Apollo's Fount.

PARODY.

By a News Printer.

To dun—or not to dun? that is the question:
Whether 'tis better that the purse should suffer,
(For lack of cash) by baneful emptiness:
Or by a gentle dun to fill it up;
To dun! to get the money—and be enabled
To live and pay our debts—'tis a consummation
Devotely to be wished. To dun—to be dunned—
Denied with 'call again,' aye there's the rub:
For in that 'call again' what evils come,
What disappointment sore—chagrin and woe—
What time is wasted—and what shoes are worn
In consequence—most give me pain.
—It is this
That makes so many debts not worth collecting,
'Tis this which sickens business to despair,
And keeps from honest labor its reward.
We don't forget our many, many friends;
To them a debt of gratitude we owe;
To them our gratitude we freely pay.
Buoy'd by their kindness, still our bark shall sail,
Enjoy the pleasing calm, nor dread the boist'rous gale.

LOVE—*AN EXTRACT.*

From Dr. Langhorn's Address to a Lady.

Love, like the flower that courts the sun's kind ray,
Will flourish only in the smiles of day!
Distrust's cold air the generous plant annoys,
And one chill blast of dire contempt destroys.
O shun, my friend, avoid that dangerous coast,
Where peace expires, and fair affection's lost;
By wit, by grief, by anger urg'd forbear
The speech contemptuous and the scornful air.
When love's warm breast from rapture's trembling height,
Falls to the temperate measures of delight;
When calm delight to easy friendship turns,
Grieve not that Hymen's torch more gently burns.
Unerring nature, in each purpose kind,
Forbids long transports to usurp the mind;
For, oft dissolv'd in joy's oppressive ray,
Soon would the finer faculties decay.
True tender love one even tenor keeps;
'Tis reason's flame, and burns when passion sleeps;
The charm connubial, like a stream that glides
Through life's fair vale, with no unequal tides,
With many a plant along its genial side,
With many a flower, that blows its beauteous pride,
With many a shade, where peace in rapturous rest,
Hold sweet assistance to her fearless breast,
Pure in its source, and temperate in its way,
Still flows the same, nor finds it urn decay.

IMPROMPTU.

Though beauty may charm, and though youth may invite,
'Tis *affection*, alone, can the senses delight;
For the cheek, like a rose, may its blushes display,
And the young dance on flow'rets to drive care away;
But if youth has no *feeling* our hearts to beguile,
And beauty's soft cheek be not drest with a *smile*,
'Tis a *picture*, whose colors may pleasure impart,
But whose touch not enamors, nor fixes the *heart*.

IMPROMPTU ON LAWYERS.

Have you not seen a cat for an honr without fail,
Run round her and round her in quest of her tail;
Till at last with a long and disconsalate face,
She leaves of her friskings, and gives up the chase?
Thus fares it with lawyers when pleading in court;
To every bystander they make the same sport;
When perplex'd, in the circle of logic they run,
And leave it more doubtful than when they begun.

LINES.

On a young lady's wishing to assend in an air balloon.

Forbear, sweet girl, your scheme forego,
And thus our troubles end;
That you will *mount* full well we know,
But greatly fear, you'll ne'er *descend!*
When angels see a mortal rise,
So beautiful, divine, and fair,
They'll not release you from the skies,
But keep their *sister angle* there.

Entertainment.

When Garrick first came on the stage, and one very sultry evening, in the month of May, performed the character of *Lear*, he in the first four acts received the customary tribute of applause. At the conclusion of the fifth, when he wept over the body of Cordelia, every eye caught the soft infection, the big tear ran from every cheek. At this interesting moment, to the astonishment of all present, his face assumed a new character by a new passion;—it was not tragic, for it was evidently intended to suppress a laugh. In a few seconds the attendant nobles appeared to be affected in the same manner; and the beauteous Cordelia, who was reclined upon a crimson couch, opened her eyes to see what occasioned the interruption, leaped from her sopha, and, with the *majesty of England, the gallant Albany, and tough old Kent*, ran laughing off the stage.

The audience could not account for this strange termination of a *tragedy*, in any other way than by supposing the *dramatis personæ* were seized with a sudden frenzy; but their resibility had a different source. A fat Whitechapel butcher, seated in the centre bench of the pit, was accompanied by his mastiff, who, being accustomed to sit on the same seat with his master at home, naturally thought he might enjoy the like privileges here.—The butcher sat back, and the quadruped finding a fair opening, got upon the bench, and finding his forepaw on the rail of the orchestra, stared at the performers with as upright a head and as grave an air, as the most sagacious critic of his day. Our corpulent slaughter man was made of melting stuff, and not being accustomed to a play-house had found himself much oppressed by the weight of a large and well powdered sunday peruke, which for the gratification of cooling and wiping his head, he pulled off, and placed on the head of his mastiff.—The dog being in so conspicuous, so obtrusive a situation, caught the eye of Mr. Garrick and the other performers. A mastiff in a church warden's wig (for the butcher was a parish officer) was too much, it would have provoked laughter in Lear himself, at the moment he was most distrest,—no wonder then it had such an effect on the representative.

