

Poet's Corner.

SELECTED.

FROM THE RICHMOND ENQUIRER.

A letter from Hickory Cornhill, Esq; to his friend in the country:

SINCE you beg me to write how I pass off my time, I will try, my dear friend, to inform you in rhyme: And first, all the morning the debates I attend Of the folks who our laws come to make or to mend: Where sometimes I hear much fine declamation. 'Bout Judges and Bridges and Banks and the Nation. But last night my amusement was somewhat more new, Being asked to a party of Ladies at Loo. Oh! then, my dear friend; what splendour was seen, Each dame that was there was array'd like a queen! The camel, the ostrich; the tortoise, the bear, And the kid, might have found each his spoils on the fair, Tho' their dresses were made of the finest of stuff, It must be confess'd they were scanty enough; Yet nought that this saving should their husbands avail, What they take from the body they put in the tail. When they fit they so tighten their cloaths, that you can

See a lady has legs just the same as a man; Then stretch'd on the floor were their trails all so nice, They brought to my mind AEsop's council of mice. 'Ere tea was serv'd up, they were prim as you please, But when cards were produc'd all was freedom & ease. Mrs. Winloo, our hostess, each lady intreated, To set the example, "I pray ma'am be seated—" "After you Mrs. Clutch—Well, if you insist; "Tom Shuffle, sit down—you prefer loo to whist;" "I'm clear for the ladies—come, Jack, take a touch, "I'll stump Mrs. Craven, and you Mrs. Clutch." Around the green board they now eagerly fix, Two beaux and four ladies composing the six; When I could but admit that choice occupation, Which could both be play and conversation. "My dear Mrs. Clutch, we will leave it to you." "One and one, you know, Fribble, I think the best "game:" "I always knew, Madam, our tastes were the same." "Come shuffle, throw round, and let's see who's to deal, "I cannot tell why, but I already feel—" "Stay, there's a knave—" as if to-night I should win, "Well, Mr. Shuffle, you are dealer, begin." "Is that the trump card? Then I cannot stand." "And I must throw up—Let me look at your hand. "Come take a cross-hop—" "No—" "what do you say?" "I'll see you, Shuffle, if I have but a tray. "Play on, Mrs. Clutch, for I know 'twas a stump, "Ace of spades—" "I take it"—You're off with a "trump," "No indeed; but I've notic'd whenever you stood, "If I was before you, I always was loo'd." "And there's Mrs. Craven, she threw up the knave;" "I know I did, Ma'am, but I don't play to save—" "Come, ladies, put up, don't be bashful and shy." "I'm already up—" "So am I—" "So am I." "Say, Mrs. Inveigle—" "Oh! is it a spade?" "I stand—" "So do I—" "After two I'm afraid." "And I'll make a third—" "Well here's for the money, "Tho' I don't win the Pool, I'm sure of the poney;" "Here is another—" "Which of these must I play?" "Why, keep a good heart—" "Oh! you've thrown it "away."

And thus they go on, checking, stumping and fleeting, With much other jargon that's not worth repeating. Till at length it struck twelve, & the winners propose That the loo which was up the sitting should close. On a little more sport tho' the losers were bent, They could not withhold their reluctant assent. Mrs. Craven, who long since a word had not spoke, Who scarce gave a smile to the sly equivoque, But, like an old mouser, fat watching her prey, Now utter'd the ominous sound of "I play;" And swept the grand loo, thus proving the rule, That the still sow will ever draw most from the pool. Tho' much had been lost, yet now they had done, The devil of one would confess she had won; But soon I discover'd it plain could be seen, In each lady's face what her fortune had been. For they frown if they lose, and then if they win, The dear creatures betray it, as sure, by a grin. Mrs. Craven, whose temper seem'd none of the best, Quite sooth'd by her luck, thus the circle address: "Ladies and gentlemen, on Monday, with me, "You'll remember you all are engag'd to take tea; "But don't stay after six, for I horribly hate, "When I'm to play loo, to defer it so late. "I expect the Dasheagles, and meat to invite "The Squabs from the country with old Col. Kite. "And I think, Mr. Cornhill, 'tis high time that you, "Should, like the town beaux, join the ladies at loo." I thank'd her and told her that one day I might Deserve such an honour—then wished a good night, So I hied to the Eagle, resolving to send, A sketch of this night-scene to you, my dear friend.

