

MISCELLANEOUS.

From the Literary Gazette. THE INDIAN FLOWER.

The shadows of twilight
Steal over the sky,
And the star of the evening
Has risen on high.

The sweet breathing flowers
Are seeking repose,
And the dew drops moisten
Their leaves as they close.

The fragrance they scatter'd
Around them all day,
In the chill of the night-breeze
Has melted away.

Like the friends of life's sunshine,
Whose falsehood is found,
When the cloud of affliction
Is gathering around.

But one is still left us
Now waking alone,
Whose perfume is richer
Than all that are gone.

It rises from slumber,
Its sweetness to shed,
When each child of day-light
Is drooping its head.

So, when false friends forsake us,
There still are some hearts
Who cling to us closer
As pleasure departs.

Their smile can illumine
Our dark'nd path yet,
Though the Sun of our fortunes
For ever is set.

STANZAS.

Where's the man who seeks for
Fame?
Haste! the laurel give him—
Unfold the scroll and write his name,
Tis all the grave will leave him.

Where is he who seeks for *Gold?*
Give! let nought annoy it—
When a few brief days are told,
No more can he enjoy it.

Where's the bosom swell'd with
Pride?
Spare! I would not wound it—
For death will twine, at eventide,
His mean scant garment round it.

Where's the heart on *Pleasure* bent?
Pour!—a double measure—
Health, and life, to-morrow spent,
Gone will be the treasure.

Where's the soul that looks *above*
Pleasure, gold and glory—
Such as earthly passions move—
Such as live in story?

Take each cup of joy away—
To others fill'd and given—
Oh! what are all these baubles? say,
To him whose *home is heaven!*

JOHN RANDOLPH.

Extract of a letter to the Editor of
the Philadelphia Franklin Ga-
zette, dated Washington, May 7.

"The engrossed bill to authorise the creation of a stock, to an amount not exceeding five millions of dollars, to provide for the awards of the commissioners under the Florida Treaty with Spain, was read a third time and passed. In the debate on it, the house was much diverted by a speech from Mr. Randolph against the banks: in the course of which he described Georgetown, once alive with the cheerful hum of business, now wholly deserted by men of business; not a carriage to be seen; whole squares to be let: a gloomy stillness pervading its chief street from Rocky Creek bridge to the house of his friend Mr. Key. In walking through it lately, he saw nothing in motion but a miserable creature creeping out of a place called a bank, with a book in his hand, no doubt the account of his bank concerns; the record of his insolvency; the most fit spectacle he had ever witnessed for a Hogarth to have painted a representation of misery from. Men get into the direction of banks for the purpose of robbing the stockholders, said Mr. Randolph. This was proved, he said, by the worse than Cerberian bog referred to a committee of which he was an unhappy and distressed member. He had

heard much of unavailable funds, and many more matters of which no distinct idea could be obtained from the language used; it was just as easy to comprehend them as estimate the result of a throw of a box full of dice before it was done.

The word fund; what does it mean? *fundo fusi fusum fundere*—to pour out; but there cannot be any thing poured out when there is nothing in. An unavailable fund is like a bottle of frozen water which can neither be thawed or poured out.

We often hear of gentlemen who have *overdrawn*; very distressed gentlemen, who have *overdrawn*, entitled to commiseration. One man in New-York acknowledges that he had overdrawn to about 30,000 dollars, *very much to his own disadvantage!* The time was when such men in Virginia would only dare to show themselves in the night like bats; but now, you cannot pass from the door of this hall without running against more or less *bank directors* who have overdrawn—*unfortunate men who have overdrawn*, and robbed the stockholders of the money which it was their duty to take care of. Mr. Randolph was very happy in his exposition of the meretricious concurrence, as he called it, of the Treasury with the banks. He did not enter upon the lately developed connexion of the Treasury with the western banks, though he glanced at it frequently. If he were as independent of particular influence as he affects to be sometimes, or if the disclosures of the concurrence between the Treasury and those banks affected a member of the administration whom he did not like, it would present a fine theme for his genius."

WM. H. WINDER.

