

MISCELLANEOUS

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SUMMER.

The summer morn presents itself to view, The scorching sun retracts the nightly dew; The small birds sing within the thorny broke, And lively wild ducks swim around the lake. The forest trees look not so green and gay, In burning summer as in middle May; But golden fruit more glorious does appear, To mortal eye than aught else in the year. Ye gentle showers descend that crops may grow, And make the planter's corn-crib overflow; Send forth good cotton the product of our soil, Man's chief dependence and his greatest toil. The innocent lamb is often brought, To shed its blood that's dearly bought, To pleasure man, corrupt and savage, Who like a wolf the mountains ravage. 'Mong pastures green, where sheep do rove, O'er mount, through mead, in harmless drove, I would devote the balance of my days, To muse, and listen to the shepherds lays. Descend, my muse, and teach me how to sing The praise of God, 'till woods and valleys ring; Give me a portion of thy precious store, And I will be thy slave for evermore. TRAVELLER.

CURIOUS SUICIDE.

A short time since a poor man a native of Ireland, having had a quarrel with his wife, threw himself into the river and was drowned. The following curious account of his death written by himself was found in his apartments: "As I know the people that will find my carcass is curious about the cause of my death, which is sometimes out of the way, I'll give them all the satisfaction in my power about it, as I know the whole matter from beginning to end, the more my misfortune in marrying a bad wife that was never pleased but when she was angry with me, and scolded me out my life. "It may be reported, as the world is liable to lying, that I died by accident—but that is a mistake, for I threw myself in the water and so killed myself & as the little that's left of my substance is not much I hope there will be no quarreling about it. I give all the money that may be found in my breeches pocket to Betty M'Kenzie. My wife said that I had unlawful doings with her, but that's a lie of her own invention, and if I was alive I would say it to her face. As for my wife she must provide for herself as I mean in future to give her nothing. I had enough to do to maintain her during my life, and I am shure I'll not trouble my head about her now I am dead. I forgive all the world except my wife—but I don't know rightly where I shall go, but I am very easy about it, as I got absolution slyly to day, without the Priest knowing what I had in my head. "I bore an indifferent good character while I was alive, and would have knocked the biggest man down that dared say a word against it; but now I am dead they may say what they please, but the devil reward

them for their pains. I die in charity with every body except my wife, and wish well to every body who had a regard to me, and don't care a quid of tobacco where they bury me. I was divided between hanging and drowning, at last resolved upon the way I have taken as I thought it was not so vulgar as the other, for they hang thieves hereticks and murderers but never drown them. So I depart this life in the thirty eighth year of my age without wincing grumbling or whining—but like a man—of my free notion and choice, being at all times a good christian, with full assurance of going to heaven where I shall laugh at my wife & the devil." London paper.

Indian Negotiations.—It will be gratifying to the public to learn that the object of the late mission to the Cherokee Indians has been accomplished. A treaty has been concluded which only waits the sanction of the legislature to go into operation. The contract embraces thirty eight reservations held by Cherokees under the treaties of 1817 & '19, and will put at rest the disputed title to lands which the state had sold for about 25,000 dollars. In addition, the state obtains about fifteen thousand acres superior quality. The lands are to be paid for at Franklin in Haywood county, the first Monday in May next. The thirty-eight claims were all which appeared legal, although a few Cherokees appear to have rights in equity. Fayetteville Obs.

Convention of St. Petersburg.—The Board under this Convention, on Saturday the 11th inst. unanimously agreed upon and fixed the following averages to be allowed as compensation for each and every slave for whom indemnification may be due under the said Convention, viz: For all slaves taken from the State of Louisiana, Five Hundred and Eighty Dollars. For all those taken from the States of Alabama, Georgia, and South Carolina, Three Hundred and Ninety Dollars. For all those taken from Maryland, Virginia, and all other States not named as above, Two Hundred and Eighty Dollars. The Board then adjourned till Wednesday the 8th December next, when, if the Definitive List shall, in the mean time, be received, they will proceed to an examination of the claims which may be in a state of preparation for hearing.

Bible Society.—The Duke of York has issued a general order that the officers of the British army should no longer distribute Bibles, or collect subscriptions for Bible Societies.

Masonic.—A private letter from Madrid, dated 16th July, states that a decree will shortly be issued, setting forth that all persons who have belonged to Masonic lodges, will be required to give up to the police, with a delay of 30 days, their diplomas and other papers and documents relating to the lodges; and that upon having fulfilled this condition, they will be comprehended in the act of amnesty. Those who refuse to comply, will have a month allowed them to quit the kingdom. Upon the expiration of this delay, all persons suspected of being masons, and at whose houses papers to be found, will be hung within 24 hours.

