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General Miscellany.

AD ACADEMY.

Reason of this Institution will be on the 1st of September, and 25th of December following. Instruction being designed to be given in the English Language, Latin, French, and German. The course will comprise the Language generally—Some of the Students recently completed their studies with a view of entering the Army, have left vacancies to be filled by the scholars. The terms are \$116 for the school, and \$10 for the board. Parents and Guardians residing in the city, are requested to send their children to the Academy. T. W. COLEMAN, President of the Academy. 33-41

LOWMEYER.

an office in Southfield, and in the several Courts of the County.

ATTORNEY.

RESY AT LAW, in the Superior and Inferior Courts of the County, and in the several Courts of the County. All business committed to him will be characterized by attention and punctuality. 25 Market-st. Leesburg. 33-41

T. COOKS.

ULLY takes pleasure in informing customers, and the public, that he is just receiving and opening a supply of new and beautiful goods, and is now on hand at his store in Shepherd-st. 33-41

Establishment FOR SALE.

Having entered upon the business of a Dispensary, and Medicine Establishment in the city of Washington, I have a large assortment of the most valuable and useful medicines, and a full supply of the most elegant and useful furniture, and am now on hand at my store in Shepherd-st. 33-41

TO WRITE.

in the Clerk's Office of the Superior Court of Law and Chancery, the first Monday of the month.

AGAINST.

Margaret Dixon, Henry and George, and others.

IN CHANCERY.

William V. Russell, not appearing, and others, against the estate of the late John V. Russell, deceased. 33-41

DEBENT T. BROWN, Clerk.

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Yard in Shep.

begs leave to inform the public that in connection with his store, he has extensive.

BER YARD.

prepared to supply all demands for lumber, and other goods, and is now on hand at his store in Shepherd-st. 33-41

YK! PLANK!

has a quantity of seasoned plank for sale, of a good quality, 1 inch, 1 1/2 inch, 2 inch, 3 inch, 4 inch, 5 inch, 6 inch, 8 inch, 10 inch, 12 inch, 14 inch, 16 inch, 18 inch, 20 inch, 22 inch, 24 inch, 26 inch, 28 inch, 30 inch, 32 inch, 34 inch, 36 inch, 38 inch, 40 inch, 42 inch, 44 inch, 46 inch, 48 inch, 50 inch, 52 inch, 54 inch, 56 inch, 58 inch, 60 inch, 62 inch, 64 inch, 66 inch, 68 inch, 70 inch, 72 inch, 74 inch, 76 inch, 78 inch, 80 inch, 82 inch, 84 inch, 86 inch, 88 inch, 90 inch, 92 inch, 94 inch, 96 inch, 98 inch, 100 inch. 33-41

HOUSE LOGS.

has a quantity of house logs for sale, of a good quality, 12 feet, 14 feet, 16 feet, 18 feet, 20 feet, 22 feet, 24 feet, 26 feet, 28 feet, 30 feet, 32 feet, 34 feet, 36 feet, 38 feet, 40 feet, 42 feet, 44 feet, 46 feet, 48 feet, 50 feet, 52 feet, 54 feet, 56 feet, 58 feet, 60 feet, 62 feet, 64 feet, 66 feet, 68 feet, 70 feet, 72 feet, 74 feet, 76 feet, 78 feet, 80 feet, 82 feet, 84 feet, 86 feet, 88 feet, 90 feet, 92 feet, 94 feet, 96 feet, 98 feet, 100 feet. 33-41

CHARLES HARPER.

has a quantity of wool for sale, of a good quality, 1 lb, 2 lb, 3 lb, 4 lb, 5 lb, 6 lb, 7 lb, 8 lb, 9 lb, 10 lb, 11 lb, 12 lb, 13 lb, 14 lb, 15 lb, 16 lb, 17 lb, 18 lb, 19 lb, 20 lb, 21 lb, 22 lb, 23 lb, 24 lb, 25 lb, 26 lb, 27 lb, 28 lb, 29 lb, 30 lb, 31 lb, 32 lb, 33 lb, 34 lb, 35 lb, 36 lb, 37 lb, 38 lb, 39 lb, 40 lb, 41 lb, 42 lb, 43 lb, 44 lb, 45 lb, 46 lb, 47 lb, 48 lb, 49 lb, 50 lb, 51 lb, 52 lb, 53 lb, 54 lb, 55 lb, 56 lb, 57 lb, 58 lb, 59 lb, 60 lb, 61 lb, 62 lb, 63 lb, 64 lb, 65 lb, 66 lb, 67 lb, 68 lb, 69 lb, 70 lb, 71 lb, 72 lb, 73 lb, 74 lb, 75 lb, 76 lb, 77 lb, 78 lb, 79 lb, 80 lb, 81 lb, 82 lb, 83 lb, 84 lb, 85 lb, 86 lb, 87 lb, 88 lb, 89 lb, 90 lb, 91 lb, 92 lb, 93 lb, 94 lb, 95 lb, 96 lb, 97 lb, 98 lb, 99 lb, 100 lb. 33-41