The Baltimore papers of the 25th ult. announce the death of Gen. Wm. H. Winder. The Baltimore County Court was in session when his death occurred, which was announced by Mr. Wirt, the U. S. Attorney General, in the following impressive manner:

"The Court is aware of the shock, which has been sustained by every heart, in the death of our respected brother Gen. Winder. It is a bereavement, not only to the Bar, where he found in every member a brother, not merely by profession, but a brother by love; but to the whole society of which he was so justly a universal favorite, and of the state, of which he was so bright an ornament. It is the second visitation of Providence, which we have experienced during the present term, and in both instances attended by circumstances of such distress—that it is utterly impossible to look that way without anguish too deep for utterance. This consolation is only left to us, that death seems to have selected his victims with reference to their peculiar fitness for a better and a happier world: two spirits more pure have never winged their flight from this scene of sorrow and suffering. We are aware of the importance of the time of the Court to the public. But, I am sure that I should dishonor the sensibility of the Court, not less than the Bar, by supposing them capable of proceeding to business, with the equanimity which is essential to its just execution. How would it be possible to proceed, without feeling at every step, the absence of the valued brother, who has just left us; whom we were wont to see and hear in almost every cause, and

whose warm and generous character was our chief support and solace, amidst the toils of our laborious profession. Something is due to humanity; much is due to the honored dead, who has not left his superior behind him, in all that is ennobling and attaching in the human character. How is it possible to do otherwise, than to love the man who had so much love for others."

Convention with Great Britain.—It is not often that our readers have an opportunity to obtain such an insight into the Executive proceedings of the Senate, as, by the removal of the injunction of secrecy from the Proceedings on the Convention with Great Britain, respecting the further suppression of the African Slave Trade, we are enabled to afford them. After a great deal of debate, the Convention was finally ratified, on the evening of the 21st. (ult.) by only three votes more than a constitutional majority. It is true, the vote stood 29 to 13 in favor of the Treaty; but the Constitution requires the votes of two-thirds of all the members present to ratify a Treaty, and had there been two votes more against the ratification, the Convention, even qualified as it was by amendment, would have been rejected.—*Nat. Int.*

Internal Improvement.—The first object of Internal Improvement, to which, under the beneficent act of the last session the attention of the Executive has been directed, is, we understand, a survey of the proposed Route of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, to its termination on the western waters, and thence to Lake Erie. We congratulate our readers that this highly important preliminary work is about to be undertaken, by a Board of Surveyors, whose capacity and experience afford the promise of almost mathematical accuracy to the results of their labors. Gen. Bernard, we believe, is at the head of the commission. Capt. Poussin will accompany him. Mr. Shriver, who has so much practical knowledge of the subject, is also engaged, and has gone on to Uniontown, to make the necessary arrangements for laborers, &c. for carrying on the survey. Col. M'Ree, and Mr. Wright, of New-York, have been invited to form a part of the Board, which, it is understood, will commence operations next week. We have not heard whether they will accept the invitation, but will, as soon as we can, furnish our readers with the authentic particulars of this first essay towards the encouragement, by the General Government, of great national works of Internal Improvement.—*ib.*

Internal Improvement.—If there be a man among us who wants evidence of the irrepresible force of a great and a FREE PEOPLE, he has but to step to our docks, and he will have it to his heart's content. He will there have a specimen of the physical power and moral force of such a people. He will there see vessels laden with the riches of the west, that sail from hamlets and villages, that but a few short years were not in existence. He will there see vessels that have ploughed their way through an artificial river of more than two hundred miles, its waters kissing the verdant banks of cultivated fields that but a little time since were trod only by beasts of prey, and the savage of the forest. He

will see the hardy yeomen of the north and the west, competing in market with produce that has hitherto wasted on their hands, or been sold at a loss, for want of consumers. He will there see vessels loading with goods that have come from afar, and "beyond the sea," that are destined to pass through the vales and to climb the hills of New-York to see a market, at our inland cities in embryo, and on the shores of our inland seas; creating industry, dispensing wealth, peace and happiness, wherever they go, and daily adding strength to this nation and glory to the world. He will see that which will convince the credulous, of the inexhaustible resources of our state, and the boundless enterprise of our citizens; and, above all, he will see that which will make him proud of being an American; and amid the noise and bustle which surrounds him, if he have a heart to feel, he will ejaculate thanks to heaven that he is a CITIZEN OF NEW-YORK.—*Albany Adv.*

Duelling.—A duel took place in London, a short time since, between two gentlemen, one of whom was a *clergyman*, in which shots were exchanged without any material injury. The origin of this dispute was a love affair.

Dr. JOHN BANKS,

HAVING located himself at WELDON, offers his professional services to the inhabitants of the counties of Halifax and Northampton, generally.
May 28, 1824. 10-5t

Hyde Park Academy.

AN Examination of the Students at Hyde Park Academy, will commence on Monday, the 14th of June, and will probably continue for three days. The exercises on each day will comprehend Declaration, or Public Speaking, Parents and Guardians in particular, and Gentlemen who may feel an interest in Exhibitions of this kind, are respectfully invited to attend.
W. E. Webb.

Students will not be permitted to leave the Academy, until the close of the Examination.
May 20, 1824. 9-4t

New Line of Stages,

Between Petersburg, Belfield, Halifax, and Tarboro', connecting with the Fayetteville and Norfolk route.

