

POETS CORNER

FRAGMENT OF AN ODE TO THE MOON

Mild orb who floatest thro' the realm of night, A pathless wanderer o'er a lonely wild; Welcome to me thy soft and pensive light...

MISCELLANEOUS

From the Gleaner

The Cogitations of Uncle John. Passing along the west end of Thornville, one pleasant afternoon in April, Mrs. Caperton observed to me that it was a good while since we had drunk tea with Mr. Neville...

And I, "Sue rose, took her bonnet and shawl. 'I am sorry we have drove you away friends," said Mrs. Neville, mildly, "but Mr. Neville is an unkind, hot-temper'd fellow, and he will not hear the least with me," added she, casting a side look at him.

GOVERN YOUR PASSIONS.

From the Salem Register. AFRICA.

The great zeal to explore the yet unknown parts of Africa has been much applauded in Europe. If Count Valentia, and his Secretary, Mr. Salt, have not confirmed all the accounts from Mr. Bruce, they have done much to assist our knowledge of the real extent of our discovery in the eastern regions of this ancient continent.

in a state of nature. It had about one fifth of the population it could maintain, and the labour was not probably much beyond that part of what the inhabitants might employ. Sitting, smoking, and their devotion, employed the greater part of their lives.

Around the city are country seats belonging to the rich, in which the eastern luxury seems to be enjoyed. Every where are to be seen the ruins of ancient cities, which once adorned and blessed this country. Of their government, the character he gave is not essentially changed. The Dey has a council, to which he adds such persons as he pleases.

topians have a difference of character which has been noticed in our laws. The same under other names and habits is found to exist upon the African continent. As we recede from the power of the Dey, we find the wandering tribes, who excepting in a few cities, retained the primitive manners; and Dr. Shaw pronounces them to be the same people they were three thousand years ago.

City Tavern & Hotel.

The subscriber having taken that well known establishment in this city, lately occupied by Mr. Isaac Parker, and originally by Mr. George Mann, deceased, announces to the public, and more especially to those who may be disposed to patronize and encourage him, that it is his fixed determination to render it equal to any establishment in the state.

WILLIAM CATON Bar-Keeper & Cook. Are wanted immediately at the City Tavern. Annapolis March 23.

Public Sale. The subscriber will sell at public sale, on Wednesday the 3d day of May next, at Mr. Edelin's tavern, in the city of Annapolis, all the personal property of the late William Tock...

Partnership. WILL stand to cover Mary's this season, at Mrs. Mary Stockett's, at the low price of one dollar and twenty-five cents to the groom.

Blank Bonds, Declarations on Bond, Appeal Bonds, & Common Warrants, for sale at this Office.

The subscriber will sell at public sale, on the 10th day of April next, at the residence of the subscriber, in the city of Annapolis, all the personal property of the late William Tock...

60 Dollars Reward. Run away from the subscriber on the 2d of October, 1814, a negro named DICK; he is a short, yellow complexioned fellow, about 35 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, and polite when spoken to.

Benjamin Harwood, of A. A. County, South River Neck, near Annapolis. N. B. It is supposed the above man may have gone to Montgomery county, where his mother lives with Mrs. Murray, near Montgomery Court House, and may have a pair of B. H. December 1.

NOTICE. Mr. Isaac Parker having assigned the subscriber all the debts due him his books, which have accrued since his establishment in the Union Tavern, those indebted on said books, are notified to make payment to the subscriber only.

Six Cents Reward. Run away from the subscriber on the 1st of the spring of 1813, a negro named George Richards, about 16 years of age, stout built, hard featured, and a hair.

NOTICE. The subscriber having obtained the testamentary on the personal estate of Mrs. Mary Watson, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate, to produce them, and to be authenticated to the subscriber, who are indebted to make payment.

State of Maryland. Orphans Court. April 1st. On application by petition of the Norris, of the executor of the last will and testament of Mary Harwood, of Anne Arundel county, deceased, ordered that he give the notes authorized by law for creditors to exhibit claims against the said deceased, that the same be published each week for the space of six or seven weeks, in the Maryland Gazette and Political Intelligence.

This is to give notice. That the subscriber of Baltimore county, having obtained from the court of Anne Arundel county, Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of Mrs. Harwood, of Anne Arundel county, deceased, and all persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby notified to exhibit the same, with the vouchers of the subscriber, on or before the thirteenth day of June next, otherwise by law he will be excluded from the benefit of the said estate.

CAPTURE OF THE PRESIDENT.

of a letter from Com. Alexander Murray, President of the Court of Inquiry, lately held in New-York, to investigate the causes of the capture of the U. S. Frigate President, to the Secretary of the Navy, dated New-York, April 17, 1815.

I herewith transmit to you a copy of the court of inquiry, relating to the capture of the frigate President, with the opinion of the court.

We have been the more minutely investigated than might have been deemed necessary; but as there has been a variety of opinions prevailing among British commanders, concerning the capture, it was desirable to lay before the world the most correct manner, even if it should afford another proof of American heroism, and highly honourable to her commanding officers and crew, that every American citizen must feel a pride in knowing, that our flag hath been nobly defended.

The minutes of the court have been read and approved, the court cleared, and after due deliberation, resolved to express the sentiments and opinions of the members, on the matters submitted as follows:

In execution of the orders of the Secretary of the Navy, (with the exception of young midshipmen) every officer belonging to the frigate, within the reach of the contest between the frigate and a squadron of British vessels.

We are of opinion that the capture of the President, was her running on the rocks, and leaving this port, and the continuance of the vessel for an hour and a half or more, considering she was laden with stores and provisions for a very long cruise.

It must have impeded her progress, and twisted appearances she arrived at Bermuda, and been the effects of this accident. We are convinced that it was owing to this, that the enemy were able to overtake her.

The striking of the President's bar cannot be imputed to the fault of any officer who was on board; on the contrary, every possible precaution was used by her commanding officers, to insure her safe passage, and to relieve her when she had struck. The accident was occasioned by some mistake in the boats, which were used as beacons for the frigate, and a vessel of her draught, particularly so at such a time, was obliged to select for passage the land marks could not be distinguished.

From the time that the frigate was captured, and it became the duty of the President to evade the British, the most necessary measures were pursued, and every possible effort to escape was made, in our opinion, and it is to be attended with some loss, which were admitted. Any such different measures, were more proper, or more successful, the object of the expedition, without foundation, and the result of ignorance, and not of a culpable ambition.