the earthly mists of pain [illegible]." Eliza again prostrated herself [illegible], and Clifford, dejected, [illegible] through the avenue to the castle.

A[illegible], surnamed the Good, who was [illegible] of the sorrows of Eliza, resolved to undertake the cause of injured innocence, by offering a considerable reward to the champion who would meet Clifford in single combat. The time of the approaching tournaments drew on apace, at length the day arrived, appointed for the cause of Eliza. The circus was crowded with spectators. The king was seated beneath a canopy adorned with the riches of the east, and the constant fair one sat at his right hand; every eye was centred on the object—the injured Eliza. Clifford appeared in the list, and the trumpets were thrice sounded, a stranger instantly accepted the challenge; his helmet of massy gold covered his face, it was studded with diamonds and the nodding plumes shook defiance to his foe; his armour of exquisite workmanship, darted a splendid radiance throughout the circus, and the blood red cross on his breast displayed a knight zealous in the christian cause; the dignity of his appearance, the symmetry of his shape, and the graceful manner with which he took up the glove charmed every beholder. Clifford all trembling approached, and thus addressed the multitude: "You see before you a wretch destined by the hand of fate, to meet eternal vengeance: fall I must; if not by the sword of my antagonist, the weight of my own sins must soon bring me with sorrow to the grave."

The martial trumpets were again flourished, and the champions engaged. For some time the victory was doubtful till at length the powerful arm of the stranger laid the lofty Clifford in the dust, and the circus re-echoed with repeated acclamations; his wound was mortal, and his friends gathered around him, even the injured Eliza, sympathised in the tears shed on the dying penitent. While the crowd was attentive to the departing Clifford a man muffled in a pilgrim's habit pressed forward, and throwing open his garment thus addressed the vanquished champion: "Thou man of sorrows, behold in this disguise the person of Caled, once thy vassal, at whose command I undertook the murder of the worthy Bertrand; if thou hast enough of life to hear the event, attend and learn." The eyes of Clifford were nearly set in night, but agitated by a thousand emotions, seemed to express a desire to hear the narrative of Caled who thus proceeded:—"Urged by your entreaties and the horrid purpose, I relented, and discovered my intent to the gallant youth, whom I pressed to depart. I have since heard he rendered himself famous on the plains of Palestine, by enlisting in the Holy war. You insisted on my privately burying the corpse in the grave leading to the castle of Erasmus; this I told you was performed, and the amiable Eliza caused a shrine to be erected to his memory. I received my reward and fled: disguised in a pilgrim's habit I followed Bertrand to Jerusalem; but my search was in vain; for soon I heard Bertrand was no more. [illegible] with success; he joined the crusses led by the gallant Richard, and met the shaft of death before the walls of Cyprus." Hope, horror, and despair alternately reigned in the bosom of Eliza during the narrative, at the conclusion of which she fell lifeless at the feet of the victor. The champion lifting up his helmet, caught her in his arms. "Behold (cried the stranger) one whose soul is linked to thine—revive thou paragon of excellency—'Tis Bertrand calls thee back to life and me!" At the well known name Eliza awakened from her trance, and after gazing some time with speechless admiration, at length articulated: "It is, it is my long lost Bertrand." Clifford lived but a few moments after the discovery—he received the pardon of the injured pair, and closed his eyes in peace. Bertrand turned to the astonished Caled, and embraced him as a friend, every eye sparkled with joy, and every heart participated in the happiness of Bertrand and Eliza.

It is recorded in the annals of the Castle, that virtue shall meet her reward, and vice be humbled at her feet.

THE DESERTERS.

There were in the regiment of ——, two young soldiers above the common level; both from the same place, a small town in Lancashire, and each [illegible] friends [illegible] other. They [illegible] together, [illegible] they marched together, and [illegible] the same [illegible] one [illegible] the lovers, [illegible] the name [illegible] was [illegible] the [illegible] a sweet [illegible] he was [illegible] the other [illegible] believing [illegible] the recruiting serjeant had described it, willing to see the world, accompany his friend, and serve his country, likewise accepted the king's picture, and called the Volunteer. He was the only son of his mother, and she a widow: she was much grieved at the step which he had taken without her consent; but being in an easy situation, and not wanting his assistance for her support, she lamented it only through her affection for him. The widow sent forth her son with tears and blessings; the [illegible] her lover from [illegible] window, a nearer approach not being permitted; beat time to his steps with her heart, till he was out of sight, then sent her whole soul after him in a deep fetched sigh.