WOOL.

has the highest market price for clean WASHED WOOL. HUMPHREY KEYS, 33-41

THE MOTHER'S INJUNCTION.

On presenting her Son with a Bible, Remember love, who gave thee this, When other days shall come, When she who had thy earliest kiss, Sleeps in her narrow home; Remember 'twas a mother gave The gift to one she'd die to save. That mother sought a pledge of love, The halting-foot her son, And from the gifts of God above, She chose a golden one, She chose, for her beloved boy, The Source of light, and life, and joy. And bade him keep the gift,—that when Each day should bring to thee, They might have hope to meet again In an eternal home. She said his faith in that would be, Sweet income to her memory. And should the sufferer, in his pride, Forget that fond faith to serve, And bid him cast the pledge aside, 'That he from youth had borne! She bade him pause, and ask his breast, 'If he, as she, had loved him best. A parent's blessing on her son, 'Tis such as will bring down, The heart that would return the one Most to the other eling. Remember! 'tis no idle tale— 'A mother's gift—Remember, boy!'

LADIES DEPARTMENT.

MRS. FLORA MACDONALD.

(From sketches of distinguished Females by J. Sewall Jones.)

The romantic story of this celebrated heroine is not confined to Scotland, nor to the fortunes of the house of Stuart. The banks of the Cape Fear, in North Carolina, were for several years distinguished by her residence; and it is this circumstance which will link her name with the history of that State, almost inseparably, as it already is with that of her own Scotland.

The rebellions of Scotland had contributed to the population of the Cape Fear counties long before the famous revolt of the Highland clans, under the chivalrous banner of Prince Charles Edward, in 1745, after which much of the nobility and gentry of the Stuart party sought a refuge amidst the solitudes of our forests. The fatal battle of Culloden annihilated the power and independence of the Highland "lairds," and in the year 1747, a colony of five thousand Highlanders arrived and settled on the banks of Cape Fear. They came originally from hard necessity, but, even up to this time, from ties of relationship, or the still deeper sympathy of mutual origin, the Highland emigrants are prone to seek the sandy regions of their countrymen. He who cannot go to Scotland may penetrate into the counties of Cumberland, Moore, Richmond, Robeson, and indeed into nearly all Cape Fear counties, where he will find even the Gaelic tongue, in all its native purity.

Flora Macdonald was the daughter of Macdonald of Milton, in the Island of South Uist, but her father having died in her infancy, and her mother having married Macdonald of Armadale, in Skye, an adherent of the Government, she was thus endeared to both parties, the Government, and that of Prince Charles, the young Pretender. Her more usual residence was with her brother, the proprietor of Milton; but such seems to have been the estimation of her character, that she was beloved by every clan, rebellions or not.

She did not see the Prince Charles until after the battle of Culloden, when he was a wanderer without a home, and without friends or adherents. His forces had been slaughtered and routed, and he himself driven to the hills and caves of his kingdom to find a hiding place; and, at such a moment, Flora Macdonald adopted him and his cause. She disguised him in a female dress, and guided him from island to island; and after encountering every hardship and every peril, put him into the way to escape to France, where he had friends on and around the throne.

Flora Macdonald was arrested, confined in prison, and after a year was released and then carried into the Court society of London, by Lady Primrose, a Jacobite lady of wealth and distinction. It is recorded that twenty coaches stood at the door of Lady Primrose, to pay their respects to the heroine of the Scotch rebellion only a few days after her release. A chaise and four were fitted up to take her back to Scotland; and when she was consulted as to who should escort her home, she selected her fellow prisoner Gen. Malcolm MacLeod, who boasted "that he came to London to be hanged, but rode back in a chaise-and-four with Flora Macdonald."

She afterwards married Kingsburg Macdonald of Kingsburg, the son of one of her old associates in the perilous salvation of Prince Charles; and he, like all the highland gentlemen, was encumbered with heavy obligations, in the way of private debts, and still heavier oaths of fealty to the house of Hanover.

