

**MISCELLANEOUS**

*"You don't exactly suit me."*

A youth to me a wooing came,  
For pity did implore me,  
And hoped I ne'er could slight or blame

The lad that must adore me;  
I liked him much, but hid my plan,  
To see how he'd repute me,  
So, frowning, cried, don't tease,  
young man,  
You don't exactly suit me.

He seem'd amazed, quite vex'd he  
stared,  
Then you'd he'd ne'er deceive me;

Says I, your presence can be spar'd,  
And, therefore, pray sir, leave me;  
To leave you, love, I never can,  
I swear by all your beauty;  
Now pray, says I, don't tease,  
young man,  
You don't exactly suit me.

He star'd, sigh'd—hung down his  
head,  
Which prov'd I'd fairly caught  
him.

Oh! haste to church, my love, he  
said:  
You see to what I'd brought him.  
Dear sir, says I, if that's my fate,  
To wed's a woman's duty,  
Let's fly, or we shall be too late—  
You NOW exactly suit me.

*From the Boston Palladium.*

O tell me not that wine will soothe  
The heart deprest with wo;  
O tell me not that wine will soothe  
Grim Penury's haggard brow.  
For though its wave may beam as  
bright

As evening's brilliant star,  
It cannot gild misfortune's night,  
Or calm the sinner's fear.

O tell me not that beauty's smile  
(That sun of cloudless morn)  
Can black Despair of wo beguile,  
Or blunt affliction's thorn.

For tho' awhile its beams may play  
Where health and pleasure bloom,  
Disease will shroud a pleasing ray,  
It shines not in the tomb.

O tell me not that fame can give  
The canker'd conscience peace;  
O tell me not that fame can live  
When hope and life shall cease;  
For though it points where honor  
bleeds,

And bids the bosom burn,  
Yet as the lightning swift, recedes,  
When time hath grasped his urn.

But tell me that Religion's ray,  
Can light the soul to heaven,  
O tell me *this* can point the way  
To him on quicksands driven,  
And I'll believe; for well I know  
That this alone can save,  
That this can chase the clouds of wo,  
And gild the peasant's grave.  
ALBERT.

*From the London Literary Gazette.*  
**SICILIAN DWARF.**

"Seeing is believing," and upon my conscience, unless I had seen the Sicilian Dwarf with my own eyes, I could not have credited so extraordinary a variety in human nature. This creature is a female, and of the name of *Crachami*; a Sicilian by birth, and now within a few months of being ten years old. But it is impossible to describe the miracle of her appearance, or its effect upon the mind. To see rationality, sportiveness, intelligence, all the faculties of humanity, in a being so inconceivably below the standard at which we have ever witnessed them, so overturns all previous impressions, that, even with the fact before us, we doubt the evidence of our own senses. A tolerable sized doll, acting and speaking, would not astonish us so much; for nature is, in this instance, far more wonderful than art could be. Only imagine a creature about half as large as a new-born infant; perfect in all parts and lineaments, uttering words in a strange unearthly voice, and replying to your questions: imagine, I say, this figure of about nineteen inches in height and five pounds in weight—and you have some idea of this extraordinary phenomenon. And the more you look, the more you reflect, the

more incredible it appears that this can be real. But true it is, here is the fairy of your superstition in actual life; here is the pigmy of ancient mythology brought down to your own day. The expression of her countenance varies with whatever affects her mind (for, on my faith, there is a mind and soul in this diminutive frame!) her beautiful tiny hand (for the forefinger of which, the ring of a very small shirt button would be much too wide around) has all the motions and graces which are found in the same member of a lovely woman; she laughs, she threatens, she displays her fondness for finery, she likes her drop of wine, she shows her displeasure, she chooses and rejects; in fine, she is as perfect as a common child of the same age. Her walk is rather tottering, and her voice (as I have said) very remarkable. Her general appearance is not unpleasing, tho' there is a little of the simia in the form of the features; her health is good, and her body, limbs, &c. are complete.

I shall visit her again and again, for she is to me the wonder of wonders. I took her up, caressed and saluted her; and it was most laughable to see her resent the latter freedom, wiping her cheek, and expressing her dislike of the rough chin. But her great antipathy is to Doctors; these have offended her by examining her too minutely, and whenever they are mentioned she doubles her filbert of a fist, and manifests her decided displeasure. Of her trinkets she seems very proud, taking off her ear-rings, with the joyous exclamation of "very pretty," for she has already learnt a little English. But go and see her, or you never can conceive the true meaning of Milton's phrase—  
"Minim of nature."