They had not been long in camp before the Volunteer had woeful proof of the [illegible] difference between the idea [illegible] an soldier, [illegible] up in the imagination, and the miserable half-starved slave, the food for powder. As for the Lover, he was insensible to the hardships of the body—the agitations of his mind absorbed his whole attention: in vain had he endeavored to fly from the object of his love; he had brought away his person only, leaving all his thoughts and heart behind him, and was as absent from himself in the noise and bustle of the day as in the silent midnight watch, or when stretched upon his bed of straw. They communicated their sentiments to each other, and took the fatal resolution to desert. Thus winged by love, and urged by fear, the hills of Scotland flew from their heels, and they had arrived at a village within a mile of their own town, when they were overtaken by a horse pursuit, and reconducted to their camp. A court martial was held and they were condemned to die; but the general ordered, as is usual in such cases, that they should cast lots, and only one should suffer. The day following was to decide his fate. At the appointed time the ring was formed, the drum placed in the centre, with the box and dice upon its head, and the delinquents made to enter. The horrors which had sat brooding on their souls the preceding night, and were now overwhelming them at the awful crisis, were strongly painted on their wan and pallid countenances. Their friendship was real and sincere, but not of that fabulous and heroic kind as to wish to die for each other; each wished to live, and each was disquieted at the thought that his own safety must be built on the destruction of his friend. They alternately requested each other to begin. The Lover looked earnestly at the little instruments of life and death, took them in his trembling hand, and quickly laid them down. The officer was obliged to interpose, and commanded the Volunteer to throw. He lifted the box in the right hand, then shifted it into his left, then gave it to his right again, and, as if ashamed of weakness or superstition, cast his eyes upward for a moment, and was in the act to throw, when the shrieks of female sorrow struck his ear, and in burst, from opposite parts of the circle, the Widow and the Maid; their hair dishevelled, and their garments travel-soiled and torn. What a sight was that! The mother and the son on one side of the drum, and the maid and her lover on the other. The first transports of their frantic joy at finding them alive, were soon abated by their dreadful uncertainty of what must follow.—The officer was a man and did not hurry the Volunteer to throw. He put his hand to the box of his own accord. His mother fell prostrate on the earth, as did also the maid, and both with equal ecstasy and fervor, poured forth their different prayers:—he threw—Nine!—a gleam of imperfect joy lighted upon the widow's face; and looked, as if standing on the shore, she had seen her son shipwrecked, but buffetting the waves, when presently he gains a raft, and is paddling to shore, and already she thinks to feel his fond embrace, but still is anxious, lest even yet some envious billow should snatch him forever from her eyes.

Mean while the Lovers, giving all for lost, were locked in each others arms, and entreated to be killed thus together on the spot. She was held from him by force.—He advanced towards the drum with much the same air as he would have ascended the ladder for his execution. He threw—Ten!—the maid sprung from the ground as if she would have leaped to heaven; he caught her in his arms; they fainted on each other's neck and recovered only to faint again. The Volunteer was the least affected of the [illegible], and all his attention was employed about his mother, whose head was in his lap, but she was insensible to [illegible]. Soon after the women had [illegible] an officer had [illegible] the Duke's tent to inform him of the uncommon tenderness of the scene. He accompanied the officer to the spot and standing behind the first rank, had been an unobserved spectator of the whole transaction. He could hold no longer, [illegible] raised the Widow, and by echoing in her ear—"He is pardoned, he is pardoned," restored her to life and happiness [illegible] then turning to the lovers, he commanded them to go immediately to the altar [illegible] to be united by that tie which death [illegible] dissolve. He often declared [illegible] more pleasure from this [illegible] from the battle of C[illegible]. He shed tears; but they were not [illegible] Alexander when he wept for more worlds to conquer.

MUSICAL MISERIES.

Extract from a communication in the Orleans Gazette.

I must tell you how we got served the other Sunday. Our good minister chanced to read one of our favorite songs, beginning

*"With reverence let the saints appear,
"And bow before the Lord."*

when instead of singing the good old tune Meat, and giving it the true sonorous twang of New England, with which we used to sing, our young blades galloped off in a new city tune, flinging away in a most delectable quiver,

*"With reverence let the sa-ints appear,
"And bow-ow-ow-ow before the Lord."*

This was an unlucky slurring; for our minister's little whiffit pup, happening to catch the note, rung out his treble pipes, started the squire's old Towser's full bass, and in an instant the posse of dogs set up such a chorus that our meeting would have been deafened by the general yell, had not our worthy sexton, by his cane, changed their notes to another key, and sent them quavering out at the door. Deacon Goodspeed, who happened at that time to be comfortably dozing in his seat, rolled up his eyes, in a manner so ludicrous, that our good minister was obliged to hide his head and smother a smile.