In 1773, Doctor Johnson and Mr. Boswell visited the house of Kingsburg Macdonald, and were entertained by the generosity and hospitality of the proprietor and his noble spouse. She was then a fine, genteel looking woman, full of the enthusiasm of her early life; and as she was now the mis-

stress of the house in which both the fugitive prince and herself had been once entertained by the father of her husband, she put the great living patriarch of English letters in the same bed in which the unfortunate prince had on that occasion slept. In the tour to the Hebrides, it is related that Kingsburg Macdonald was embarrassed in his private affairs, and contemplated a migration to America.

I think it was in 1775, when she arrived in North Carolina and settled at Cross Creek, the seat of the present town of Fayetteville. It was a stormy period of our history, and those who came among us at that time to seek peace and contentment were disappointed, for they met at their landing civil and intestine war. The policy of the royal governor, too, was to carry along with him the Highlanders, whom he represented as still liable to confiscation of estate for their former rebellion. The prudent emigrants were too recently from the bloody field of Culloden to run heedlessly into another war of extermination. They measured the strength of the English Government by their own experience, and seeing around them no prince of their own blood to lead them on to battle, they, nearly to a man, joined the royal standard.

The truth is, the countrymen of Flora Macdonald were incapable of appreciating the nature of our Revolution. They had come to North Carolina in quest of fortune and undisturbed peace, and clung to the government from a double sense of interest and fear. The sublime idea of an American empire, was not in the range of their hopes or anticipations; but Scotland was again to be their home when King George should have forgotten their rebellion, and fortune should again have restored them to wealth and importance.

Kingsburg Macdonald entered with much zeal into the royal government, and assisted his kinsman, General Donald Macdonald, in his extensive preparations for the famous battle of Moore's Creek.—Flora, too, is said to have embraced with much enthusiasm, the same cause, and to have exhorted her countrymen to adhere to their king. The settlement of Cross Creek was the metropolis of the Highlanders, and there they congregated to listen to the coun-

sel of their great chiefs. The MacLeods, the McNeils, and the Campbells, were all represented there, in the person of some beloved and hereditary chieftain.

On the first of February, 1776, Donald Macdonald issued a proclamation, calling upon all loyal Highlanders to join his standard at Cross Creek, and on that day fifteen hundred men mustered under his command. The enthusiastic spirit of Flora forgot that it was not "her Charlie," she was warring, and tradition says she was seen among the ranks, encouraging and exhorting them to battle. Loyalty seems to have been a strange principle in the bosom of the Highlanders. Thirty years before this period they had fought the battle of Culloden against the house of Hanover; and now they are on the eve of a similar engagement to its support against the cause of freedom.

Kingsburg Macdonald was a captain in the army of Donald Macdonald, and his wife followed the fortunes of the camp. She proceeded with the army to Rockyfish river, and was with her husband on the morning of the 26th of February, on the banks of Moore's Creek, a small stream in the county of Hanover.

The whig army, under the command of Col. Livingston, was ranged on the other side of the stream, and on the morning of the 27th, the celebrated battle of Moore's Creek was fought. The Highlanders signally routed, Colonel MacLeod and Campbell both slain. Kingsburg Macdonald taken prisoner, and Flora once more a fugitive, and indeed an outlaw.—The Highlanders were a brave and loyal race, but poor fellows, they had their Culloden in North Carolina as well as in Scotland.

Flora Macdonald returned to Cross Creek, without her husband, and there she found the whig banner triumphant under the command of Colonel Alexander Martin, afterwards the Governor of the State. The sad ravages of her fortune seemed to have begun. Tradition says her house was pillaged, and her plantation ravaged by the cruelty of the whigs, and there is too much reason to believe it is true. The Highland population was for many years conquered, and kept in subjection by the remembrance of this defeat, and it was only during the latter part of the war, when the contest became more doubtful, that they again joined in the heat of battle.

The Highlanders, and with them the husband of Flora Macdonald, there is too much reason to fear, shared the fate of the unfortunate rebellions of 1745. Their estates were ravaged by force, and as soon as a state government was established, the ravages of the whigs were legalized by an act of confiscation. Kingsburg Macdonald remained in North Carolina but a few

years, when he embarked in a sloop of war for Scotland. Mr. Chambers in his admirable history of the Rebellion of 1745, records a circumstance that occurred during the voyage illustrative of her character. The sloop encountered a French ship, and in the thickest of the battle, Flora was on deck, encouraging the crew until the contest ceased. She afterwards philosophized, by saying that she had endangered her life for both the house of Stuart and the house of Hanover, but that she did not perceive that she had profited by her exertion.

