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### For the Farmer's Repository.

Mr. WILLIAMS,

By inserting the following lines in your paper, you will oblige one of your readers. They were written by Mr. Williams a young man in the public employ at Harpers Ferry.

TUNE—GILBERT.

Farewell dear maid whom I adore,  
With thee I had vowed to part.  
And I beheld those eyes no more,  
Which oft had pierc'd my heart.

Your angel face no more I'll view,  
Nor press thy lily hand;  
Maria! I must say adieu—  
We part—thy bid command.

May that bless'd youth on whom you smile,  
Be worthy of thy care,  
From baseness free and treach'ry vile,  
With these life's blessings share.

### From the Eastern Repository.

WOMEN

Ye are stars of the night, ye are gems of the hour,  
Ye are dew drops whose lustre illumines  
The darkness of day.

And ray'd that night is, that morning only,  
Where no beam in your eye lights up peace  
In the breast;

And the sharp thorn of sorrow sinks deep in  
The heart,  
'Till the lips of the woman assure the  
smat:

'Tis her's o'er the couch of misfortune to  
lead,  
In fondness a lover, in firmness a friend;  
And prosperity's hour, be it ever so brief,  
From woman receives both refinement and  
zeal.

And adorn'd by the bays, or emwreath'd  
with the willow,  
Her smile's our need, and her bosom our  
pillow.

### FROM THE CONNECTICUT COURANT.

THE BRIEF REMARKER.

MARRIAGE, which is the first and most important of social institutions, is, in civilized societies, generally regulated by law, but giving in marriage is a matter of custom. And, upon this last point, so far forth as the scandal of my own information extends, custom is very diverse in different parts of the world.

In the simple patriarchal ages, a father was as it were a sovereign and independent ruler over his own household. His daughters especially were quite at his disposal. Yet, in giving a daughter in marriage, it was the custom to consult her own inclination, as appears in the 24th chapter of the book of Genesis, in the case of Rebekah. In process of time, however, it seems to have become customary in Asia for fathers to betroth their daughters with little or no apparent regard for their preferences or wishes. In that enslaved country, where women are held in a condition of extreme debasement, a girl is compelled to accept the husband assigned her by family authority how much soever she may detest and loathe him in her heart.

Not that it is quite so all over the vast continent of Asia. For there are in it some nations simple in their manners, that still retain the custom of allowing their females the privilege of a negative upon such of their suitors as are not fortunate enough to find favor with them.

In Dr. Clark's description of the manners of the Calmuck Tartars, resident in Asiatic Russia, is an instance in point respecting their conjugal rites. "Calmuck women," says he, ride better than the men. A male Calmuck on horseback looks as if he were intoxicated, and likely to fall off every instant, though he never loses his seat; but the women sit with more ease and ride with more extraordinary skill. The ceremony of marriage is performed on horseback. A girl is first mounted, who rides off in full speed. Her lover pursues, and if he overtakes her she becomes his wife, and the marriage is consummated on the spot; after which she returns with him to his tent. But it sometimes happens that the woman does not wish to marry the person by whom she is pursued, in which case she will not suffer him to overtake her, and we are assured that no instance occurs of a Calmuck girl being thus caught unless she had a particular propensity for the pursuer."

Somewhat akin to this account of the Calmucks is the following fabulous story of ancient date: "Atalanta had many admirers, but the only condition of obtaining her hand was to beat her running race. At last Hippodamus ran with her, and dropping some golden apples, which she stopped to pick up, he won the race and married her." How much or how little this old fable, of obvious meaning, is illustrative of the female heart in the present age, is a delicate question that I shall not take upon myself to decide on.

Western Europe, from which ourselves have borrowed the most of our customs, allows women a rank unknown and unprecedented in the eastern world. This is owing greatly to the superior civilization, but primarily and chiefly to the influence of Christianity, to which also indeed, in no inconsi-

derable degree, its superior civilization is to be attributed. But even in western Europe the females of the highest rank are disposable property, so respects giving in marriage. In a matter so deeply interesting to their comfort and happiness, there is denied them all liberty of choice. A royal maid is disposed in a marriage, and she must accept the husband that is selected for her, or else draw down upon herself an intolerable weight of scorn and indignation. Moreover, among the several ranks of nobility, marriage is conducted on a principle of calculation, rather than of attachment. So that, in this interesting particular, the liberty of European females is an inverse ratio to the ranks of their families. The deplorable consequences are those that might be reasonably expected—such as coldness, alienation, domestic feuds, and conjugal infidelity, so common and notorious among these high-born ladies that had been given in marriage contrary to their own wishes.

Nor does it by any means follow, on the other hand, that paternal authority has no concern in this matter. It has, indeed, a deep concern, but it is rather negative than injunctive. A father has an undoubted right, may he is in duty bound to refuse consent to an alliance which he thinks would be deeply prejudicial to the interests of his child, and to use all proper means in his power to prevent it. So far is this from being a mark of affection and an act of kindness, but if he overleaps this boundary; if he assumes the right of selection; if he attempts to give his daughter in marriage against her own inclination; if he would sacrifice her peace to the Mammon of avarice or to the Moloch of ambition—it is then that he acts, the part of a tyrant, and is deserving of the severest of censures.

Such instances, however, do seldom happen in common life, in which there is a manifold greater number of children who rush into the state of marriage with a cynical disregard to parental authority in the manner above mentioned.

### From the Same.

Short Chapter of Hints and Advise-ments on the subject of Hard Times.

HERE AND THERE FOLKS.

As they servant was busy here and there, he was gone.

I Kings xx. 40.

It is an abundance of such here and there business, that occasions a considerable portion of the pinching wants of the present day.