NOTICE.

THE co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm of ANDERSON, LOUDON & CO. having expired by limitation on the 9th day of July last, all persons concerned will take notice thereof, both those having claims against the firm, and those indebted to the same, as no indulgence can be given.

Geo. Anderson, Robert Loudon, Henry Mason.

Halifax, Sept. 12, 1824. 26-3t

DR. H. HARDY,

HAVING removed his office to Halifax, offers his services to the people, and hopes to receive a part of their patronage: He has taken the house formerly occupied by Dr. Marrast, next door below the Farmer's Hotel, and opposite the Bank. He promises fidelity, promptitude and moderation, in the practice of the profession. He has on hand and intends keeping, a general

Assortment of Medicines,

Which he will sell at reduced prices for Cash, or on a short credit. Among them are the following:

- Nitric acid Tincture iron
Muriatic do Nutgalls
Sulphuric do Ginger
Tartaric do Mace
Citric do Balsam tolu
Vitreol ether — copaiva
Alcohol — peru
Antimonial wine Ergot
Sugar lead Gum ammonia
Muriate ammo'a — arabic
Allum — myrrh
Tartar emetic — gamboge
Antimony — scammony
Angustura — kino
Arrow root Digitalis
Lunar caustic Black hellebore
Calomel London mustard
Jalap Mezerian
Rhubarb Litharge
Assafetida Opodeldoc
Aloes Sweet oil
Spirits nitre — lavender
Camphor British oil
Flour sulphur Barks
Cantharides Sulphate quinine
Cream tartar Croton oil
Elaterium Swaim's panacea
Cascarilla Valerian
Castor oil Verdigris
Blue vitriol Prussiate iron
Cochineal Pink root
Colombo Argemum
Colocynth Laudanum
Soda Quassia
Soda powders Red precipitate
Rockelle powd'rs — Guaiac
— salts Senega
Epsom salts Barley
Glauber do Fowler's solution
Carb. potass — zinc Squills
Pearl ash Sarsaparilla
Calci'd magnesia Stoughton's bit'r's
Carbonic do Tapioca
Senna Sulphate zinc
Manna Hiera picra
Carbon. ammonia Sal martis
— ferri Spirits hartshorn
Castile soap Sulph. potass
Cardamom seed Sago
Cinnamon Oil wormseed
Dovers' powders — aniseed
Nutmegs — cloves
Benzoin — cinnamon
Cloves — juniper
Gentian — peppermint
Colchicum Essence lemon
Liquorice — bergamot
Ipecac: — pep'mint
Elix. vitriol Mercurial oint'nt
— paregoric Sponge, &c.

Halifax, Aug. 18, 1824.

ALSO, NEW,

- Opium Orange peel
Burgundy pitch, Turmeric root
Spts: Turpentine Sal Ateratus
Castor opt Volatile alkali
Cicuta Orris root
Colombo powder Madder root
Chamomile flo'rs Prepared chalk
Carraway seed Copperas
Turlington's bals. Oxyd bismuth
Gum tragacanth Carrella alb:
Salt Petre Cologne water
Gum guaiacum Arsenic
Red Saunders Corrosive sublim.
Spermaceti Prussic acid
Tincture musk Oil amber

September 17.

The increasing demand for Dr. ADAM CLARKE'S COMMENTARY ON THE HOLY SCRIPTURES, Has taken up the first and second editions of this Great Work, as far as it has been pub-