There is one anecdote connected with the battle of Moore's Creek, and with Donald Macdonald, who was a kinsman of Flora, the Highland chief, which deserves to be here recorded.—He was an old veteran in the art of war, having been engaged as an officer in the army of the young Pretender, in 1745, in which character he appeared in the battle of Culloden. He was sick at the moment of the battle of Moore's Creek, and, committing the fate of his countrymen into the hands of his aid-de-camp, Col. MacLeod, he remained in his camp. After his forces had been entirely routed, the white commanders found him alone, seated on a stump, and, as they walked up to him, he waived the parchment scroll of his commission in the air, and surrendered it into their hands.

The town of Fayetteville now covers the spot formerly the metropolis of the Highland clans. There lived Flora Macdonald, and a host of others, whose names appear in the history of Scotland as brave and warlike spirits. To me it was a beautiful spot, as seen in 1832, before its destruction by fire, when the spring-fine of the year contributed to embellish the banks of the small stream that winds its way through the very streets of the town. I remember one view, which would have been a fit spot even for the romantic genius of Flora Macdonald! There was a small bridge that spanned the stream connecting the court-house and the city-hall, and standing on this bridge, you had the first office of Mr. Eccles, an accomplished attorney, immediately before you, suspended over the creek, and then connected with the street by a bridge; the stream then flowed on through a garden, and thence to the city, and then hid itself amidst a profusion of the richest shrubbery.

On the left was the Episcopal church, and away down the creek, the high steeple of the Presbyterian meeting house shot up in the air, as if it had been the monument of the spot. A beautiful crystal stream, with embroidered banks, winding its way through the heart of a city—such an ornament had the Cross Creek of the Highlanders. There is another creek, that courses along the southern extremity of the town, and just below the city the two streams apparently cross at right angles. The superstition was of old, that the waters actually crossed each other, but by a little observation, you will perceive that the streams have, as it were, accidentally touched, and without further conflict separated, and gone off quietly on their serpentine courses. Hence the name of Cross Creek.

The surrounding country is a sandy barren, with but little undergrowth, and but few the lofty pines that cover it, would pass for a Libyan desert. In the midst of this wild waste of sand stands the American home of Flora Macdonald—a city in a wilderness; an oasis in a sandy desert. The life of no female in the history of any country was ever more deserving the attention of the historian. The adventurous deeds in the service of the unfortunate prince, have been celebrated by almost every poet of the age, and have, more than any single subject, infused a spirit of love and war into the minstrelsy of her own poetical country.

FEMALE CHARACTER.

Women are generally deceived when they think that they recommend themselves to the other sex by an indifference to religion. Every man who knows human nature, connects a religious feeling with softness and sensibility of heart. At least we always considered the want of it a proof of that masculine spirit, which, of all your faults, we dislike most. Besides men consider you religion as the best security for female virtue, in which they are most sensibly interested. Never indulge yourself in ridicule on religious subjects, nor give countenance to it in others; by seeming diverted at what they say.—This, to the people of good understanding, will be a sufficient check.

Let a woman be decked with all the embellishments of art and the gifts of nature—yet if boldness is to read in her face, it blots all the lines of beauty. Modesty is not only an ornament, but also a guard to virtue. It is a delicate feeling in the soul, which makes her shrink and withdraw herself from the appearance of danger. It is an exquisite sensibility that warns her to shun every thing hurtful.

MISCELLANY.

EXTRAORDINARY ELOPEMENT.

We have to-day to announce an elopement which will surprise our readers.—Paganini stands charged with having induced Miss Watson, (daughter of Mr. Watson, formerly of Covent Garden theatre,) a girl of sixteen, to quit her father's house to accompany him to the continent.—The afflicted father has furnished the following particulars: Mr. Watson has been professionally associated with Paganini for a considerable period, and, with his daughter, accompanied the Italian to Paris, Brussels, and other places.—They returned to England early in the season to give concerts, and resided in the same house in Calthorpe street, Gray's Inn lane. The state of Paganini's health made it desirable for him that he should be included in some family arrangement. Mr. Watson had, on various occasions, received kind attentions from Paganini, and lately at his daughter's benefit, the violinist, it will be remembered, lent his best assistance.