Richmond, January 6, 1806.

H. C.

NOTICE.

WE do hereby forewarn all persons from dealing or bartering with our slaves, in any manner whatever, after the date hereof.

RD. & BTT. DARNALL. January 21, 1806.

By virtue of an order from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, the subscriber will EXPOSE to PUBLIC SALE, at the late dwelling of Mrs. ELEANOR HALL, in the city of Annapolis, on Friday the seventh day of March next, ALL the personal estate of the said ELEANOR HALL, consisting of a variety of household and kitchen furniture. The terms of sale will be ready cash. The sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

MARY WEEMS, Executrix. It is expected that all persons who have claims against the deceased will produce the same, legally authenticated, and those indebted to the estate to make payment, to

MARY WEEMS, Executrix. Thursday, February 20, 1806.

Pursuant to an order from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, on Saturday the 8th of March next, if fair, if not the first fair day thereafter, at the late dwelling of RICHARD BROWN, sen. deceased, near Pig Point,

PART of the personal estate of the said deceased, consisting of corn, tobacco, and fodder. The sale to commence at 12 o'clock. The above property will be sold on three months credit, on bond and security.

RICHARD BROWN, Executor. February 14, 1806.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber, of Anne-Arundel county, hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, in Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of ISAAC OWENS, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the eighth day of February next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand, this 14th day of February, 1806.

THOMAS OWENS, Executor. COMMITTED to my custody, on the 30th day of last January, as a runaway, a negro man who calls his name DAVY, and says that he is the property of WILLIAM COOK, of Charles county; Davy is a black fellow, five feet four or five inches high; his cloathing are, a white broad cloth coat, much worn, yarn trousers, old shirt, black hat, shoes and stockings. His master is requested to take him out of gaol, or he will be sold for his gaol fees, agreeably to law.

SUTTON I. WEEMS, Sheriff of Calvert county. February 4, 1806.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber, of Anne-Arundel county, hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of THOMAS DAVIDSON, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 7th day of August next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand, this 14th day of December, 1805.

WILLIAM JOHNSON, Administrator.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans court of Saint-Mary's county, letters testamentary on the estate of BETTY ANN EDEN, late of the aforesaid county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to William Muir, or the subscriber, at or before the 1st day of July next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand, this 1st day of January, 1806.

ELIZABETH JENIFER, Executrix.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, letters of administration on the personal estate of RICHARD MARRIOTT, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby requested to bring in the same, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, and all persons indebted to the said estate are requested to make payment, to

BASIL BROWN, Administrator. January 16, 1806.

NOTICE.

FOREWARN all persons from hunting with dog or gun on the farm I have leased from major Philip Hammond, near the city of Annapolis, on the south side of Severn river, as I am determined to prosecute, as the law directs, after this date.

Taken up as strays, two small red sow shoats, with a crop on their left ears. The owner is desired to come and prove property, pay charges, and take them away.

HENRY JOHNSON. January 11, 1806.

TO BE LET,

THE HOUSE now occupied by Mr. JAMES WEEMS, in Church-street, opposite the store of Ridgely, Weems, and Co. Possession may be had immediately after the 20th of March next. For terms apply to JOHN MUNROE. Annapolis, January 25, 1806.

I shall therefore, Sir, communicate your letter of yesterday to my government. I shall also inform it of my answer thereto, and whenever by the order of the king, my master, I am to return to Spain, I shall give the United States with sentiments of affection towards a virtuous people, in whose bosom I have lived ten years, with the intimate testimony of having never committed any grounded offence against their government, and above all, the consoling satisfaction of having employed all my zeal and feeble talents in defence of the rights and interest of the best of kings. I have the honour to be, Sir, &c.