Curious Calculation.

A farmer near Stamford, (England,) having lately purchased a hay stack, containing six tons, at the rate of one barley corn for the first hundred weight, two for the second, four for the third, eight for the fourth, and thus doubling the quantity of corn for every hundred of hay; an ingenious schoolmaster at Duddington has calculated that the hay would take "fifty-two times the solid contents of the globe of our earth in gold to pay for it, admitting five hundred and forty four thousand eight hundred grains of barley to make a bushel, at two pounds per quarter, and a guinea to weigh five grains nine pennyweights, and be valued at one pound ten shillings each; also every degree of the meredian circle to be eighty English miles."

A few days ago, a seamen lately discharged from the navy, with plenty of rino in pouch, ordered a post chaise at an inn in New Castle. A chaise and pair were brought to him; but Jack would have nothing less than four horses to the carriage, which was complied with; but on opening the chaise door; he started back, declaring that while he was able to keep the deck, he would never skulk below; he then mounted the roof, and the chaise, with its four horses, its two postillions, and Jack, set off in full speed, to the great amusement of the spectators. —— *London paper.*

A farmer of the department of Morbinan, in France, died a few days ago, at the very advanced age of 94. He boasted, some days before his death, of having, in the course of his life, drank 1300 barrels of cyder, 260 hogsheads of wine, and 60 pipes of brandy, real Nantz. He was married three times, had several children by each of his wives; and the day previous to his death, he was at the wedding of the grand-daughter of one of the girls he had by his first wife.

Whilst the American army was encamped on the Hudson, a private soldier one day, when off duty, amused himself with climing one of those high mountains. When he had reached the pinnacle, his mind was so expanded with the amazing height he found himself from the surface of the water, and the vast extent his eye reached, that he stretched out his right hand and gave the following word of command: *Attention to the universe—by kingdoms, to the right wheel—march.*

Mr. Hare, formerly envoy to Poland, had a constant apartment in the house of Mr. Fox. He like his friend Charles, had frequently dealings with the monied Israelites. One morning looking out of his window, he observed several of the tribe assembled at the door for admittance: Pray gentlemen, said he, are you *Fox*-hunting or *Hare*-hunting this morning.

EXTRACT

From Rev. Dr. LATHROP's ESSAYS.

"Most of the evils, which are matters of complaint at the present day, are such as are in our own power to remedy. If we would be as virtuous as a people may be, we should be as happy as a people need be. Virtue would remove many of our grievances, and enable us to bear the rest. It will be replied, "Virtue generally prevailing, might do great things; but this is not to be expected." Will you then look for happiness in some other way? You cannot succeed, unless the course of nature and the plan of the supreme government should be reversed. "But will it avail for me singly to be virtuous, when I cannot expect the generality will be so?" Make the experiment; perhaps others will be as wise as you; your example may possibly have some influence; at least you may relieve your own mind, and lighten your own burdens. If general virtue help society, private virtue will help the individual; and is there not another world where your virtue will turn to your account, though it should do but little good here."

The following it is said to be a fact. At the great dinner lately given at the mansion-house, the lord mayor, in compliment to Mr. Otto, who was present, gave as a toast, "*the three consuls;*" but the crier, in repeating the toast to the company, threw the whole room into convulsions of laughter; for he bawled out, "gentlemen—*the three per cent. consols,*"

A man, a few days ago, had a finger amputated by a wheel at a factory in Manchester; the poor fellow immediately went home with the mutilated limb. A few hours after, the master of the factory happened to meet a son of the man's and, accosted him with a tone of sympathy, said, "I am very sorry thy father has lost his finger."—"Lost it! (exclaimed the lad, very simply)—he has not lost it—*he has it in his pocket.*"

A fellow who was travelling in the new settlements of the western country, in the state of New York, was overtaken by a Methodist preacher. This Mr. Longface attempted to exhort our plebian, and began by asking him 'What state his soul was in?' 'In the state of New York d—n you,' retorts he. 'Lost! lost! thou art wholly lost!' groaned the preacher. 'Lost!' exclaimed the traveller, with some indignation, 'why d—n you, I knew this country before there was a road in it.'

In the course of a trial in the king's bench, (England) Mr. Garrow, in examining a corpulent witness, observed, "you gentlemen *millers*, seem to thrive better than we do at the bar." "Yes (replied the witness) because we *sleep better!*" "Why so?" continued Mr. G. "Because (said the miller) we have *clearer consciences, I take it.*"—Many people doubt this.