On Monday last Miss Watson suddenly left the house. Her father heard the door close, and a thought instantly came over him that she was about to withdraw herself from him. He rushed after her in his slippers, but, though two minutes had not elapsed since her exit, all traces of her were lost. After some time Mr. Watson was informed that the young lady had fled to the house of Mr. Hughes, a law-writer, of Carey street, Lincoln's Inn fields.—There it was admitted she had been, but further information could not be obtained. The anxious father learnt that Paganini had left by the Dover mail directed for Paris on Sunday evening, with his valet, Francesco Urbani. Mr. Watson went on Monday evening, by the mail to Dover. He discovered that Paganini had gone to Bologna, and followed him immediately. On entering the harbour, he observed the Signor and his followers carefully watching every passenger. On Mr. Watson presenting himself on deck, Paganini and his whole party instantly disappeared. Mr. W. made immediate application to the British Consul, W. Hamilton Esq., who, in the kindest manner, gave him prompt assistance in the arrest of the steamerboat from London on Tuesday, at midnight, in which was Miss Watson and Mr. Hughes, she was secured, and restored to her agitated father.

This took place in the custom house, where Mr. Watson was accompanied by the secretary of the consul and the police. At that moment Paganini's valet, with the desperation of a true Italian bravo, had the temerity to rush in and seize Miss Watson, exclaiming, "What is all this? Give me the child!" The police and gens d'armes beat the fellow out with their staves and muskets. Miss Watson was then conveyed to the Royal Hotel, and in the morning the consul escorted the father and daughter to the packet, and saw them depart.

Since her return, Miss Watson has seen her error, and repeated her discretion—for, happily, it was no more, of which she has been guilty.—From her statement, it appears that the gold which had been so profusely poured into Paganini's coffers was used sparingly to wear her from her father.—He lately bought her a tians, which cost £50, and other diamonds to the amount of £300. He had promised that he would marry her the moment he got to Paris, with a settlement of £4000 a year, and that his friend Rothschild should witness its being secured to her immediately on her arrival there. She thought it would make her father happy, she says, to see her rich, and relieve him from all future pecuniary anxiety. A letter was dictated to her, which she was persuaded to sign, which as near as she can recollect was as follows:

"My dear Sir,—I am so unhappy at home, being used so ill by my father, that I am induced to throw myself on your protection; and if you will be so kind as to protect me, I promise to do any thing you can ask of me in return."

Paganini (she adds) told her to go to Mr. H. and his wife and mother would convey her to Bologna, instead of which she found no one but him. She was afraid to return, and so went forward with him alone. The wife of Francesco was to be her waiting-maid, while some one went to Brucianini, where a bag, containing an entire change of female apparel, was procured. She was then told that it was necessary she should wear these, to prevent her being claimed by her father, as he would have no power to touch her, unless she wore some article which he might claim as his property. Paganini was to buy her a most elegant carriage; and in short, every thing that could dazzle a young mind, according to her present statement, was procured, in order to persuade her to go off. Her expectation is, that he will return and offer her marriage.

MISCELLANY.

We understand it is Mr. Watson's intention to proceed immediately to the continent, to institute an action for damages against Paganini.

Paganini and Miss Watson.

Paganini, in a letter to the editor of a Paris paper, has entered into an elaborate defence of his conduct and intentions with respect to Mr. Watson and his family, both of which he complains have been so grossly misrepresented in the London and Boulogne papers.—After going into a variety of details, referring to his pecuniary relations with his father, and boasting of the many munificent things he had done for him, which are wholly alien to the case, the Signor proceeds to the charge of abduction. Upon that subject his own language is this:—"I now come to the accusation of abduction, the burden of which is, that it was an *arrangement* which I suggested. Miss Watson to rejoin me at Boulogne. Perceiving in that young person a great talent for music, which her father was not in a condition to cultivate, I proposed to him to make her my pupil, assuring him that after three years' study, she would be able, by her talents, not only to secure an independence for herself, but be the means of assisting her family, particularly her mother. My propositions at one time rejected, at another accepted with warm expressions of gratitude, were still undetermined upon when I quitted England, again renewing to Watson my offers in favor of his daughter, Miss Watson, who, by the way, is eighteen, not sixteen, as has been stated, and has already appeared upon the stage, and with every fair prospect of success; if it had not been proposed, I do not feel happy at home, she fled the paternal roof, and came of her own accord to claim protection from him whose counsels and kindnesses had encouraged her to hope for a better future. It is not true, then, that I had any such intention, the opportunities for carrying it into effect were numerous and seasonable enough; as she was often left alone in the house. But I have the courage to avow that Miss Watson was sure of finding in me the protection and assistance which her father denied her. In this, sir, I obeyed only an impulse of kindness and generosity, which, instead of blame and false accusation, would merit the praises of all well meaning persons, who alone are capable of appreciating a good action. As for those who see in it but a libertinism, and disgraceful sentiment, I treat them with pity and contempt. And to conclude upon this unpleasant affair, I protest strongly that my conduct has been without reproach, my intentions honest, disinterested, and conformable to the laws of morality and religion—both of which indicate the giving assistance and protection to the oppressed. Thus, my conscience is free from any pang as to all that has passed respecting this young person, who deserves a better fate. In conclusion, I may say that I still feel strong enough within myself to despise this fresh attack of bad faith and malice against a man for whose life some glory and false persecution appear still to dispute, without, however, at all shaking his courage.—Nicolo Paganini."