A small farm, cultivated with the utmost diligence and care, will furnish a prudent family with a moderate subsistence. Again, "if that has a trade has an estate." Even though he own neither house nor land. But if the farmer and the trader, instead of attending closely to the proper callings, are busy here and there, they will assuredly "come out at the little end of the horn."—Moreover though they both buckle down, the one to his farm, and the other to his trade; yet if their wives and their daughters, instead of practicing the like industry and the like good management within doors, are busy here and there, "what is brought in at the door, goes out at the window"—all is gone.

See you that farm overgrown with thorns and thistles and briars, and its fences broken down. How comes it about? Is the owner one of Solomon's sleepers? No; he is busy here and there, but seldom in the proper place. Perhaps he is doing head work abroad, is chaffering in horses, or cattle, or sheep, or is peddling over the country, or is pursuing, in a small way, some other scheme of speculation, or he is meddling in the street, or in the commission that occupies his attention, or seeking after one—in which case, the "hand writing on the wall" clearly shows what he is coming to.

Lo, an auction! What's for sale? The goods of a grocer, and the tools of a mechanic. Are they profligate? No. Are they industrious? Far otherwise. What then? They are lovers of chat, of company, of fun, and so, instead of attending diligently to their callings, they were busy here and there.

Mark the interior of that house—no useful industry going on—no order—nothing in its right place—more wasted than is eaten. Is the house wife a dolt? So far otherwise, she is one of the most sprightly and ladylike women in the place; but she has no time to bestow upon the affairs of her household—she is busy here and there.

Look upon that comely young man in the hands of a bailiff. Has he committed a crime? Not so; his reputation is fair. How comes it then? He is in debt? Is he wanting in faculties? He possesses faculties of body and mind. Is he indolent? No, he is in quick motion all the day long. How happens it then that he, a single man, who is never met with any heavy misfortune, is unable to pay his debts?—He has been busy here and there.

"Not ready," says the sly lawyer, when the case is called up, and when the witnesses have been waiting at court day after day. And why not ready? Being busy here and there, something has been forgotten or neglected by him. Here the circumstances are, however, materially altered. If the not-ready lawyer obtains a continuance, he increases thereby his own enlightenment. Partly by this craft he has his wealth;—it is the pigeons only that are plucked.

### VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE.

I will sell on accommodating terms, the two following tracts of land, viz.  
**1360 ACRES,**  
On the fork of Buffalo Creek, Monongalia county, Virginia, about 10 miles above the junction of the creek with the Monongahela river; four hundred acres of which is the first rate bottom, with two improvements, the balance upland of superior quality. The creek (which in wet seasons is navigable) of low inducements for water works. The whole tract (cleared land excepted) abounds with the finest timber.

**6437 2/3 ACRES**  
Lying on each side of Big Rock Castle River, Gay county, Kentucky; this tract has eight tenements (at yearly rents) with a good portion of cleared land to each, a very bottom. The road from Lexington leading through Richmond, up Rock Castle to the Goose Creek Salt Works, (which latter place is about ten miles distant) affords a ready cash market at the door for all kinds of produce. Both of these tracts are situated in fine grazing countries, & well adapted to raising stock. Any further information which may be wanted relative to these lands, can be obtained by applying to me, at the Post office, Shepherd's Tavern, Virginia.

**JAMES BROWN,**

July 30.  
D. S. If the first mentioned tract be sold in the course of the summer, leases will be granted for a term of years, to two or three industrious men.

### NOTICE.

THE subscriber having in his possession, all the bonds, notes, and book accounts, belonging to the late firm of Wm. M. Sherry & J. Clark, requests all those who are indebted to the said firm, to come forward without delay, and make payment, to enable him to meet his arrangements, and to have it in his power to keep a constant supply of leather, for the old customers, and those who may give him a call.  
"The highest price will be given for Bark, Hides and Skins."  
**D. L. M. SHERRY,**  
Smithfield, July 9.

### WHEAT FANS.

The subscriber informs the public that he has removed to the farm formerly owned by Mr. John Bryan, about two miles from Charlestown, on the road leading from said place to Harpers Ferry, where he continues to make wheat fans in the best manner, on the most reasonable terms, and shortest notice. Persons at a distance, by forwarding their orders for fans, to the Post Office, in Charlestown, will be informed when the fans will be ready for delivery. He has several fans on hand for sale.  
**BENJAMIN HELLER,**  
August 6.

### Five Dollars Reward.

**STRAYED** from the farm of Mr. John Griggs, near Charlestown, on the 24th inst. a bay horse, about 15 hands high, five years old last spring; shod before, and by the above reward will be paid for taking up said horse and giving such information to the Editor of the Farmer's Repository, or to Mr. Jonathan Wickesham; as will enable me to get him again, and all reasonable expenses if brought to my residence near Bucklestown.  
**WALTER EVANS,**  
August 27.

### NOTICE.

THE subscriber informs his employers that he has commenced his singing School in the stone church in Charlestown, agreeably to notice given by the Rev. Mr. Allen. Therefore all who gave express verbal orders, to have their names attached to the subscription, as well as those who subscribed themselves, are desired to send their children every Wednesday afternoon.  
**A. TOLLAND,**  
Aug. 27.

### Regimental Orders.

The first Battalion, commanded by Major Davenport, will parade in Shepherdstown, on Saturday the 25th of October next, at 11 o'clock.  
The second Battalion commanded by Major Hite, will parade in Charlestown, on Saturday the 18th of October next, at eleven o'clock.

### FOR SALE,

**AT R. WORTHINGTON'S STORE,**  
OF THE LIFE OF  
**DR. H. T.**  
BY THE REVEREND J. R. W.  
August 13.

### WANTED TO PURCHASE,

An easy going saddle horse, of good qualities, and capable of performing a journey.  
Enquire of the Printer  
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### Wheat, Rye, Oats & Corn,

WILL BE TAKEN AT A FAIR MARKET PRICE FOR  
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Superfine and other cloths,  
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**Dry Goods, Hardware, &c. &c.**  
Cognac Brandy, Spirits and Wine of the best quality.—All of which will be sold on the cheapest terms for cash, or country produce.  
**JOHN CARLILE,**  
Charlestown, Aug. 20.