(Signed) EL MARQUIS DE CASA YRUJO.

No. 3.

[TRANSLATION.]

Washington, Jan. 19th, 1806.

Sir,

Having gone through the personal explanations, which for just motives I was compelled to enter into, in my first answer to your letter of the 15th instant, I must now inform you, Sir, what otherwise would then have constituted my sole reply: namely, That the envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of his Catholic majesty, near the United States, receives no orders except from his sovereign. I must also declare to you, Sir, that I consider both the style and tenor of your letter as indecorous, and its object an infraction of the privileges attached to my public character. This violation of the diplomatic rights and privileges as inexplicable in itself as it is ill grounded, requires on my part the most solemn protest against your said letter, its style, and the intent with which it was addressed to me. I do therefore protest in the most solemn manner I possibly can, against this improper step of yours, Sir; a step which under the existing circumstances, is as contrary to the diplomatic laws and usages, as it is to the spirit of the constitution and government of this country; and in order that your conduct, Sir, in this case may not in any manner affect the privileges of the body to which I have the honour to belong, I shall immediately present to the other members thereof accredited near the United States, a copy of your said letter, of my first answer, and of this my protest, that on their part they may make the proper use thereof, and also that it may always appear that if there has existed, on the part of the administration, an arbitrary determination to violate the right of embassy, respected by every civilized nation, there did also exist in me the just resolution of repelling any similar attempt.

I have the honour to be, &c.

(Signed) EL MARQUIS DE CASA YRUJO.

Captain Telford, of the brig Thetis, from Teneriffe, informs, that he heard nothing of the capture of the Cork fleet by the Rochefort squadrons. On his outward passage, December 18, in lat. 21, 35, was boarded by a British frigate belonging to a fleet of 5 sail of the line and two frigates (then in sight) under the command of admiral Duckworth, in pursuit of the squadron from Rochefort, the captain of which informed him that admiral Stirling with 5 sail of the line and some frigates, was cruising off the western islands in quest of the same squadron.—[N. T. pap.]

Captain Arnold, of the brig Susanna, from Gottenburgh, informs us, that on the 10th of January, in lat. 39, 40, Longitude 29, 30, he spoke the ship Iris, then out 29 days from Salem for Massina, who had been boarded on his passage and detained for a short time by a French fleet, consisting of eleven sail of the line and seven frigates, out 21 days from Brest, steering in a southwesterly direction.—ibid.

Yesterday the United States brig Hornet, Isaac Chauncey, Esq; commander, arrived at this port in 7 days from Charleston, for orders. We have reason to believe that the Hornet will immediately sail from this port for England, with a minister extraordinary to the court of St. James. We do not believe, as stated in a letter from Washington, that Mr. Burr is the man for this important embassy, as we find in a Charleston paper of the 6th inst. this article—"Col. Aaron Burr, and col. Hawkins, arrived in Georgetown on Friday evening last."—Ibid.

The Knot.

Married, on Sunday evening last, by the reverend Mr. Higginbotham, Mr. James Holland to Miss Anne Sands, both of this city.

On Tuesday last, by the rev. Mr. Fleming, Mr. Robert Merriken to Miss Sarah Welsh, both of Severn.

ATTENTION!

THE members composing the VOLUNTEER COMPANY OF INFANTRY, are requested to attend a meeting of said company on SATURDAY next the 22d instant, at half past two o'clock, P. M. at the usual parade ground. Each member will take care to provide himself with a good flint.—It is hoped the members will be punctual in their attendance.

For Sale, on a long credit,

A VALUABLE country MILL, with about three hundred acres of land adjoining the mill, on the north side of Severn river, about two and an half miles from the ferry, has a constant supply of water, and as much work as it can do—it is one of the best as to water on that side of the river, and some good timber. For terms apply to NICHOLAS BRICE, in Baltimore, or the subscriber, in Annapolis. JOHN BRICE.