A pragmatical young fellow, sitting at a table, opposite the learned John Scot, asked him what difference there was between *Scot* and *Sot?* Just the *breadth of the table*, answered the other.

A southern geographical punster insists that the present form of *pantaloons* originated in France, from the circumstance of their being *Toulon* (too-long) and *Toulouse* (too-loose.)

WILL be sold at public vendue, the 27th instant, at the late dwelling of *William Hutchings*, deceased, in Kings Creek hundred, on a credit of six months; all his personal estate, consisting of horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, and farming utensils, household and kitchen furniture, with a large quantity of good corn blades, clover hay, and a variety of other kinds of provender, and the crop of corn—The subscriber also request those that have claims against the estate, will bring them in; and those that are indebted to the said estate, are requested to settle them immediately. Creditors may purchase property at the vendue, to discharge their claims.

JAMES NABB, Exo'r.

October 12, 1802. 3

Easton Races.

ON Wednesday the 3d of November next, will be run for over a handsome course, near this place, the Eastern Shore of Maryland Jockey Club Purse of *two hundred and fifty dollars;* the second day a Colts Purse of *one hundred and fifty dollars;* the third day a Town Purse the sum not yet ascertained, free for any horse, mare or gelding carrying weight and subject to the direction of the Club.

Per order of the President,

EDWARD N. HAMBLETON, Sec'ry

September 28, 1802. tf

Wanted to Purchase,

AN honest sober Cook Wench with or without a family, for which a liberal price will be given. Apply to

SAMUEL NICOLS.

Easton, June 15, 1802. 3tf

Wanted Immediately,

At the STAR-OFFCE an APPRENTICE, *To the Printing Business.*

Valuable Lands for Sale.

THE subscriber offers for sale the following very valuable lands, on which a liberal credit and an indisputable title will be given, viz.

Part of a tract of land called *Hawkins Pharsalia*, containing 600 acres more or less, lying in Tully's Neck, (Queen Anns' county) about ten miles from Centreville, on the main road leading from Choptank Bridge, three miles from Ruthsborough and two from the Nine Bridges.—This land is well adapted to the growth of wheat, Indian corn, &c. is divided into three fields of about 120 acres each, on which are a good dwelling house, two barns, and other convenient buildings. The wood land is excellent, abounding in oak and hickory. The tenant, Mr Isaac Baggs, will shew the farm to any person desirous of viewing it.

ALSO,

Part of a tract of land, called *Dawson's Neck*, containing about 142 acres, lying in Queen Anns' county, within three and an half miles of Tuckahoe Bridge, on the main road leading to the Nine Bridges, and seven miles of Centreville. The soil is well adapted to the growth of wheat, corn, &c. The tenant, Mr. Philip Porter, will shew the farm to any person who may wish to view it.

ALSO,

Part of a tract of land, called *Heworth*, containing about 200 acres, lying within little more than one mile of Easton. This farm has a fine rich bottom, twelve or fifteen acres of which might at very little expense, be converted into a most excellent meadow; and from its vicinity to Easton would be very valuable. The tenant, Mr. John Arandale, or the subscriber, will shew this farm to any person desirous of viewing it.

If the above lands are not disposed of before, at private sale, the two farms lying in Queen Anns' county, will be offered at public sale at Mr. Wooter's tavern, (Ruthsborough) on Thursday the 9th December next; and the farm near Easton, at Mr. Prince's tavern, (Easton) on Tuesday following the 14th December; the terms of sale will be one-fourth cash, and the remaining three-fourths in three equal annual instalments, with interest from the day of sale; in the mean time, the subscriber will treat with any person desirous of purchasing the above lands at private sale.

JOSEPH HASKINS,

Attorney in fact for the trustees of the late Charles Crookshanks.

Easton, October 5, 1802. ts

For Sale.

THE subscriber offers for sale, on liberal and advantageous terms, his FARM (near Easton) now in the occupation of Mr. John Clayland. From the healthy, and good situation, and numerous advantages attending this farm, it is worthy the notice of the industrious farmer. The land will be laid down and a plot ready in a short time, for the inspection of those who wish to purchase.

The *Lot of Ground*, purchased of John Edmondson, Esq. containing five and an half acres, in the vicinity of this town, is likewise offered for sale.

The *Store* and *Counting-room* at present occupied by the subscriber, is offered for rent, commencing 1st January, 1803.

All those indebted to the subscriber, are most earnestly solicited to close their accounts as speedy as possible.

S. NICOLS.

Easton, October 5, 1802. tf

To be Rented,

FOR THE ENSUING YEAR,

A PLANTATION about three quarters of a mile from Easton, where *Timothy L. Price* now lives, there is about one hundred and forty thousand corn hills prepared for seed wheat, and may be seeded down immediately; one half of the wheat to be seeded, the subscriber proposes to feed himself, as an accommodation to a tenant. It is proposed to let with the said farm, stock of every description, farming utensils, two laboring hands, and poultry. The said farm may be rented with or without the abovementioned articles, as may be most convenient to a tenant. There is bearing fruit trees of every kind, such as is common to this country; and a great deal of productive meadow ground on the said farm. PETER DENNY.