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JUST received, and for sale by the subscriber, at his Apothecary's Shop, in Charlestown, the celebrated Doctor Robertson's Family Medicines, among which are the following:  
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Montgomery in company with a sergeant of Lieut. Turner's, he got possession of the sergeant's horse, saddle, bridle and pistols, and making off to Sumpter District, S. C. sold the horse, &c. to one Charles Richardson, for 70 dollars—on the Four Holes, he stole a mare from an unknown person, which he exchanged in Barnwell District; and stole a horse at the 15 Miles House, on the road leading from Charleston to Columbia, which a few days afterwards, near Givham's Ferry, he exchanged with a wagoner for another horse—that near Hudson's Ferry, on the Savannah, he engaged on a raft of his employer, he left the raft at Ebenezer, returned, and stole his employer's horse, came to S. Carolina, was apprehended and committed to jail at Coosworth chie, from whence he was discharged in consequence of the prosecutor not appearing. He then stole a stock of cattle in Colleton District, which he sold at Slatts's Bridge, and for which he was committed to jail in Jacksonboro'. While there, hearing that he was to be released, he broke jail, and fled to Riceborough, where he sold the horse, which he sold in Jacksonboro', Georgia—he then came to Carolina, and on the night of the 4th of August, 1816, in the company of a friend (whom he declined naming) approached the village of Barnwell; he remained in sight of the village, holding the horse on which they rode, while his friend stole the horse for which he was about to die. He was informed that the mare which Mallard charged him with stealing, was one which he had exchanged with a Mr. Loper. If so, he observed, that he did not steal her; but received her in exchange for a horse; with a knowledge, however, that she had been stolen—that he had many secret friends dispersed through the country, between Sumpter District and the St. Mary's; that they had never before forsaken him in adversity; but that since his last confinement, he had not heard from any of them and did not believe that they had made any attempt to assist him; that those he called his friends had imposed on him; keeping him between them and the halter, they privately contumacious and encouraged him, and profited by his villainy, while he was miserably destitute of food and clothing; that he had been four times married, and had two wives then living, one in Sumpter District, the other in Bullock county, Geo. To bad company and his own ignorance, he ascribed the depravity of his mind. He had often experienced compunctions of conscience, but believing his situation desperate, both in this world and the next, these sensations served only to impel him with greater rapidity in his vicious career. He was much agitated while making the above statement; but on concluding, grew more calm. A minute or two afterwards, however, his discomposure of mind returned with greater violence. His whole frame became suddenly convulsed, his countenance evincing the greatest mental agony. Becoming a little more composed, he observed, that he had omitted the most atrocious act of his life, not intentionally, for his wish was to disclose every thing he could recollect. He then made several attempts to proceed, but was unable—the power of utterance had entirely forsaken him. His agitation measurably subsiding, he desired that he might be attended on the next morning, when he would conclude his confession. In the morning, his appearance was much more composed. He observed that during the night he had conversed with the other prisoners on the subject that laid so heavy on his mind the preceding evening, which had given him great relief. He then said, that after deserting from the cutter Boxer, as stated above, one of the sailors who deserted at the same time, (whose name was Hurrell) and himself came to Charleston, where they remained about two weeks—while there, Hurrell observed that he knew a man by the name of Blake, a slippercutter by trade, who had money, of which he proposed to rob him. After some enquiry, they discovered where Blake lodged, entered his bed chamber at a late hour of the night, found him alone, with a candle burning; seized him by the throat, by choking prevented him from crying out, and demanded his money, he pointed to a small trunk, which (together with the unfortunate owner) they carried into the street, where they choked the man to death, and after taking a gold watch from his pocket, they tied a grate and deposited the body in one of the drains of the town. In the trunk they found two hundred and forty dollars in money. Francis then made off for Island Creek, as related above. Murrell's spouse of Blake as a person with whom he was acquainted, and Francis believed them both to be from the Northward. He was attended by a clergyman at the gallows, and prayed with much earnestness. As the sheriff struck the board from under his feet, he exclaimed sufficiently loud to be heard by several of the bystanders, though apparently addressing himself—W\*\*\*\*\* W\*\*\*\*\* is the man who stole the horse! W\*\*\*\*\* W\*\*\*\*\* of Beaufort District, is

the man who brought me into all my troubles! The Lord have mercy on us! The Lord have mercy on us!"

FROM THE NORFOLK HERALD.

OF THE SERPENT.

Much curiosity having been excited by the appearance of the great Sea Serpent at Cape Ann Harbour, perhaps some of our readers might not take it amiss to be presented with a history of that class of reptiles, which growing to the prodigious length of 120 feet, combine strength with subtlety, and are at once the most horrible enemy to man and to beast.