**Pedestrian feats.**—About a week back a young man named Lloyd, residing in Clerkenwell, happening to hear some persons talking of the feats of Captain Barclay, Moore, West, and other celebrated roadsters, undertook to walk 40 miles in 10 hours *backwards!* The idea was ridiculed as an impossibility; however, on Saturday last two gentlemen came forward, in order to encourage the young man, and staked 30 sovereigns a-side, the pedestrian to receive half the stakes in the event of his accomplishing the task allotted him, which was only 32 miles in eight hours, being 8 miles under his original challenge. At 12 o'clock he started from the Rochester Hunt, on Stroud bridge, Chatham, in presence of an immense assemblage of persons, and arrived at Clerkenwell-green, the point of his destination, within 5 minutes of 8 o'clock, accompanied by about 200 persons huzzing. He appeared much exhausted, but attributes that to anxiety of mind, and the pressure of the crowd, rather than to fatigue of body.—*London paper.*

**Congressional sparring.**—While the tariff bill was under discussion in the House of Representatives, Mr. McLane, in reply to some remarks of Mr. Randolph, observed "that the gentleman from Virginia had displayed a good head; but he would not accept his head if he were obliged to take his heart along with it." When Mr. McLane had finished his speech, Mr. Randolph rose, and among other remarks said, "how easy, sir, would it be for me to reverse the gentleman's proposi-

tion, and to retort upon him that I would not, in return, take that gentleman's heart, however good it may be, if obliged to take such a head into the bargain."

**Extraordinary Freshet.**—A writer in an Indiana paper says: "Last evening, (May 28,) a Dr. Shinn, from Illinois, passed my house about sunset, in a one horse wagon, with his wife and one child, a boy about 4 years old. They went about a quarter of a mile, and encamped for the night on the banks of the dry fork of Indian Kentucky. About 12, Mr. Shinn found the water about two feet deep around his wagon; and, by the time he could loose his horse, and get his wife and child on it, the water was swimming to him and they were washed off and drowned. Mr. Shinn swam and floated until he struck the mill opposite my house, where he remained until day light, when with much difficulty we got him to my house, naked except a shirt, they not having time to put on their clothes. The flood was indescribable. It is supposed to have risen eight feet in twenty minutes.

**Diligence.**—An indolent, inactive young person, who has not been furnished by fortune with independence, is a character held in little estimation, however bright his intellectual capacity, however congenial his natural disposition. Exertion is a virtue, and business is so much the duty of us all, that he who expects to be esteemed among respectable citizens, must be not only willing, but must actually take his part in the cares of acquisition, at least so far as to procure to himself the essentials of life. In so doing, he merits the good wishes of his cotemporaries, and insures their assistance.

**LANDS FOR SALE.**

THE Subscriber being desirous to sell his LANDS, both in Halifax and Northampton counties, he is induced to offer them at a moderate price. Persons wishing to purchase will do well to make it known immediately.

*Dixie C. Fenner.*  
Halifax, June 23, 1824. 14-tf

**Mrs. SNEDER,**

HAS the pleasure of informing the inhabitants of Halifax and the adjoining counties, that she has opened a fashionable assortment of MILLINERY, in the house opposite Messrs. J. Halliday & Co.'s store—consisting of Leghorn and Straw Bonnets, of the newest patterns—artificial flowers, wreaths, and bunches—gimps, black, white, and colored—curls, caps, turbans, &c. &c.  
*Mantua-making done in the most fashionable style.*  
Halifax, June 9, 1824. 12-4f

**Drs G. T. & R. Kennou,**

HAVING located themselves in this place, offer their professional services to the citizens of Halifax and the adjacent country.  
Halifax, June 6, 1824. 12-3f

**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

**CONFECTIONARY.**

THE Subscriber takes this method of informing his friends and the public generally, that he has just returned from Richmond, with a complete assortment of CONFECTIONARY, and other desirable luxuries, which he will sell on reasonable terms for cash.

Candies, assorted—Almonds, Raisins, English walnuts, filberts, Oranges and lemons, Preserved ginger, capers, olives, Tamarinds, brandy fruit, Anchovies and smoked herrings, A few mantle ornaments, Port and Claret wines, cordials, Porter, ale and cider, Stoughton's and spice bitters, Butter and water crackers, Venison hams and cheese, Bologna sausage, Mead, soda water and powders, Best Spanish segars, Cologne water and essences, Macassar oil, and toys, India rubber, sun glasses, Liquid blacking, playing cards, Punch, lemonade, and all other refreshments provided at the shortest notice. I have also a few of those musical instruments, the HARMONICUS, so justly celebrated for their sweetness of musical tone and cheapness, being an introduction to the piano.

For sale as above, a neatly finished RIFLE.  
*Christopher Clack,*  
Nearly opposite the Court-house.  
Halifax, July 1, 1824. 15-2

**Information Wanted.**

NOTICE is hereby given to a certain JOYCE HUGHES, (if living,) daughter of Hudson Hughes, deceased, who was brother to Owen Hughes, (late of North-Carolina, deceased,) except the youngest of said Edward's children, who has been supplied, that on application to the Subscriber, living in Oley township, county aforesaid, they will hear of something to their advantage, on producing unquestionable evidence of the legality of their respective claims.  
*Samuel Lee,*  
Surviving executor of Owen Hughes deceased.  
June, 1824.