October 5, 1802. 3q

Ditching & Banking.

THE subscriber takes the liberty of informing the citizens of Talbot, that he is now ready to transact any orders in the above line, on the shortest notice, and in the best manner. Having been employed for the last two years in this county, he can procure sufficient recommendation for his industry and dispatch. Application made at the Star Office will be immediately attended to by the public's obedient servant,

THOMAS PENDIGRAST.

Easton, October 5, 1802. 3

N. B. A number of hands will be kept in readiness, in order to expedite such orders as he may be favored with. T. P.

For Sale, for a term of Years,

A NEGRO MAN about twenty-three years of age, who has been accustomed to plantation business. For terms apply at the Star-Office.

October 5, 1802. 3

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Thomas L. [illegible] Grace [illegible] Burrt.

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D. James Dudley, B[illegible] min Dashiel, Thomas C. Dawson, Philemon Downs, Henry Downs.

E. James Earl, (2) Rev. Jos. Everitt, John Edmondson.

F. Robert Francis, Thos. Flint, Jos. Finou, Thomas Foulke, Wm. Flint.

G. William Gibson, (2) Thomas M. Goldsborough, John Goldsborough, (3) Thomas Goldsborough, Oxford Neck; Charles Gully, Mary Ann Goldsborough.

H. Samuel Harrison, (2) Joseph Haskins, John Harrison, John Hawley, Maria Hemsley, Benjamin Hopwell, Capt. William Haddaway, Thomas Hutchins, Isaac Holt.

J. Capt. Josiah Johnson, John Jump, William Jordan, Rev. Joseph Jackson.

L. John Lucas.

M. E. Mott, Dorcas Martin, Nathan M'Donald.

N. James Nabb.

P. Isabella Parrott, Jas. Parks, Thos. Prince, James Price, Thomas Polenson, Henry Parker, George De Passon.

R. Zacharias Roberts, Michael Ryan.

S. Robert Stevens, H. M. Francis, Sally Smith, Joseph Steingesser, John Swan, John Simmonds, Algernon Stanford, Samuel Stevens, jun.

T. Dr. Saml. Thompson, Lloyd Tilghman, Maria Thomas.

W. John Wallis.

V. James Vincent.

For Sale,

AT PUBLIC VENDUE,

On Wednesday the 27th day of October next, at ten o'clock, at the Farm commonly called Thomas'.

A NUMBER of horses, among which is a valuable stud, two mules, cattle, sheep, and hogs; also, farming utensils, and some household furniture; all of which were the property of the late Mrs. *Rebecca Goldsborough*, deceased. Cash will be required for all sums under five pounds, and for all sums exceeding five pounds a credit of nine months will be given upon the purchaser giving bond, with security to be approved of by the subscriber. CHARLES GOLDSBOROUGH,

Executor of R. Goldsborough.

Pleasant Valley, September 28, 1802 } 5

To be Sold or Rented,

Either together or separately,

THREE Houses and Lots, at St. Michael's. For terms apply to

IMPEY DAWSON.

October 5, 1802. 3q

To be Let

FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

THE *House* and *Lot* at present occupied by Edward Markland, the house consists of two rooms and a passage below, one of which occupied and ready furnished as a school room; and three rooms and an entry upstairs—the whole will be put in good tenantable repair. For terms apply to

JAMES NEALL, or
ROBERT MOORE.

Easton, Sept. 21, 1802. tf

Notice.

THE subscriber having experienced considerable loss, by persons drawing through his Farm, and leaving the gates unshut—this is therefore to forewarn all persons from carting or drawing wood or timber across his plantation, as the public road is convenient; whereby individuals will not be injured.

JOSEPH BARTLETT.

Talbot county, Oct. 5, 1802 3q

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber of Dorchester county, has obtained from the orphan's court of the said county, in Maryland, letters of administration de bonis non with a copy of the will annexed, on the personal estate of John Manning, late of the said 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 first day of December next—they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 10th day of May, 1802. 6m

THOMAS MANNING.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber on Friday the 8th instant, a negro man named JACK, commonly called *Morling's Jack*, about 5 feet 10 inches high, he is remarkably black, and when spoken to has a down look; he had on when he went off a country made twilled shirt, and trousers of Russia-duck canvass. Whoever takes up the abovementioned negro, and lodges him in jail so that the subscriber get[illegible] m again, shall receive the above rew[illegible] and if brought home all reasonable [illegible] paid by the subscriber, near E[illegible] county.

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