There seems to be much probability in the accounts of the ancient writers of the ravages and consternation which a single serpent has been said to commit. Mankind being in a savage state, not united by the arts of government, nor rendered formidable by the power of arms and combined strength, could oppose but feeble barriers, to the undisturbed enjoyment of dominion in their gloomy retreats, had grown to such a size as to make them an overmatch for the lion or elephant. Hercules by dispatching one of these monsters, obtained an imperial crown of glory, and as civilization and the arts have flourished, several soldiers, and the mere physical powers of man, he has become an overmatch for these creatures and nearly exterminated them from the earth: though the boundless and unfathomable recesses of the ocean have secured the existence of one of the species, as remarkable for its novelty as for its unparalleled magnitude. But those that dwell upon land were represented as corresponding in bulk to such as inhabit now the deep itself. Pliny's famous serpent, that stole the army of Regulus on the banks of the river Bagrada, in Africa, was 120 feet long, deformed several soldiers, and could be destroyed only by means of the most powerful military engines. Its spoils were carried to Rome, and its skin was deposited in the capitol, where it was seen by Pliny, whose account, from the ovation decreed to Regulus by the Senate, and other collateral testimony, is as well substantiated as any fact on record. These serpents bore only the same relation to their own tribe that the Mammoth did to the tribe of Mammalia, for at the present day there are serpents in South America 40 and 50 feet long, and the Mammoth was at least three times the bulk of the elephant, in fact, it was of such a prodigious size, that I doubt very much whether a mere historical sketch, unsupported by the evidence of its skeleton, would not have been considered as marvellous as the accounts of the ancients concerning the serpent.

In Java, serpents have been seen 50 feet long, and the Liboya in Brazil frequently found 40 feet in length. In Africa, travellers have affirmed that they have seen several devour a buffalo, after writhing around it, and breaking every bone in its body, amidst the piteous groans and yells of the animal's death the most horrible that can be conceived.—From the very nature of these animals the one on our coast ought to excite more apprehension than curiosity.

They are universally amphibious; that is, can equally exist, on land and water. There is one that destroyed Regulus's troops had, no doubt, crept out of the River Bagrada, in search of prey, and whenever our northern Serpent finds it difficult to procure food at sea, or finds himself much disturbed in his present element, I should not be surprised to hear of his exerting his other faculty of crawling on the land, and feasting upon brutal and human victims. Calculating upon the extent which this one is represented to be, an hundred and fifty feet long, and of the size of a barrel, and considering the vast capacity of extension which they possess, I am fully of opinion that it could devour twenty men at once with ease. If some of those adventurous fishermen about Cape Ann are entombed in this monster's belly, they will owe it to something independent of its known qualities, its extreme subtlety and its irresistible power.

Foreign Articles.

LONDON, July 22.

SINGULAR DISCOVERY.

A curious circumstance took place at Shadwell On Saturday, Sarah Ann Brown, alias Wm. Brown, was charged with an assault, and during the examination (being dressed in sailor's clothes) confessed she was a woman, and had served fourteen years in the royal navy, in the Queen Charlotte, had a pension, and had but lately returned from a voyage to the West Indies. She is a native of New York, and said nothing would have induced her to discover her sex but the unpleasant situation in which she was placed. After making satisfaction, she was discharged.

THE BONAPARTE FAMILY.

The various members of the Bonaparte family live apart from all the nobility of Rome, and even from strangers who arrive there, the English excepted. Her royal highness the Princess of Wales, when she arrived at Rome, alighted immediately at Ruffinella, the property of Lucien, at Tusculum, and of which, it is said, the Princess means to make a purchase.—Lucien pays particular court to his mother, who is reputed to be very rich. He is still desirous of proceeding to America.

Gazette, July 13.

THE OPPRESSIVE POLICY OF ENGLAND.

(From the Gleaner Journal.)

Europe is under the yoke of England—This is one of those truths which, in the eyes of all men who make use of their intellectual faculties, has all the character of mathematical demonstration.

The yoke is more real than that of Napoleon, though invested with less humiliating forms. England has secured its ruin only to revenge itself upon the independence of all nations. Its flag, which explores the world, forms now a days the great power, and unmatchably this power is stronger and more inaccessible than that of armies. One cannot but admire the art with which it has manufactured the net which it has thrown over the globe. The first mesh, as a celebrated publicist has observed, is fixed to Heligoland, and the second to Jersey. From these it commands all the issues of Germany, watches over the Sound, intimates to Sweden and Denmark, and presses on the coast of Holland and France. In the centre of this line rises the metropolis, its second position renders its maritime power the tyrant of the European seas. Gibraltar and Malta secure to it the entrance and the centre of the Mediterranean; from the Ionian Islands it superintends the Adriatic and Greece; the Cape of Good Hope opens to it the soul to India; by means of Malabar, Ceylon, &c. it comprehends Asia; New Holland renders it mistress of the South; at Trinidad it has one foot on the Spanish Continent; at St. Lucia, Jamaica, &c. it watches the Havannah and the Gulf of Mexico, and the occupation of Canada and Newfoundland completes this immense chain, which seems to bind together the two worlds.

This preponderance, as ignominious as it is contrary to the rights of nations, is the object of universal hatred—and it may be ascribed, that nineteenth-twentieths of the inhabitants of Europe would rejoice at the fall of this terrible colossus.

The last volume of the Spirit of the Journals contains a curious letter on this subject, written by a speaker, who has the simplicity to believe that England will succour its allies, the Spaniards and Portuguese, against an English Navy Officer, who treats him with much warmth, and observes that England has not signed the Treaty of the Sacred Alliance.

The speech put into the mouth of this supposed English officer is a direct avowal of the truth of all the charges brought by the continental pamphleteers against England for the last 20 years; that England went to war to enrich herself with the spoils of other countries, whose colonies she seized; that the continental system would have ruined her, and that she has lavished her gold to find her, and that she has abolished the free trade, to ruin the colonies of all other nations, and reduce them to military stations; that the battle of Waterloo, the glory of which may be contested with her, but of which she has reaped the whole profit, makes her mistress of the universe; that she possesses, in every sea, impregnable ports, and is able, by her fleets, to blockade all the narrow seas, as the Baltic, the Sound, the Adriatic, the Dardanelles, &c. that she commands in France and Holland; that the manufactures of the continent gradually go to ruin; that she has inherited the strength and the projects of Napoleon, and added her own emporium to his tyranny, and has now no longer any occasion to dissemble, &c.

NUREMBERG, July 10.

