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MISCELLANEOUS

THE VIOLET.

Among all the sweet blooming flowers of the spring, That deck every meadow, and scent every vale, There is none to my heart such a transport can bring...

NOTICE.

The trustees of the poor of Anne Arundel county, wish to purchase a small parcel of land not exceeding two acres, within eight miles of the city of Annapolis...

State of Maryland, sc.

On application of Thomas Reynolds, executor of John R. Sewell, late of Calvert county, deceased, it is ordered that he give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims...

This is to give notice,

That the subscriber of Calvert county, hath obtained from the Orphans Court of Calvert County, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of John R. Sewell, late of Calvert county, deceased...

Notice is hereby given,

That the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans Court of Anne Arundel county, short letters testamentary on the personal estate of Elizabeth Battee, late of said county, deceased...

Public Sale.

By virtue of an order from the Orphans Court of Anne Arundel county, will be exposed to sale on Thursday the 30th May instant, at the late residence of Samuel R. Lushy, in South River Neck...

The Personal Estate

Of said Lushy, consisting of several young Negroes, Horses, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, Plantation Utensils, Household and Kitchen Furniture, &c. Terms of sale—for all sums above twenty dollars, six months credit, bond and security, with interest from the day of sale, being given; all sums under twenty dollars, the cash to be paid...

An Overseer Wanted

A single man, industrious, honest, and acquainted with the management of a farm, who can come well recommended for sobriety, will be considered for the situation by applying to...

EXTRACT.

Gloomy indeed would be the situation of man, if this contracted sphere were the boundary of his anticipations; if the pleasures, the vanities—for all is vanity—of this world, were his only hope. But there is an hope which points to an eternity hereafter...

RETIREMENT.

Is the best state for the mind of man, solitude almost the worst. In complete solitude the eye wants objects, the heart wants attachments, the understanding wants recreation...

TITLE TATTLE.

The Yellow Fever which raged with its utmost violence in Philadelphia, was considered an evil of no ordinary magnitude, but we have a plague in this neighbourhood, which though not equally fatal, produces in its train a union of consequences little less to be dreaded...

WOMAN.

Ye are stars of the night, ye are gems of the morn, Ye are dew drops whose lustre illumines the thorn, And rayless that night is, that morning un-

THE HUMBLE PREACHER THE MOST USEFUL.

A very pious man being ordained minister of the Gospel, some of his people left hearing him, and went to other churches, in the neighbourhood. His one day meeting some of them, asked them whether they were going...

MEN.

Spand large sums in procuring the best devised furniture, the most perfect mechanism of wood, brass, and iron; great pains and expense are bestowed in keeping them from going to decay. Years are spent in the study of the various parts of mechanism, and the most minute calculations are made...

MOUNT VESUVIUS.

The account which has been published of a late eruption of this mountain, has induced a classical friend of ours, to translate from the Latin, the following description of an eruption of the same mountain, which took place in the 79th year of the Christian era, in the reign of the Roman Emperor Titus...

LETTER 1.

Your request that I should write something relative to the death of my uncle, merits my acknowledgments. His death will indeed, be rendered illustrious, if celebrated by you. Although the misfortune which occasioned his death, was the cause of destruction to a beautiful country, also to many towns, and although his works will be handed down to posterity, yet the immortality of your writings will add to the perpetuity of his name...

LETTER 2.

You observe that the letter which I wrote you, in which I related the particulars of my uncle's death, has raised your curiosity to know the dangers which befel us at Misenum. After the departure of my uncle, I continued my studies. Soon after I made use of the bath, took supper, and fell into an unquiet sleep...

NOBLE EXAMPLE OF DISINTERESTEDNESS.

From Wilk's History of the Persecution of the Protestants in the South of France, recently published in London. To such an infamous perfidiousness was the system of perjury and subornation carried, that 26 witnesses were found to sign and swear that on the 3d of April, 1815, General Gilly, with his own hands and before their eyes, took down the white flag at Nismes; though it was demonstrated that at the time the tri-coloured flag was raised, he was 15 leagues from Nismes, and that he did not arrive there till three days after the event...