The Queen of Prussia at the Battle of Jena.

A few minutes before the attack the Queen of Prussia, mounted on a superb charger, appeared on the field of battle, and accompanied by the elite of the youth of Berlin rode along the front of the most advanced lines of the Prussian army. The flag, which her own hands had embroidered to stimulate the troops, together with those which had been borne in the armies of Frederick the Great, and which were blackened with gunpowder, were lowered at her approach. Shouts of enthusiasm resounded through the Prussian ranks. The atmosphere was so clear and the two armies were so close to each other, that the French could plainly discern the costume of the Royal Amazon.—Her singular dress was, indeed, the chief cause of the danger she incurred in her flight. On her head was a helmet of pointed steel, shaded by a superb plume.—The rest of her dress consisted of a cuirass, glittering with gold and silver, and a tunic of silver brocade, reaching to her feet, on which she wore red boots, with gold spurs.

When the Prussian army was routed the Queen remained on the field, attended by three or four men of her escort, who had defended her. However, a small party of Hussars, who had fought gloriously during the battle, rushed forward at full gallop, and with drawn swords dispersed the little group. Started by this unexpected attack, the horse, which her Majesty rode, darted off at a furious gallop and had not possessed the fleetness of a stag, the fair Queen would infallibly have been captured by the French Hussars, who were several times very close upon her. The Queen, pursued, arrived within sight of the gates of Weimar; when a strong detachment of Dragoons was seen pursuing her at a full speed. The commander of the detachment had orders to take the Queen at all risk. But no sooner had she entered Weimar than the gates were closed, and the Hussars and Dragoons returned disappointed to the field of battle.—[Bourienne's Memoirs.

Old Clocks.

I love to contemplate an old clock—one of those relics of bygone time, that come down to us wrapped in veneration, telling their tale of simple yet touching interest. How erect and dignified stands in your corner, like some faded specimen of maiden antiquity! Its face bears evident marks of beauty decayed, but not obliterated.—It is plain that it has seen its best days, but equally evident is it that it was the pride and ornament of its day—unrivalled among its companions. How many eyes have watched the even-temper of its ways, as it moved on in the never-ending, yet still beginning journey of the hours. Hours! aged years have gone by, since that aged monitor of time first started on its course. And they who sat out with it, in the morning of life, whose motions were as active, and whose principles of vitality—if that may be called so—were as strong as they are now, they yet linger in the walks of the village? Can they be seen under the old oak-tree, or at the door of the cottage? I see them not there; yet there stands the old clock, blithely and patiently as ever. The voice and footsteps are silent of those who journeyed up with it to the full period of good old age. A new race has sprung up long and far removed from the other; and as they too watch the progress of the old clock, their hours are fleetly passing by, and time with them will soon be at a close. How impressive then the lessons taught by that old clock, and the simple inscription on its dial plate—"Tempus fugit!"

When the Romans besieged Glumetum.

in Lucania, and the city was reduced to the last extremity, two slaves escaped into the camp of the besiegers. The place was soon afterwards taken by storm and plundered. The two slaves then ran to the house of their mistress, whom they seized with a kind of violence, and carried off.—When they were asked who she was? they answered, she was their mistress, and a most cruel mistress, upon whom they were going to take revenge for all the barbarous treatment they had suffered from her. In this way they compelled her to quit the city, and conveyed her to a safe retreat, where they concealed her with great care; and when the fury of the soldiers was abated, and tranquillity was restored in the city, they brought her back to her house, and obeyed her as before. She gave them their liberty, which was the greatest reward in her power to bestow; but certainly far short of the services they rendered her.