A public journal says.—In the mediation of the great Powers between Spain and Portugal, important explanations are said to have been brought forward respecting the nature of the Sacred Alliance, according to which, first, it is valid only between the powers who have expressly concluded it, and which each other, but by no means a special treaty is necessary, whereby the contracting parties engage to protect each power, not only in the integrity of its whole territory, but also in all its constitutional rights, in respect to its subjects. In conformity with these arrangements, and the negotiations between North America and Spain, Russia, it is stated, has engaged to support the cause of Ferdinand VII. in Spanish America, with a squadron of six ships of the line, and several smaller vessels, and with an army of 15 or 20,000 men, for which Spain cedes to Russia, Old and New California, in America, and the Island of Minorca. It is also very important commercial advantages.

North America is stated to have engaged, in consideration of the cession of the two Floridas to Spain, to forbid all assistance to the Insurgents in its territories.

How far the negotiations have advanced, can not yet be positively said; but it is certain that they are going on. These negotiations, and the Relations of Russia with the Porte and Persia, greatly excite the attention of the English Ministry. It is thought in England that a fleet will soon be equipped. A Russian squadron has sailed from Revel and Constrand, and is expected shortly in the North Sea.

[Nuremberg Correspondent.]

LIVERPOOL, July 21.

We are happy to find the accounts, from all parts of the kingdom, still concurring in the prospects, which they held out, of a favorable harvest. For this, if the hope should be realized, we shall owe to Providence the warmest gratitude. If it should be frustrated, the most just complaint, by frequently and earnestly imploring these sentiments on their forests, the ministers of religion will discharge an important duty to society; and without taking part in disputes foreign to their sacred functions, will lay the foundation of general tranquillity. It is stated that the Spanish government has presented to our an official remonstrance against permitting English officers to join the rebels in South America. The answer asserted to have been given, is that no such proceeding has taken place with the countenance of the British government; and that if any English subjects should be taken, the Spaniards might deal with them accordingly. It may be recollect, that we some time since warned the individuals, who thought of engaging in such enterprises, that they would subject themselves to capital punishment if taken.—To shed the blood of man is no light affair; it is not to be engaged in, as a speculation of private ambition, or to gratify a wild and unquenchable spirit of adventure. An Englishman owes his life to his country; but if he engages as a private individual, unauthorised by his sovereign, in foreign contests, he is no better than a hired bravo, and equally punishable by the laws humane and divine.

The Day of Tripoli has presented the prince regent with such remains of antiquity as are moveable at Lebyda, which is famous for being the site of Carthage. The Westminster store ship, Mr. Turner commanding, is now on her voyage thither, for the purpose of receiving and carrying to England, those ancient monuments, which are represented as highly curious and illustrious that once splendid capital. It is stated that the Day has offered protection, as far as his authority extends, to any European who is willing to attempt the journey from Tripoli to Tombactoo. This, however, will prove but trifling, as the greatest danger arises after quitting his territories, as the roads lie then directly across the Great Desert, and which is by far the most perilous, through a sea of sand and the severity of water, besides attacks of wandering Moors.

THE POTOMAC.—We are delighted to find that the public attention has been partially awakened to the vast importance of perfecting the Navigation of the Potomac, than which there is no single object more intimately connected with the prosperity of the District of Columbia. It is very satisfactory to learn that the Potomac Company have at length taken the state of its concerns into serious consideration, and adopted measures to retrieve them, as we gather from an intimation in the Georgetown Messenger.—The Company for improving the navigation of the Shenandoah (now a distinct company, no longer connected with the Potomac Company) are also busily engaged in the works necessary to make the Shenandoah navigable for a hundred miles from its mouth, through the fertile valley which forms its bed. So highly do we appreciate the value of these improvements, that we believe an hundred thousand dollars a year, contributed gratuitously by the holders of property in this district to the completion of the navigation of the Potomac as far as practicable, would be a provident and profitable expenditure—a gratuity in regard to which it may be truly, almost literally said, "Cast thy bread upon the waters, and after many days it shall return to thee."

The following is an extract from the article in the Messenger which is above referred to:—

"The road which nature has given us, or some of her efforts, (whether at the original creation, or since (by means of some terrible disruption, it is immaterial to consider, on this occasion,) is the river Potomac, which empties its waters, and with them will ere long be in a state of preparation to empty all so the vast products of the vast region through which it meanders, into the lap of Georgetown. The Shenandoah also uniting itself with this noble river, will float into it from the same market, the immense products of the fertile soil bordering its route. The changes of this mode of conveyance over any other, will never fail to ensure to it the trade of all those whose contiguity to the shores of those two rivers, puts its advantages within their reach. And here it will not be improper to remark that no people, in any improvement which it was deemed advantageous to make, ever had greater cause of gratulation than have the citizens of this town, and the farmers in the upper country, on the recent appointment of John Mason, Henry Foxall, and John Laird, Esquires, as managers for the improvement of this navigation. They present a rare union of talents, enterprise, integrity, and practical experience. A new state of things has already grown up under their auspices. We look with confidence to the accomplishment of the work in which they are engaged."

*ibid.*

The deaths in the city of Charleston for one week, ending on the 31st of August, were 62 in number, of whom 32 were of the Yellow Fever. Of those who died during that week, the city inspector reports, that all were strangers, except the children; and that, in no instance that is known of, has the prevailing fever proved contagious.

"More Mud." was an expression, which it is said the famous Mat. Lyon used, when he saw the ill-looking new member come to the Congress. In one of the Western States James Dirt, esq. is announced as a candidate for Congress. Mat's apostrophe in this case would not be very much out of the way.

THE REPOSITORY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17.

Married, on Sunday the 7th inst. in the city of Washington, Mr. JOHN S. GALAN, printer, to Miss CATHERINE SHANNON, both of that place.