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time of terror, danger is every where; it was suspected that Perrier had some long concealed; nightly visits were more frequent. In this state of agony, he sometimes complained of the hardness of his lot. Perrier one day returned from market in a meditative mood, and, after some inquiries from his anxious guest, he replied: "Why do you complain; you are fortunate, compared with the poor wretches whose heads were cried in the market; Bruguiere, the pastor, at 2400; Bresse, the mayor, at 2400 francs, and General Gilly, at 10,000. Is it possible?" "Aye it is certain." Gilly concealed his emotion; a momentary suspicion passed his mind; he appeared to reflect. "Perrier," said he, "I am weary of life; you are poor and want money. I know Gilly, and the place of his concealment; let me demand him; I shall not doubt obtain my liberty, & you shall have the 10,000 francs." The old man stood speechless, as if petrified. His son, a gigantic peasant, 27 years of age, who had served in the army, rose from his chair, in which he had listened to the conversation, and in a tone not to be described, said, "Sir, hitherto we thought you unfortunate, but honest; we have respected your sorrow, and kept your secret; but since you are one of those wretched beings who would inform of a fellow creature, and insure his death to save yourself, I will throw you out of the window." Gilly hesitated; the peasant insisted; the General wished to explain; but he was seized by the collar—"Suppose I should be General Gilly?" said the fugitive; the soldier passed. "And it is even so," he continued, "denounce me, & the 10,000 francs are yours." The soldier threw himself on his neck; the family were dissolved in tears; they kissed his hands, his clothes; protested that they would never let him leave them, and that they would rather die than that he should be arrested. In their kindness he was more secure than ever; but the cottage was more suspected, and he was at length obliged to seek another asylum. The family refused any indemnity for the expense he had occasioned them; and it was not till long after, that he persuaded them to accept an acknowledgment of the hospitality he had experienced. When the course of justice was more free in 1820, General Gilly demanded to be tried, but there was nothing against him, and the Duke d'Angouleme conveyed to Madam Gilly, the permission of the King for the return of her husband to the bosom of his country.

VELOCITY OF LIGHT.

It has been demonstrated that light takes about eight minutes in moving across one half of the earth's orbit; consequently it moves at the astonishing rate of 200,000 miles in a second; therefore if each of its particles weighed the thousandth part of a grain, its force would be greater than that of a bullet discharged from a musket. Were it even the millionth part of a grain in weight, it would destroy every thing against which it struck. If it even weighed the millionth part of that, it would still have very sensible force. But how much less must be the particle of light, which makes change, being covered with white ashes, and refreshing ourselves, we passed a night between hope and fear, although the latter predominated, for the earth was still tremulous. But my mother and myself, although we had experienced such dangers and were still threatened, determined not to leave Misenum until a messenger should come from my uncle.

REMARKABLE WORDS.

There is a word in the English language, to which if you add a syllable it will make it shorter. SHORT is the word required, to which if you add an it will then be SHORTER. This is a paradox; for the word being actually made longer, becomes really shorter.

CONUNDRUMS.

- Q. Why is a Clergyman's horse like the King? A. Because he is guided by a Minister. Q. What is that which makes every body sick but those who swallow it? A. Flattery. Q. Why are there three objections to taking a glass of brandy and water? A. Because there are THREE SCARLES TO A DRACHM. Q. What is that which you may safely touch, innocently play with, and put it into your bosom, but to clip it is certain death? A. Guilt. Q. Why are the writings of the SECRETARY, like Rodgers's Pen-wives? A. Because they are finely tempered with STEEL. (Sir Richard S.) Q. Pray tell me ladies, if you can, Who is that highly favoured man, Who, tho' he's married many a wife May still live single all his life? A. A Clergyman.

ANECDOTE.

A well known simpleton, who had for many years been employed in carrying corn to mill for a poor-fellow in the town where he lived, was one day accepted by the miller in the following manner: "John, they say that you are a fool—that you don't know anything." "Ha, ha, said John, that can't be true, for I do know some things, though I may not know other things. But I can tell you what I do know and what I don't know." "I am glad of it," replied the miller, "now let us hear John, what you do know." "I know," answered John, "that the miller's hogs grow fat." "Very well, that's true, John; now please to inform me what you don't know." "I don't know," said John, scratching his head, "what's your name?"