lished, so as to induce the publishers in New York to issue their prospectus for a third edition, that the three may be brought up equal and finished together. The text is taken from the correct copies of the present authorized version—with all the marginal readings; an ample collection of parallel texts; and copious summaries to each chapter. The date of every transaction, through the whole of the OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS, as far as it has been ascertained by the best chronologers, will be marked in the A. M. collated throughout with the Julian Period; and in the A. B. C. and A. D. In this work, the whole of the text has been collated with the Hebrew and Greek originals, and all the ancient versions.—The most difficult words analyzed and explained.—The most important readings in the Hebrew collections of Kinnicott and De Rossi, and in the Greek collections of Mill, Weistein and Griesback, noticed.—The particular customs of the Jews and neighboring nations, so frequently alluded to by the Prophets, Evangelists and Apostles, explained from the best Asiatic Authorities.—The great doctrines of the Law and Gospel of God defined, illustrated and defended; and the whole applied to practical Christianity and vital Godliness. The Doctor's BIBLIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY will forever remain a monument of his vast and varied acquisitions in literature; in the work now offered to the public he has outshone, but not obscured his former exertions in favour of piety and learning.—In his general preface and comments on the text, he has bro't together a great body of facts, gathered from the numerous sources of ancient and modern literature, so that the most learned and scientific reader may reap both instruction and delight, and the most simple and uninformed may acquire a fund of useful knowledge, hitherto concealed, in various volumes of foreign, and consequently to many of all nations, unknown languages.—The work will be printed uniformly with the first and second editions: and will be illustrated with the most correct Maps; and every requisite Plan and Table. The quarto edition is now reduced to one dollar and twenty-five cents per number. The great demand for the work, and to accommodate Subscribers of limited means, the publishers have also commenced the publication of a royal octavo edition, which will come at the reduced price of five Dollars per volume, bound and lettered, or fifty cents a number, if preferred in numbers. Civillians, as well as divines, and others, have read the Doctor's lucid expositions of the jewish polity, and the moral principles of christianity, with no small advantage in the practice of their professions. We believe this is the greatest and best work in our language. The epistle to the Romans can be had separately, either in octavo or duodecimo form, bound and lettered.

Dr. H. HARDY, of Halifax, will receive Subscriptions to either of the editions, and order them to Halifax for Subscribers. He will also receive Subscriptions to the duodecimo edition of Dr. Clarke's translation of Strum's reflections on the Works of God in treatise, for every day in the year—it is an entertaining work. Sept. 17, 1824.

One Hundred Dollars REWARD.

RUNAWAY, or was stolen from the Subscriber, on the night of the 8th instant, a bright mulatto woman (slave) and her child, a girl of about four years old. This woman ran away from the Subscriber, executor of John Hunt, deceased, in the summer of 1808, and passed as a free woman, by the name of PATSEY YOUNG, until about the first of June last, when she was apprehended as a runaway. On the sixth of the same month I obtained possession of her in the town of Halifax, since which time she and her child ELIZA have, in compliance with an order of the county court of Franklin, been sold, when the Subscriber became the purchaser. She spent the greater part of the time she was runaway (say about sixteen years) in the neighborhood of, and in the town of Halifax, one or two summers at Rockland, where I am informed, she cooked for the hands employed to work on the canal; she also spent some of her time in Plymouth, her occupation while there not known. At the above named places she has many acquaintances and friends. She is a tall, spare woman, thin face and lips, long sharp nose, her fore teeth in a state of decay. She is an excellent seamstress, can make gentlemen's and ladies' dresses, is a good cook and weaver, and I am informed is a good cake baker and brewer, &c. by which occupations she principally gained her living. Some time during last summer she married a free man of color, named Achrael Johnson, who had been living in and about Plymouth, and followed boating on the Roanoke. Since his marriage he leased a farm of Mr. James Cotton, of Scotland Neck, (Halifax county) where he was living, together with this woman, when she was taken up as a runaway slave in June last. I have but little doubt that Johnson has contrived to seduce or steal her and child out of my possession, and will attempt to get them out of the state and pass as free persons. Should this be the case, I will give Sixty Five Dollars for his detection and conviction before the proper tribunal in any part of this state. I will give for the apprehension of the woman and child, on their delivery to me, or so secured in jail or otherwise that I get them, Thirty Five Dollars. Or, I will give Twenty Five Dollars for the woman alone, and Ten Dollars for the child alone. The proper name of the woman is Piety, but she will no doubt change it as she did before. I forewarn all owners of boats, captains and owners of vessels from taking on board or carrying away this woman and her child Eliza, under the penalty of the law. NAT. HUNT. August 16, 1824. 23-tf

Fifty Dollars Reward.

FOR negro SHADRACK, who ran away from me in August last, 1823; he is twenty-six years old, five feet six or seven inches high, dark complexion, and has a sulky appearance. He was raised by Mathew C. Whitaker, Esq. deceased, of Halifax county; his parents belong to Henry Mason, Esq. and his wife belongs to the heirs of Benjamin Harris, deceased, and at this time lives with a free colored woman, one mile and a half from Halifax town, on the main road leading from thence to Enfield. I will give the above reward for him delivered to me in Warren county, three miles south of Warrenton, on the stage-road, or confined in Halifax jail so that I get him. All persons are forewarned from hiring or harboring said boy. Rob. Ransom. Greenwood, Aug. 16, 1824. 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