DIED, in Lexington, Ken. on the 20th of August last, Mr. Dennis Clarke, son of Mr. William Clarke, of Berkeley county Va.—a young man much esteemed by all who knew him.

LATEST FROM AMELIA.

Extract of a letter from a respectable gentleman in St. Marys to another in Savannah, dated August 31, 1816.

"I went to Amelia Island yesterday to see how our new neighbors progressed. They appear to be in high spirits, and wish much for an attack from the Spaniards. The Morgiana, and another brig mounting 10 guns and 76 men, arrived yesterday from New York. The guns and men for the Morgiana are coming on in a brig and sloop, which were supposed to be of the number of vessels in sight last evening, (two brigs, two schooners and one sloop). Mr. Hubbard, late sheriff of New York, told me bonds had to be given to the amount of 10,000 dollars—that they should not take 25 men, which number was thought sufficient to man the vessel. Large reinforcements are expected as soon as the sickly season is over, when they will proceed against Augustine. A proclamation, declaring East and West Florida blockaded after the 15th of September, is published by Commodore Taylor, and will be enforced by the naval force of the Republic of the Floridas. I had some conversation with general M. Gregor. He is certainly a very gentlemanly man, and has much the appearance of a military character. He speaks confidently of succeeding in the conquest of the country before the month of December.

Another letter, to the Editors, says, "The town of Fernandina is incorporated under gen. M. Gregor's authority, and has a mayor and aldermen, who make municipal regulations. There is a police office, at which every person must report when they arrive, and procure a passport when about to depart, for which they have to pay fifty cents. A printing office has also been established, and national money, something similar to the change bills of Savannah, put in circulation, signed by M. Gregor. The patriots at this time can refuse 500 men easily."

CHARLESTON, SEPT. 6.

From Amelia.—A letter received on Thursday last, dated at St. Mary's 20th ult. mentions that the brig Morgiana, with Sheriff Hubbard from New York, and an hermaphrodite brig, had arrived at Amelia Island; but it was understood they had brought neither men, money, nor munitions of war, as expected, which was a great disappointment to General M. Gregor. It was also reported that Governor Coppinger was preparing an expedition at St. Augustine, to dislodge the Patriots from their position at Amelia.

Courier.

NEW-YORK, SEPT. 8.

It is stated by the Portuguese, Captain Pontes, from Lisbon, that two frigates of that nation had recently captured three privateers, or piratical vessels, one of which was sent into Lisbon. One of the crew of this vessel informed that they had captured an English and an American vessel, and were every one of the crew. In consequence of this information the whole crew of the private were sentenced to be hung.

We learn by Capt. Taylor, of the British brig Benjamin, from Tobago, that the Royalists had been compelled to leave Anguera, an army of patriot troops who had invested the place having taken possession of the fortified posts. There were 18 sail of vessels in the port at the time, on board of which the royalists embarked. On leaving the port the patriots directed their guns against the fleet, and did considerable damage. They shot off a leg of the royal admiral. Six sail of the above fleet had arrived at Tobago.

BUFFALO, SEPT. 2.

Large and Valuable arrival of Furs.—Last week the sloop Tigress and sloop Hannah deposited the largest and most valuable lot of Furs ever before seen in this village. They consisted of beaver, otter, muskrat, bear skins and buffalo robes; 322 packs were consigned to Hart and Loxey, by John Jacob Astor, of N. York, and 150 packs were consigned to Townsend and Coit, belonging to seven owners. These furs came down in the Tigress, and in consequence of the starting of a plank on the 19th August, near the head of the lake, she sprung a leak, and a part of the cargo was landed in a damaged state, but owing to the timely exertions of the merchants to whom they were consigned, property to a large amount has been saved to the owners. We learn that a part of this cargo was insured in Boston. 122 packs came down in the sloop Hannah perfectly safe. These furs have been estimated at rising of 150,000 dollars. The damage is supposed to amount to 10 or 12,000 dollars.

AFFAIRS OF INDIA.

It appears by recent advices from Calcutta, that the encroachments of the British upon the possessions of the natives, though not effected with great velocity of movement, have a gradual progression. The fortress of Hattara had been reduced, and many smaller fortifications, had fallen. The Dutch, at Java, complain of the vexatious procrastination and the unaccommodating conduct of the British functionaries commissioned to effect the transfer of that island and its dependencies to the king of the Netherlands.—An attempt has been made to establish the feudal system at Java, by compelling the people to work on the roads and in cleaning the drains, which led to an insurrection, followed by much bloodshed. The whole eastern division of the Dutch army marched against the disaffected, and after a little resistance 100 were killed, and 500 taken, which latter were marched to prison, and being much limited in their confinement, they removed the files, and being resisted, they rose upon the guard, defenceless as they were, and about 200 of them were killed.

A ship under English colors, bound to Meuca with pilgrims, has been taken by the pirates, and all on board murdered, except three, six British regiment had embarked at Calcutta for St. Helena.

It is stated that parties of Marauders, who in India are denominated Pindaras, have committed extensive depredations.

Balt. Pat.

We continue to hear (says the Salem Register of Saturday) of the extraordinary fish off Cape Ann. He appears much at his ease in the neighborhood, quite content with the fish he finds, and taking nothing but what he finds free in the ocean. A space of about four miles is the utmost distance in which he has moved since his last visit, if he be the same that has so often appeared on our coast. He has, however, tarried long enough to convince every person of his real existence, and to make it consistent with a good reputation, to say that we have seen him.

