

With this he began to...
 Sintram, "blundering, flew back...
 "Desist," said our hero; "I abhor...
 "My name," replied the little...
 "is of no importance. Suffice...
 it for you to know, that I am a...
 learned master of the occult scie...
 ces, and deeply read in the oldest...
 most wonderful histories. Ah, you...
 young Sir! how it would amuse to...
 hear them told! But you are afraid...
 of me!"
 "Afraid of thee!" replied Sintram...
 with a sneer.
 "That has often happened even...
 to better men than thou art," ob...
 served the dwarfish being; "but the...
 also disliked to hear it remarked to...
 their faces."
 "To prove the contrary," said...
 Sintram, "I will remain with thee...
 till the moon stands high on the hea...
 vens—But thou must relate thy...
 history."
 The little man nodded his assent...
 and whilst they were walking to...
 and fro in the dark arcade, he com...
 menced the following narration:
 "Many hundred years ago, there...
 lived a beautiful young knight...
 whom they called Paris of Troy...
 and he dwelt in the hot country of...
 the South, the home of the sweet...
 est songs, the most aromatick flow...
 ers, and the most charming women...
 You know a song about that, young...
 knight, "The land of blooming flow...
 ers." Is it not so?"
 Sintram inclined his head in af...
 firmation, and an ardent sigh con...
 vulsed his breast.
 "This knight whom they called...
 Paris," continued the knowing mas...
 ter, "lived (as many do in those regi...
 ons, and has been sung in the most...
 precious rhymes,) sometimes for...
 months together, in shepherd's ap...
 parel, and traversed the woods and...
 fields playing on the flute and co...
 ducting flocks. It happened one day...
 that three women appeared before...
 him. They were contending for a...
 golden apple, & wished him to decide...
 which of them was the most beau...
 tiful, for she was to keep the gold...
 den fruit. These women were en...
 chantresses, and the one of them...
 knew how to procure for her fa...
 vourites high thrones and sceptres;
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 ounce charms; so that the most...
 beautiful women beheld her favour...
 ites with love. Each of them of...
 fered to the shepherd knight her...
 best gifts, that he might give judg...
 ment in her favour. But he was...
 pleas'd, above all other things, with...
 beautiful women, and therefore he...
 said, that the third was the most...
 beautiful, and her they called Ven...
 us. The two others greatly vexed...
 departed—but the one called Venus...
 ordered him to take up again his...
 knightly armour, to cover his head...
 with the plumed bonnet, and then...
 conducted him to a mighty castle...
 the name of which was Sparta, where...
 reigned the rich Duke Menelaus and...
 his young Duchess Helena. Helena...
 was the most beautiful woman upon...
 earth, and the enchantress intended...
 to give her to Paris as a reward for...
 the golden apple. Paris was highly...
 pleased with this, nor wished for...
 better; but knew not how to go about...
 obtaining the fair.
 "Paris must have been a fine...
 knight," interrupted Sintram.—
 "The like is easily done. Challenge...
 the Duke, and he that conquers...
 keeps the Duchess."
 "But the Duke of Sparta had be...
 stowed his hospitality upon Paris,"...
 said the narrator.
 "Then" minikin master, cried...
 "Sintram, "he ought to have begged...
 the enchantress for some other lady...
 and jumped upon his horse, or hove...
 his anchor and hurried away."
 "That's easily said," replied the...
 old man; "but had you only seen...
 how charming was that Lady He...
 lena. He that saw her never tho't...
 of another." And with glowing co...
 lours he depicted the wonderful...
 beauty of that woman; but every...
 trait of the picture resembled Ga...
 briela. Sintram deeply affected and...
 unable to support himself leaned...
 against a tree.
 The little being advanced nearer...
 to him, and asked laughingly "How...
 now—would you still advise poor...
 Paris to flee from Sparta?"
 "Relate, relate quickly how it...
 terminated!" cried Sintram.
 "The enchantress acted honestly...
 towards the knight. She told him...
 before hand, that if he carried off...
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25. An act authorising the sale...
 within this state, of a limited num...
 ber of Tickets in the Lottery autho...
 rised by an act of the Legislature of...
 the state of Pennsylvania, entitled...
 "An act to enable George Murray...
 Gideon Fairman, John Draper, Ro...
 bert Ball and Thomas Underwood...
 Co partners in the firm of Murray...
 Fairman, & Co. engravers of the...
 city of Philadelphia, to dispose of...
 certain books, maps, plates & prints...
 by way of Lottery."
26. An act to alter the name of...
 Thomas Bond, of the city of Balti...
 more.
27. A supplement to an act, pass...
 ed at December Session, 1819, re...
 lating to the school fund in the se...
 veral counties herein mentioned.
28. An act to alter and change...
 the time of holding the Levy Court...
 in Dorchester county.
29. An act for the relief of Alex...
 ander Prentice of the city of Balti...
 more.
30. An act to repeal the act entit...
 led, "An act to alter the time of...
 holding the County Court in Charle...
 county," passed at December sessi...
 on, 1819.
31. An act to authorise and emp...
 power the Levy Court of Anne-A...
 Arundel county, to erect and levy

Tuesday, Feb. 13.
 Mr. T. Kennedy reports unfav...
 ourably on the petition of James...
 Jarney and Christopher Griffith...
 and on the memorial of the trustees...
 of the Boonsborough free school.
 The bill for the more effectual a...
 bandment of legal proceedings was...
 rejected and returned to the senate.
 The report and resolution rela...
 tive to appropriation of public land...
 for the purpose of education, and...
 the bill in favour of Hezekiah Niles...
 were severally passed and returned...
 to the senate.
 The bill to withdraw one fourth...
 of the donation from Charlotte Hall...
 school was rejected.
 Mr. R. Moffett reports a bill for...
 alleviating the embarrassments of...
 the people, and to provide for the...
 debtors and creditors of this state.
 Adjourned.

Wednesday, Feb. 14.
PETITION
 From Richard K. Watts jr. to be...
 authorised to introduce certain...
 bills into this state.
 Mr. Millard reports a bill to pro...
 mote the happiness of the people...
 and to increase the power & streng...
 th of the state. [To tax Bachelors.]