Deaf Marriage.

On Tuesday last, the marriage of the dwarf exhibiting in this town, Don Santiago de los Santos, to Ann Hipkins, whose parents reside in Livery street, took place at St. Martin's church. The Don is 48 years of age, and about 25 inches high; and Miss Hipkins is 58 years of age, and about 10 inches high. The Rev. Mr. Foye performed the marriage ceremony, and the High Bailiff had the honor of giving the lady away. The bride and bridegroom were brought to the church in a sedan; and, as might be expected, an immense crowd of people assembled, which it was found impossible to control without the aid of the police.—[Birmingham Advertiser.

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in Lucania, and the city was reduced to the last extremity, two slaves escaped into the camp of the besiegers. The place was soon afterwards taken by storm and plundered. The two slaves then ran to the house of their mistress, whom they seized with a kind of violence, and carried off.—When they were asked who she was? they answered, she was their mistress, and a most cruel mistress, upon whom they were going to take revenge for all the barbarous treatment they had suffered from her. In this way they compelled her to quit the city, and conveyed her to a safe retreat, where they concealed her with great care; and when the fury of the soldiers was abated, and tranquillity was restored in the city, they brought her back to her house, and obeyed her as before. She gave them their liberty, which was the greatest reward in her power to bestow; but certainly far short of the services they rendered her.

Deaf Marriage.

On Tuesday last, the marriage of the dwarf exhibiting in this town, Don Santiago de los Santos, to Ann Hipkins, whose parents reside in Livery street, took place at St. Martin's church. The Don is 48 years of age, and about 25 inches high; and Miss Hipkins is 58 years of age, and about 10 inches high. The Rev. Mr. Foye performed the marriage ceremony, and the High Bailiff had the honor of giving the lady away. The bride and bridegroom were brought to the church in a sedan; and, as might be expected, an immense crowd of people assembled, which it was found impossible to control without the aid of the police.—[Birmingham Advertiser.

Marriage enlarges the scene of happiness or misery.

The marriage of interest easy, and a marriage where both meet happy.

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CHARLESTOWN, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1834.

INSTRUCTIONS.

The Van Buren party in Frederick county got up a meeting of something less than 100 persons, on the 1st instant, at Winchester. W. H. WOOD, Esq. was chairman, and EMAN W. ROBINSON Secretary.

FESTIVAL IN BERKELEY.

A Barbecue was given at Mr. Seibert's spring in Berkeley, on the 22d ultimo, by a number of those who style themselves "Democrats," with a view to an interference of sentiment, and to ascertain the public feeling of the Congressional district.

THE RICHMOND ENQUIRER IS MUCH CLATED AT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HAVING BEEN CONVERTED TO ITS PARTY.

The first, we believe, of any note, for a long time; Judge BRIDGES, of Pittsburg. The public, adopting much less affection than Mr. Hittell, might say "He may be a very great man in his own neighborhood, but we have not the honor of knowing any thing about him."

MISSOURI.—THE WESTERN (MISSOURI) MONITOR STATES THAT ALL THE MEMBERS OF ASSEMBLY, EXCEPT ONE, ELECTED IN THE UPPER PART OF THE STATE, ARE ANTI-VAN BUREN.

The St. Louis Republican says, if this be so, it will give a decided anti-Van Buren majority in the General Assembly, and of course, an opposition Senator in the place of Mr. Linn, whose term of appointment expired with the last session of Congress.

THE PRESIDENT.—THE LOUISVILLE PUBLIC ADVISER, OF AUG. 27TH, SAYS THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS DECLINED VISITING FRANCE IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE DELAYS HE EXPERIENCED IN REACHING THE HERMITAGE.

MARRIED.

On Thursday last, by the Rev. W. C. Matthews, Mr. JOHN W. DORRIS, of this county, to Miss ESTELLE STEWART, of Martinsburg.

WINCHESTER ACADEMY.

This institution is again open for the reception of students upon an enlarged scale of instruction. It is the request of the friends of literature and science.—The course of instruction will be directed by the united superintendence of Mr. BRUCE, and Mr. CLARK, former for many years sole principal of the Academy, the latter, late principal of a collegiate school in the City of New York, together with such additional instructions as may be necessary, which will ensure to the pupils the highest degree of advantage in the Union, or fit them directly for obtaining stations of honor and usefulness.