The Sea Serpent having changed his position as we have expressed it, for plenty of sea room, it is probable that the arrangements now for his capture will prove abortive, and he will not be likely to hear more of him than he is being occasionally seen in the ocean, unless he should attempt a fishing cruise on the forbidden ground the coast of Nova Scotia. In that case his Britannic Majesty's naval commanders, who are so extremely tenacious of their master's rights, considering that he would be last seen on an American port, would certainly attempt his capture, and, if successful, send him in for legal adjudication, in the court of Admiralty, at Halifax, on a charge of a violation of the treaty of Ghent.

[N. H. Cent.]

BITE OF A SERPENT.

In page 204 of vol. III. (Memoirs of Dr. Lattson) the following curious relation is given by Bishop Madison:—

"In a town, this fall, among the mountains of our country, near to the place where I happened to be, a boy of twelve or thirteen years of age, was bit, on the side of one of his feet, by a very venomous serpent, commonly called a copperhead. The poison of this animal is not less dreadful than that of the crochis horridus, or rattlesnake. The boy was carried home, and soon discovered symptoms of great uneasiness. A swelling commenced, and the wound was swelling, swollen. A bystander, acquainted, I suppose, with the practice of the Indians, recommended the following application. A chicken was caught, the feathers plucked from the abdomen, and that part closely applied to the wound. The chicken instantly grew sick, and died as quick as if his head had been cut off. A second was applied in a similar manner; it died in about four minutes. A third also shared the same fate, in nearly eight minutes. A fourth was applied; it discovered some uneasiness, but did not die. The process was then discontinued. The boy was relieved, and suffered no greater inconvenience from the wound than he would have done from the puncture of a needle or pin. He was perfectly well on the second day. Having heard of what had passed, I was preparing to go to the house where the boy was, when his father, a very respectable man, a magistrate, and noted for his strict veracity, together with two other persons, upon whose information I entirely relied, from an intimate acquaintance with them, came to me. From them I heard the particulars related, as they were present, and witnessed the effects of this extraordinary inhibition of the poison. There remains not the shadow of doubt of the fact, as I have stated it. I saw the boy on the third day.

"The copper-head resembles the moccasin somewhat, but is larger. Some, indeed consider it as the female rattlesnake; but I rather suppose it to be a distinct species. This snake is not mentioned by Catesby. Might not the same remedy be applied, in the case of a bite from a mad-dog?"

Road through Chateaugay.

Plattsburgh, Aug. 30.—The President of the United States has given orders to have a good road completed from Plattsburgh Village to Chateaugay Four Corners. The troops of the United States are to be employed on this service. A detachment of about 200 of the 6th regiment marched from this place on Thursday last, and have commenced working about three miles west of this village.

Instances of sagacity in dogs have been frequently quoted, but one lately occurring of peculiar interest: one of our carriers being indisposed, his son took his place, but not knowing the subscribers, he was aided by the dog, who, being accustomed to the route, trotted on ahead of the boy, and stopped at the door of each subscriber, where the paper was left without the least mistake.—[Nat. Advocate.]

Philadelphia Sept. 6.—Ship Christopher Gore, from Holland, now below, with 230 passengers, is in a most wretched condition from sickness.—When she sailed from Amsterdam she had 250 passengers on board, who had been for several weeks living in the streets of Amsterdam, like Lazarus. They were shipped by the civil authority of Amsterdam, most of them in a state of sickness.—Forty nine adults were thrown overboard during the passage, including the mate and one of the seamen.—We understand that other vessels, freighted with these miserable creatures, were soon to sail for this port.

New and Important Discovery.

WARRENTON, VA. SEPT. 6.

We are informed that a Mr. Harrison has discovered an extensive quarry of Gypsum on the margin of the James River, about thirty miles below Richmond. He exhibited samples of it here; and it is allowed by good judges to be of a quality equal if not superior to the plaster of Paris.—What an individual acquisition must this be to the farmers of the surrounding country.

Death of another Revolutionary Patriot.

The venerable General PICKENS is no more! He closed his useful and honorable life on the 11th inst., at Tamassee, in Pendleton district, S. C. full of years and respect.

The loss of this good man and most exemplary citizen, will be deeply felt by the community, and his country will long deplore a departed hero.

He was among the first of her sons who girded on his sword in her defence, and he persevered honorably to the end.

[So. Pat.]

A meeting of the owners of Lots, in Charleston, is requested at the Court House this evening, 17th inst. at 5 o'clock.

PUBLIC SALE.

WILL be sold, at Public Sale, on Tuesday the 7th of October next, at the residence of the subscriber, on the south side of the Shenandoah River, opposite Little & Craghill's Mill, the following property, viz.

A stout, healthy, Negro Girl, about 18 years of age, a good Road Wagon, Horses, several fresh Milch Cows, young Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, fit for killing this fall, a set of Blacksmith Tools, Household and Kitchen Furniture, a quantity of excellent Hay, Farming Utensils of every description, and many other articles too numerous to mention. A credit of Six Months will be given, upon the purchaser giving bond with approved security. The sale to commence at 9 o'clock in the forenoon.

A boat will be furnished for those persons who may wish to cross the river at Little & Craghill's Mill.

CHARLES CONNER.

September 17.

R. WORTHINGTON,

HAS JUST RECEIVED A CONSIDERABLE SUPPLY OF

GOODS,

which are offered for sale on very good terms.

Charlestown, September 17.

FLAXSEED.

I wish to purchase a quantity of CLEAN FLAXSEED.

R. WORTHINGTON.

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LIME.

THE subscriber has for sale, at the farm of Mr. Richard H. L. Washington, near Charlestown, a quantity of Fresh LIME.

B. C. WASHINGTON.

September 17.

O Yes! O Yes! O Yes!

THE subscriber respectfully offers his services to the Public as

AN AUCTIONEER.

His charges will be reasonable, and every exertion in his power used to give general satisfaction.

JOHN DELGARD.

Harpur's Ferry, Sept. 17.



THE WILD FLOWER.

BY MAXWELL.