THE Subscriber has contracted with the *General Post-Office* to carry the mail from Petersburg to Tarboro', twice a week, in a light, substantial, two horse Stage. Nothing shall be wanting on his part, to render the travelling on this route both expeditious and comfortable. Passengers arriving from Fayetteville, Georgia, &c. at Tarboro' to breakfast, Tuesdays and Saturdays, in Latimore's Line, will breakfast in Petersburg the next morning, (110 miles) where they can take Porter & Niblo's daily accommodation Stage to Richmond, or spend a few hours in Petersburg, and take their mail Stage to Richmond, after dinner, or take the steamboat to Baltimore, or Washington City, via Norfolk.—The Subscriber does not believe he goes much out of the way to say, that the road from Fayetteville, by Tarboro' and Halifax, to Petersburg, is a BOLLING GREEN.

This line will be in operation on Tuesday, the 18th inst. The Stage will leave Petersburg Tuesdays and Fridays, at 4 o'clock, A. M. and arrive at Tarboro' next day by 3 P. M. Leave Tarboro' Tuesdays and Saturdays, 8 o'clock, A. M. and arrive at Petersburg the next morning to breakfast.

Rates of Fare.

From Petersburg to Tarboro', 110 miles, \$9 00.

Thomas Shore.

Baggage at the risk of the owners.
May 14, 1824. 9-4t

FISH & MOLASSES.

RECEIVED on consignment, 150 bbls prime cut HERRINGS, 20 bbls SHAD, and 10 hhd's MOLASSES, for sale by
J. S. Alsobrook.
June 1, 1824. 11-3t

J. & J. W. SIMMONS,

HAVE just received, and offer for sale, 250 bbls Cut HERRINGS, 25 do. Roe do. and 20 bbls Family SHAD, all of which will be warranted and sold on reasonable terms. The great inconvenience that one of this firm has experienced, by selling articles consigned to him on a credit, will in future compel us to sell for CASH only. It is therefore hoped, that all orders will be accompanied with the cash.
Halifax, May 10, 1824. 8-tf

NOTICE.

THE Subscribers have recently associated themselves in business, under the firm of

JAMES & JOHN W. SIMMONS,

And have just received a handsome assortment of Dry-Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Cutlery, Shoes, &c. &c. All of which will be sold at very moderate prices for Cash, or on a credit to punctual customers.

James Simmons,
John W. Simmons.
Halifax, May 10, 1824. 8-tf

NOTICE.

HAVING qualified, at Halifax February session, 1824, as Executor to the last will and testament of the late JOHN WILKES, deceased, this is hereby to notify all persons who have any claims or demands against the estate of the said John Wilkes, that they present them duly authenticated for payment, within the time prescribed by law, otherwise this notice will be plead in barr of their recovery. Those who are indebted will make payment without delay, as the estate will not admit of indulgence.

Henry Wilkes,
Ex'r of John Wilkes, dec'd.

Halifax, 30th April, 1824.—7tf

LANDS & NEGROES FOR SALE.

ON the 3d Monday of June, 1824, at the Court-house in Halifax, will be exposed to public sale, pursuant to the last will and testament of the late John Wilkes, all the residue of his estate, both real and personal, consisting of—
Nine likely young NEGROES, mostly fellows and boys.

The TRACT OF LAND and the premises, whereon the said John Wilkes did live, near Roanoke river, adjoining the lands of James C. Johnston and others, lying on Conoconary, and the road leading from Halifax to Pollock's Ferry, said to contain 153 acres, having thereon the necessary improvements for a small family.

One other TRACT, not far off, in the Piney woods, adjoining the lands of Mrs. Fort, and others, and lying on the road from Pollock's Ferry to Tarborough, and is well timbered, said to contain 570 acres. Terms will be made known on the day of sale.

Henry Wilkes,
Ex'r of John Wilkes, dec'd.

Halifax, 30th April, 1824.—7-7t

Lands & Town Property AT PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY virtue of a Deed of Trust, executed by Joseph W. Scott and John Tunis, for the benefit of creditors therein mentioned, we shall offer for sale, at Public Auction, in the town of ROCK-LAND-ING, on Monday, the 28th day of June next, one improved LOT in said town, on which are a Store-house, Dwelling-house, Ice-house, Stables, &c. One LOT in said town, near the river, on which is a large and well-built Ware-house. Also, one other LOT, Ware-house and Store, in said town.

On Tuesday following, at the town of WELDON, several WARE-HOUSES in said town; one hundred and twenty-five acres of LAND, on Chockcot; one wagon, dray, &c. &c.

Terms—6 months—bond and approved security.

G. W. Balch,
E. B. Freeman,
May 20, 1824.—9-5t Trustees.