

Poet's Corner.

SELECTED.

MARIA,

OR, THE MOTHER'S DIRGE.—BY W. CAREY.

FROM bubbling streams, or springs that rise  
In mountain grot, or willow vale,  
Bring water, while I close these eyes,  
And kiss these lips so cold and pale.

From tufted grove and shadowy glen,  
Untrodden by the feet of men,  
From sedge banks and fragrant fields,  
Bring every flower that nature yields:  
And scatter every breathing sweet,  
On lov'd MARIA'S winding sheet.

Blest spirit, newly freed from pain,  
While o'er thy faded cheek I bend,  
Belov'd, and watch'd, and wept, in vain,  
A moment more thy flight suspend.

Behold, while hovering on thy wing,  
With water from the bubbling spring  
I wash thy limbs. I spread thy bier;  
And lay thee down with many a tear,  
Clad in thy shroud of spotless white,  
To slumber through thy weary night.

Thy tender smile, thy soothing voice,  
Thy playful innocence, no more  
Thy fond, fond Mother, shall rejoice—  
Thy little dreams of joy are o'er.

Of all the graces of thy mind,  
No token wilt thou leave behind;  
No trace of thee wilt soon remain,  
But, in this breast a Mother's pain,  
A mossy grave; and humble stone,  
To tell thy years and fame unknown.

The Monitor.

THOUGHTS ON DETRACTION.

THERE are many men possessed of a notion, false and absurd as it is, that the destruction of other people's reputation is the building of their own; that whatever good qualities they have, or would be tho't to have, will be rendered more conspicuous, by throwing a shade over those of others: but this is so far from answering the purpose aimed at, that it often gives to the hearer a suspicion, that the person who is so fond of expatiating on the faults and follies of his neighbour, does it only with a view of drawing off any attention to his own.

This mean and ungenerous spirit, these ill-natured humours, this more than fiend-like disposition, is so extremely base and absurd, that if strong instances were not seen daily through life, it would be most impossible for a man of sense to believe them. For my part I would not be thought outrageously virtuous: I have foibles, and many: but if I am totally free from any of the common weaknesses of mankind, I take it to be this—I trouble myself about no man's business that does not concern me: nor do I ever lessen the reputation of any person, without reason, and when I do, it is in the face of day, openly and without disguise: for I think no man or set of men ought to ascend the judgment seat of fame, or dare to use the whip of censure, without being armed with the social virtues, justice and humanity, which the generality of rigid censurers are destitute of. And were the parties defamed to reverse the mirror, the fons of calumny would be ashamed of their blackness, and shudder at their own deformity. Many learned and eminent authors have taught us, that the seat of that ever detestable vice, calumny, is solely lodged in the breasts of people of mean and servile dispositions: while, on the other hand, (justice and humanity,) so very necessary to render society perfect, are only found with generous and disinterested minds, the truth of which is very plainly evidenced in every action of human life.

Union Tavern, Annapolis.

CHARLES HENRY WILLIGMAN respectfully informs his friends, and the public in general, that he has taken that justly celebrated Inn in this city, called the Union Tavern, lately in the possession of Mr. Samuel J. Coolidge; he hopes, by his assiduity and attention, to give the greatest satisfaction to every person, as no exertion on his part shall be wanted to keep up the high character which this tavern has, as being one of the best in the union.

Charles H. Willigman likewise begs all persons not to deal with his servants, or to let them have any thing without a permission in writing from him, or he will be, very much against his inclination, compelled to take those steps which the law directs for preventing them, if they do not attend to this warning.

Annapolis, July 15, 1808.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT the subscriber intends to apply to the next county court of Anne-Arundel, or one of the judges thereof, for the benefit of the insolvent law.

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J. E. TILLY.

For Sale,

On a short credit,  
SEVEN or eight YOUNG NEGROES. In-  
quite of the Printers.

Maryland Gazette.

ANNAPOLIS, THURSDAY, September 8, 1808.

TO MAKE CIDER

Of early or late fruit, that will keep any length of time without the trouble of frequently drawing off.