**LIST OF LETTERS**

Remaining in the Post-Office in Halifax, the 1st day of July, which, if not taken out by the 1st of October next, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

Anderson George	Jones Jenny
Alston W W	Kerr John
Burgess Thomas	Lewis Elizabeth
Bradley James R 2	Lewis Leml
Bynum Jesse A	Lewis Edward
Brown Elizabeth	Monk Sarah
Bishop William	Magee John
Boxly Tabitha	Martin Thomas
Brown Robert W	Medlin Martha
Bird Anthony	Morcock Edward
Benford John A	Purnell M T
Burt Priscilla	Pettway M H
Cobb Thomas W	Powell George
Crowley Lemuel	Pollock George 2
Clack Christo. S	Powell Daniel
Davis Edward	Read Martha
Drumgold & Pier-son	Ragsdale Benj F
P M Daniel's Tavern	Roberts Mary E
Eaton Benj C 2	Sledge Henry
Freeman E B 2	Smith Jas N R
Ferguson Wm	Spires Nancy
Greer Archib'd B	Simons Marthew
Guion E P	Smith James
Hill Whitnell I	Spooner Abner
Herten Thomas	Sledge Lemuel
Harris Warren	Sporkeman Wm
Hoekida William	Show John
Huffman John	Sprewell Samuel
Harris Sylvester	Sumerville John
Hawkins Wiatt	Thorp Benjamin
Irvin & Dunns 2	Thrower John
Isbell P B	Winbore Henry
Ivey Robert	Williams Turner
James Benjamin	Wilkes Henry
Jones John	Weld The'dore D
Johnston Will	Warren Thomas
	Wyche A A
	Yellowley Char'n

*JAMES SIMMONS, P. M.*  
July, 1824—33

**Ten Dollars Reward.**

STRAYED, or stolen, from the Subscriber, about six or seven weeks ago, a **SORREL MARE**, supposed to be about five or six years of age, with a long neck, switch tail, and a split in the hoof of one of her fore feet, and having marks of plough gear about her when missing. Any person delivering the said mare to me at Halifax, or giving me information so that I get her again, shall receive the above reward.

*R. A. Jones.*  
Halifax, June 16. 13-4

**FISH & OIL.**

THE Subscribers have just received on consignment, in addition to their former stock twenty barrels Mess SHAD, of a superior quality; also a fresh supply of Roe and Cut HERRINGS, some in half barrels; and about three dozen bottles CASTOR OIL, which will be sold low for Cash.

*J. & J. W. Simmons.*  
Halifax, June 10, 1824.

**Postponed Sale.**

**LANDS & NEGROES FOR SALE.**

ON the 3d Monday of July, 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 208 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 723 acres.  
Terms will be made known on the day of sale.

*Henry Wilkes,*  
Ex'r of John Wilkes, dec'd.  
Halifax, 24th June, 1824.

**State of North-Carolina,**

Northampton County,  
*Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—June Term, 1824.*  
Henry Gee and others, } Petition for  
to } partition of  
The Court. } lands.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the heirs of Mrs. — (who are unknown to this Court,) reside without the limits of this State: It is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Free Press, printed in the town of Halifax, for six weeks successively, that unless the said heirs appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to be held for the county of Northampton, at the Court-house in said county, on the first Monday of September next, and plead, answer or demur, the same will be taken pro confesso, and heard exparte.  
Witness, *John W. Harrison,*  
Clerk of our said Court, at office, the first Monday of June, A. D. 1824, and in the 48th year of the independence of said State.

*J. W. Harrison, C. C. C.*  
Issued 11th June—Price adv. \$3.50.

**State of North-Carolina,**

Northampton County,  
*Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions—June Term, 1824.*  
Robert G. Parham, } An attachment  
vs. } levied on land  
John A. Robinson, } & negro George  
Exec'r of Wil- } belonging to the  
liam Robinson, } estate of Wm.  
deceased. } Robinson, dec'd.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the defendant is not an inhabitant of this State: It is therefore ordered and decreed by the Court, that publication be made in the Free Press, printed in the town of Halifax, for three months successively, that unless the defendant, John A. Robinson, Exec'r, &c. appear at the next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the county of Northampton, at the Court-house in said county, on the first Monday of September next, and replevy the property so attached and plead to issue, judgment final will be entered against him.  
Witness, *John W. Harrison,*  
Clerk of our said Court, at office, the first Monday of June, A. D. 1824, and in the 48th year of the independence of said State.

*J. W. Harrison, C. C. C.*  
Issued 11th June—14—Price adv. \$7

**Printing neatly executed**  
AT THIS OFFICE.