I saw a wild flower in my walk, Just sparkling in the morning dew, As blushing on its tender stalk...

Sweet flower, said I, here flourish still; A playmate for the busy bee; I will not pluck thee against thy will...

That rosy bloom, too sweet to fade, May win a more becoming mate, A nosegay for some lovely maid...

Or if thou choose it, sweet wild thing, Here live and breathe thy latest sigh! Then Zephyr, on its balmy wing, Waft thy pure spirit to the sky!

From Dr. Earl's Medical Companion.

HYPOCHONDRIAC DISEASE,

(Commonly called Vapors or Low-Spirits.)

This complaint chiefly occurs in the male, and that at an advanced life; and it is confined, for the most part, to persons of a sedentary or studious disposition...

Some Hypochondriacs have fancied themselves miserably afflicted in one way, and some in another—some have insisted that they were TEA POTTS, and some that they were TOWN CLOCKS...

This Hypochondriac, who by the bye was a patient of Dr. Stevenson, after ringing the change on every mad conceit that ever tormented a crazy brain...

"Well, Sir, how do you do? how do you do this morning?" asked Dr. Stevenson, in his blustering jocular way...

"How do I do?" replied the Hypochondriac faintly—a pretty question to ask a dead man...

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"My boy, your poor master is dead. And the sooner he can be put in the ground the better. Run to Mr. C—m, for I know he always keeps New-England coffins by him ready made...

"I will soon begin to smell."

"Away went the servant, and soon returned with a proper coffin. The wife and family having got their lesson from the Doctor, gathered around him, and howled not a little, while they were putting the body in the coffin...

"What poor soul have you got there?" "A poor Mr. B—," answered the Doctor—"is dead."

"Great pity he had not left us twenty years ago," replied the other, "for he was a bad man."

Presently another of the townsmen met them with the same question. "And what poor soul have you got there, Doctor?"

"Poor Mr. B—," answered the Doctor—"is dead."

"Ah! indeed?" said the other. "And so the devil has got his own at last?"

"On villian!" exclaimed the man in the coffin. "I will not be dead, how I would pay you for that!"

man bursting of the lid of the coffin, which had been purposely left loose, leaped out exclaiming, "Oh, you villian! I am gone to hell, an I—Well, I have come back to gain to pay such ungrateful rascals as you are..."

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Sale of Land under Deed of Trust.

BY virtue of a deed of trust, given to me by Ferdinand Fairfax and Eliza B. his wife, bearing date the first of June, 1812...

The sale will be made at Harper's Ferry at 12 o'clock. A. M. JOHN DIXON.

August 20.

Ephraim S. Bellar, CABINET MAKER,

HAS just received an assortment of Mahogany, equal to any in this part of the country, and furnished himself with the newest fashions for Sideboards, Secretaries, Bureaus, &c.

Wheat, Rye, Oats & Corn, WILL BE TAKEN AT A FAIR MARKET PRICE FOR GOODS,

Superfine and other cloths, Silk, Straw and Chip Bonnets, Ladies' and Misses Morocco Shoes, Fur Hats.

Dry Goods, Hardware, &c. &c. Copied Brandy, Spirits and Wine of the best quality—All of which will be sold on the cheapest terms for cash, or country produce.

VALUABLE PROPERTY FOR SALE. The subscriber offers for sale, on accommodating terms, the house and lot which he at present occupies...

VALUABLE LAND FOR SALE. I will sell on accommodating terms, the two following tracts of land, viz.

1360 ACRES, On the fork of Buffalo Creek, Monongalia county, Virginia, about 10 miles above the junction of the creek with the Monongahela river...

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Stray Steer. CAME to the subscriber's farm, adjoining Capt. B. Beeler's, some time in the month of June last, a Black and White spotted Steer, with a crop off the right ear...

Five Dollars Reward. STRAYED from the subscriber's farm in harvest, a large white drove steer, speckled with small red spots, particularly about the neck, thick horns, inclining inwardly...

Regimental Orders. The first Battalion, commanded by Major Davenport, will parade in Shepherdstown, on Saturday the 25th of October next, at 11 o'clock.

CORN FOR SALE. The subscriber has a quantity of corn for sale, at five dollars per barrel. MASON B. DODD.

Cash given for Rags. THE highest price will be given for clean linen and cotton RAGS, at this office.

Bible Society.

The managers of the Bible Society of Jefferson county, are requested to meet on Wednesday the 24th inst. at 11 o'clock, at M. in Shepherd's Town.

JOHN KEARSLEY, Pres. Sept. 10.

STRAY STEER.

CAME to the subscriber's farm some time in July last, a Brindle Steer, 5 or 6 years old, marked with a small slip off the under side of the left ear, a crop or swallow fork in the left ear, and four notches cut in the right horn.

THE FARM of Richard B. Beckwith, lying in the county of Frederick is for sale, and if not disposed of by private contract, previous to the first day of October next, will be exposed to sale at PUBLIC AUCTION...

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SERPENTS.

Much has been read, thought, and said, of late, on the subject of the tribe of Serpents, since the first account received of the Sea Serpent discovered on the coast of Massachusetts.

The authenticity of this account might be questioned, if it did not agree with similar accounts of older date. It would be curious to know whether any reptiles of this monstrous size have ever been seen in this country; and, if so, where and by whom.

It seems the customs of this creature is to lie in wait for his prey by hiding in the boughs of large trees, from which it unexpectedly drops upon the creature before it sees an enemy; but the instance we saw of this must relate to you.

There are great plenty of tigers in that country; and one of them, of a monstrous size, not less than a common heifer, as he went along, came at length under the serpent's tree, and swift as thought, the serpent dropped upon him, seizing him across the back, and laid his shoulders with his horrible mouth, where he bit with his back, bigger than a man's head...

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