TAKE the largest cask you have on your farm, from a barrel upwards; put a few sticks in the bottom in the manner that house-wives set a lye-cask, so as to raise a vacancy of two or three inches from the bottom of the cask; then lay over these sticks, either a clean old blanket, or, if that be not at hand, a quantity of the swinglings of flax; so as to make a coat of about a quarter of an inch thick when it is well pressed down; then put in so much clean washed sand, from a beach or road, as will cover about 6 or 8 inches in depth of your vessel; pass all your cider from the press through a table cloth suspended by the corners, which will take out the pumice; and pour the liquor gently upon the sand, through which it must be suffered to filter gradually; and as it runs off by a tap inserted in your vessel in the vacancy made by the sticks at the bottom, it will be found, by this easy method, as clear as cider can be expected; after the most laborious process of refining; and all the mucilaginous matter, which causes the fermentation and scouring of cider, will be so separated as to prevent that disagreeable consequence.

N. B. Other methods may easily be invented of passing the cider through the sand, which is the only essential part of the above process.

From a London paper of June 20.

SINGULAR CIRCUMSTANCE.

A CIRCUMSTANCE of a singular nature, and which if it were not vouched by the best authority would be liable to meet discredit, occurred during the action (in the night) between the Virginia and Guelderland. It was observed from the Dutch frigate that the Virginia was prepared to board her whenever an opportunity offered for that purpose, and a part of the crew were consequently ready to repel the attempt. The purser of the Dutchman, a brave fellow, stood on the gangway, sword in hand, animating the men to resistance, and with his arm raised, in expectation of the effort.—While in this attitude, a cannon ball from the Virginia took his arm off, within a few inches of the shoulder; the dismembered limb fell into the hold unheeded, and the poor fellow was put under the care of the surgeon. In two days afterwards, when the hold was examined and clearing out, the arm was found, with the sword so firmly grasped in the hand that no common force could disengage it; and it therefore became necessary to cut off the fingers to separate the sword and hand. It was, however, previously shewn to a number of persons, in order that so extraordinary a fact should be confirmed by strong and indisputable testimony.

From the American Daily Advertiser.

A RECEIPT

To restore motion to a contracted joint.

TAKE the yolks of eggs, from which the whole of the white has been carefully extracted, add one tea-spoonful of running water, to each yolk, well beat up; then make a decoction of three kinds of bitter herbs, well boiled, if the contraction be in an arm or leg, dip a piece of flannel in the decoction, and lay it on the part affected, and as soon as it cools have another piece ready to apply, repeating it four or five times successively, and as the pores are open apply the egg plentifully and then tie it up with a linen cloth. This process must be repeated two or three times a day, which will, with divine permission, perform a radical restoration of the joint; in some instances 6 weeks close application has proved effectual, and in others it has required 12.

The writer of the above, having met with a violent accident sometime since, of a compound fracture in his leg, which had nearly cost his life, by a mortification, he was compelled to lay ten weeks in one position with his leg, which had so drawn up his sinews under his knee, that the capula or knee pan, sunk downwards, and prevented his foot from touching the ground, by near a foot; the physicians could find no remedy, and he was given up as incurable.—He then tried many experiments, without effect, until by accident he found the part above mentioned concerning the egg, to which he added the fumigation, and in 6 weeks his leg was happily restored to perfect use. Since which four other persons, who had limbs in the same contracted state have followed his directions, and have had the use of their limbs perfectly restored: As he looks up with sincere gratitude, to a kind providence for so essential a favour, he thinks it a duty on him to make it known, for the benefit of mankind, and subscribes himself

PHILANTROPHUS.

Edward Calvert; Esq. is the Federal candidate for elector of President and Vice-President, for the district composed of Calvert, and parts of Prince-George's and Montgomery counties, in this state.

Mr. MONROE, the late minister at London, arrived at Frankfort, Kentucky, on the 2d ult.

The British parliament have voted \$6,000. to gen. Martin, for losses sustained by him in Virginia, as the representative of lord Fairfax.

NEWS-PAPERS.