Wonderful Miracle.—When Naples was once closely besieged, the Viceroy issued a severe order, that no man above or under such an age, should appear on the streets without a sword, on the pain of death. To enforce his order, he himself, attended by his officers, rode up and down the streets to see if none offended. In one of these progresses he perceived a gentleman without his sword and immediately ordered him to be hanged on the next sign post. The gentleman plead hard for his life, but to no purpose. He then entreated the Viceroy that he might not suffer so ignominious death, but die in a manner more consonant to his rank, and requested that the next person who came by with a sword, might run him through the body. This was granted, and presently passed one who had been in a gaming house, where having lost all, he had pledged the blade of his sword, and got a lath fitted to the hilt and scabbard.—On being stopped and being told the business he was appointed to execute, it confounded him. Conscious of the insufficiency of his wooden substitute, he exclaimed—"What! make a common executioner of me!" In these and such like exclamations, he was eloquent and vociferous; but finding all in vain, seriously prepared himself for the office; but kneeling down, earnestly prayed—"O God of mercy, if this man ought not to die, convert this my faithful sword into wood." Then to the astonishment of all present, drew and brandished his weapon. The condemned gentleman was ordered to be carried in solemn procession to the cathedral, where the sword was hung up as a trophy.

One of the public stages, in England, was stopped by a single highwayman, who being informed by the coachman there were no inside passengers, and only one in the basket, and he a sailor. The robber instantly began to exercise his functions upon the honest tar; when waking him out of his sleep, Jack demanded what he wanted? to which the son of plunder replied, "Your money." "You shan't have it," says Jack. "No," replied the robber, "then I'll blow your brains out." "B—st your eyes, blow away," says Jack, "I may as well be without brains as without money."

A loquacious blockhead, after ha[illegible] some time to Aristotle, observ[illegible] was intruding on his ear. "No[illegible]" replied Aristotle, "I have not bee[illegible]ing."

A young clergyman having [illegible] three wives, a lady asked [illegible] happened to be so lucky? "M[illegible]" replied he, "*I knew they would [illegible] without contradiction, so I let them [illegible] their own way.*"

Moral Chronic[le]

On Patience and Meek[ness].

A man of a hasty temper [illegible] justly compared, by S[illegible] a city without walls: for b[illegible] one and the other, being [illegible] unprovided for defence, [illegible] the mercy of every conte[illegible] invader. His peace is lia[ble to] be disturbed every mome[nt] [illegible] the most trifling accide[nt] [illegible] his own reputation, and the [hap]piness of himself and fam[ily] continually exposed to the [at]tacks of artifice and villai[ny] [illegible] short he is avoided even [by] friends, as a person to w[hom] they cannot give their comp[any] without exposing their qu[iet,] perhaps their safety, to perp[etu]al interruptions.

The vehemence of [illegible] which is impatient of co[illegible]tion, and apt to catch fire [at eve]ry trifling affront, and ve[illegible] at the most harmless an[d inof]fensive jest, arises from so[me] extravagant degree of p[ride and] self-flattery as makes a m[an im]agine that every person [in] company is obliged to th[ink and] say as he does. The first [step] therefore, towards acquir[ing a] mastery over our passio[ns,] particularly that of anger, [is to] cultivate an humble sense [of our] own frailties and imperfec[tions] and a sincere and hearty [bene]volence towards every pers[on we] converse with. It will, like[wise] be proper to keep a wa[tchful] guard over our temper, and a[void] such company and occasio[ns as] seldom fail to provoke a[nd irri]tate us: but if, after all our [care] we should find *our resentm[ent]* begin to rise, and ready to [burst] into a flame, we must endeav[our to] smother them, by directing [our] attention to some other obj[ect].

An Extract.—The most [illegible] sible motive to abate the pas[sions] is death. The tomb is the [illegible] course of morality: Study [avar]ice in the coffin of a miser [illegible] is the man who accum[ulated] heap upon heap, riches [upon] riches; see a few square [feet] of earth contain him! Study [am]bition in the grave of the [en]terprising man: see his noble [de]signs, his extensive projec[ts,] boundless expedients, are [illegible]ed and sunk in this fatal [illegible] human projects! Approa[ch the] tomb of the proud man, and [illegible] investigate pride; see the [illegible] that pronounced lofty [illegible]sions, condemned to eterna[l si]lence; the piercing eyes tha[t con]vulsed the world with fea[r, cov]ered with midnight gloom; [the] formidable arm that [illegible] the destinies of mankind, wi[thout] motion or life! Go, to the [tomb] of the nobleman, and there [stu]dy quality: behold his ma[gnifi]cent titles, his royal ance[stry,] his flattering inscriptions, [his] learned geneologies, are all g[one] or going to be lost with hi[m] in the same dust! Study v[olup]tuousness at the grave of the [ep]icure; his senses are dest[royed,] his organs broken to piece[s, his] bones scattered at the g[rave's] mouth, and the whole te[mple of] sensual pleasures subverted [from] its foundation!

The Bible.—There are [illegible] grand arguments for the t[ruth of] the bible: the 1st is the [illegible] it records—2d, the proph[ecies—] 3d, the goodness of the d[octrine] —4th, the moral characte[r of the] penman. The miracle[s proceed] from divine power; the [prophe]sies from divine underst[anding;] and the excellencies from [divine] goodness.