TRAVELING.

We had the pleasure a few days since, of seeing travel one of the locomotives, engines on the Baltimore and Ohio Rail-way. It performed its office admirably, and appeared to be under the most perfect control of the engineer.

YOUNG LADIES SEMINARY.

In consequence of the urgent solicitations of many of his former friends and patrons, the subscriber has determined to open a Seminary for Young Ladies, in Charlottesville, on the 15th day of September next.

FINE HORSES.

Will be exhibited, for sale, on the Jefferson Jockey Club course, on the 24th instant, a SULKY and HORSE; also, a first-rate RIDING HORSE, and a well-bred BATTLE MARE, in foal by a Canadian horse.

DEED.

On Monday morning last, in the 7th year of her age, MRS. ELIZABETH GRAMER, widow of Mr. Andrew Gramer of this county.

LIBRARY NOTICE.

The present deranged condition of the Charleston Library, demands that something should be speedily done with it. The old President and Board of Directors consider their responsibility as an end, and it is therefore incumbent that a new election should take place.

Dr. Henry Washington.

HAVING rented of Mr. Haynes, the house lately occupied by Mr. James Elwell, offers his professional services to the inhabitants of the neighborhood.

Attention, Carpenters.

GOOD journeymen Carpenters, of steady habits, will receive liberal wages by immediate application to JOSIAH W. WARE, near Battlement, Frederick County, Va.

A Great Wheat Race.

OVER the Jefferson Jockey Club course, will take place on Saturday the 20th of September, 1834.—Entrance 200 bushels of wheat, to be sown on the 10th of August.

Public Sale.

THE subscriber, intending to remove to the West, will offer at Public Sale, at his residence, near Leesport, on Monday the 22d inst. the following property, viz: One Mare and foal, one Colt rising 3 years old, 3 Milch Cows, 25 head of Hogs, 9 Looms and Gears, one ten-plate Stove, with a variety of Household and Kitchen Furniture, two ledgious mentions.

Jefferson Land for Sale.

By virtue of a deed of trust, executed to the subscriber by Henson Elliott and wife of the county of Loudoun, Virginia, and duly recorded in the clerk's office of the county of Jefferson, for certain purposes therein expressed, the subscriber has been authorized to sell the premises described in the said deed, containing Three Hundred and more or less, 1 shall only convey such title as is vested in me by the said deed of trust aforesaid.

Jefferson Land for Sale.

By virtue of a deed of trust, executed to the subscriber by John Hinkert and wife, and recorded in the clerk's office of Jefferson county, at Charlottesville, on Monday the 20th day of October next, 1834, that being the 10th day of October next, 1834, and being in the county of Jefferson, and named in said deed, containing Three Hundred and more or less, 1 shall only convey such title as is vested in me by the said deed of trust aforesaid.

Stray Horse.

PURSUANT to a warrant, to be directed to the Sheriff of this county, to show to and find the same to be a horse with a star and blind spot on the forehead—a white spot on the outside of the left hind foot—seen by me, and broken and split. He is a light bay, and about five and a half years old, and supposed to be about ten years old, and worth \$200.

To the Public.

A REPORT that, by some means, gotten into circulation, that it is not my intention to remove to the West, and that the sale I have advertised to take place on the 18th of September next, is given up, and that I view to get rid of such surplus stock and property as I may have to spare, or can dispose of to advantage. It has also been stated, that my father will probably attend the sale, and buy in all the property that does not go off at a high price.

Stray Cows.

STRAYED away from the subscriber, living at Harpers-Ferry, on the 10th inst. two fresh MILCH COWS, one is a brindle, with large horns—about 7 or 8 years old; the other is a black and white, with small horns—about 3 years old. A liberal reward will be given to any one who will give information of said cows, either at the Free Press office or with the subscriber.

Valuable Jefferson Land FOR SALE.

THE undersigned will sell his undivided interest in the beautiful estate in Jefferson county, called MRS. GREE'S. The value of this property is so well known, that a description is unnecessary here. A bargain will be given.

Public Sale.

WILL be sold, on Friday the 12th day of September next, on a credit of six months on all sums above five dollars, all my Real and Personal Property, consisting of 47 Acres of LAND on which I now reside, and 100 Acres in Morgan County; Horses, Cattle, and Hogs, Farming Implements of every kind, together with all my Household and Kitchen Furniture.

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