There are at present printed in the U. States 300 news-papers; of which 24 are daily papers. Of those seven are Republican, twelve Federal and five neutral.

Of papers printed 3 times a week there are about 25. Twice a week, about 20.

The remainder about two hundred twenty-five are weekly papers.

Within the last month we have noticed the establishment of 8 new weekly papers, viz.

- Weekly Expositor—York, Penn.
- Statesman—Newburyport, Mas.
- Pilot—Cazenovi, N. Y.
- Vermont Courier—Rutland, Vt.
- Weekly Chronicle—Natchez, M. T.
- Herkimer Herald—Herk. N. Y.
- Missouri Gazette—St. Louis, Lou.
- The Dove—Wash. K.

It is believed that since the adjournment of congress at least 20 new papers have commenced; and proposals are in circulation for about twenty more.

[N. Int.]

A Methodist Camp Meeting commenced on Thursday last, near Leesburg, in Virginia, and ended on Tuesday morning, 23d inst. There was a great concourse of people attended during the time, and on Sunday, from the accurate calculation that a spectator could make, there were on the ground between 5 and 7000 souls. There were 275 tents and wagons, besides carts and other carriages for the conveyance of passengers. At the administration of the holy sacrament, 580 souls communed. This must be pleasing to all those who love our blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.—There were many new converts to the Christian faith—number not known.—The spark that *Nero* endeavoured to extinguish, is increasing to a mighty flame. Thirty preachers were present.

[Rep. Advocate.]

Horrid and unnatural Murder.

On Saturday the 23d ult. Mr. Elijah Fisher, of Cumberland county, was found dead within a few feet of his spring, where he had laid down under the shade of a tree to sleep. Upon examination it was discovered that he had received a large load of buck-shot in the side of his head, which mangled his skull in the most shocking manner. The murderer must have stood very near him when he fired, as his hair was singed by the powder, and the wadding was found on his head. The suspicions of the neighbourhood immediately fell upon his son, a boy of about 14 years of age, who had been heard to threaten that he would kill his father. He was apprehended on the same day and committed to gaol. There is very strong circumstantial evidence against him, and scarce any doubts are entertained of his guilt.

[Raleigh (N. C.) Reg.]

We are happy to find that Mr. William Flower, of Philadelphia, has succeeded in bringing to perfection the manufacture of the *Life Buoy*. The utility of this machine must be obvious to every person. There generally exists a certain prejudice against new inventions, but, in this case, as it may be the means of preserving many useful lives, particularly among seamen, every contracted sentiment should be laid aside. It is in reality, as he appropriately terms it, the "Seaman's Friend," and every person who is engaged in navigation should be supplied with one. The expense is small and the advantages are incalculably great.

[N. Y. Oracle.]

From a Liverpool paper of July 6.

A few days since, an elegant *Silver Cup*, value 60 Guineas, was presented to capt. William Rogers of his majesty's packet Windsor Castle, with the following inscription engraven thereon:—

"Presented by the underwriters of Liverpool, to Mr. WILLIAM ROGERS, acting captain of his majesty's packet Windsor Castle, as a testimony of their high sense of his distinguished gallantry, in defending that vessel, with a force of 28 men and boys, against the French privateer Le Jeune Richard, with a crew of 92 men, which he bravely boarded at the head of five followers, and captured on the 1st October, 1807, after an action of 4 hours, and in which he had 10 men killed and wounded; the enemy 54 killed and wounded. This, in the hour of battle, displaying to his countrymen an example inspired by the soul of the IMMORTAL NELSON, That England expects every man will do his duty."

In addition to the above was added 120l. from the merchants and underwriters of Liverpool, to be distributed amongst the officers and crew of the Windsor Castle, as a testimony of their high approbation of the great bravery exhibited by them on the above mentioned occasion.

In 1804, there were exported from the Spanish American port of Vera Cruz alone, goods and specie to the amount of twenty-one millions and a half Dollars, including 17 millions in specie, and equal to twelve thousand barrels. The imports of goods, &c. amounted to sixteen millions and a half.

The council of state of N. Carolina has again rejected the proposition of the governor to convene the legislature.

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