

**MISCELLANEOUS**

FOR THE PRESS.

**AUTUMN.**

Draw nigh the autumnal feast to share,  
Which God by nature doth prepare,  
To man and beast he'll freely give,  
To fowl and fish that they may live.

The cultur'd fields are cloth'd in rich attire  
Of bounteous harvest that the swains admire;  
The bands of faithful reapers glad and gay,  
By dawn appear to toil the live long day.

Be diligent, my lads, the master says,  
The present hours are better than future days,  
Let us improve the time that is our own,  
-And reap the fruits we have already sown.

They work all day with one accord,  
And at night join 'round the social board;  
The talk and jest goes merrily round,  
And the glad virgins sit with looks profound.

The harvest treasures gather'd and secur'd,  
Against the coming winter's storm insur'd,  
They all give vent to festive mirth and joy,  
From age infirm e'en to the strippling boy.

The lib'ral master gives each one a call,  
At night to meet him in his spacious hall;  
By dusk they all attend to join the sport,  
And after tea they to the glass resort.

November's frost cuts off the leaves so green,  
Till nought but naked shrubs and trees are seen;  
The garden's beauteous flow'r-bed fades and dies,  
Till all like death in desolation lies.

The songster of the spring has lost his note,  
And his admirers have his charms forgot,  
They shoot him down as he sits on the tree,  
Likewise they kill the once industrious bee.

Vile man! wilt thou continue thus to storm  
The helpless poor, tis time you should reform;  
Think, grateful think, that God did make them too,  
And ought t' enjoy life's sweets as well as you.

**TRAVELLER.**

**CLERICAL DEVILS.**

A letter from Barcelona, dated the 19th ult. gives the following account of the fatal result of an attempt of the Vicar, Curate, and Sacristan, to play the d—l with a Constitutionalist:—A singular occurrence has taken place in a village called Artes, near Hostalrich, about twelve leagues from Barcelona. A constitutionalist being at the point of death, his brother called on the Curate, and requested of him to come and administer the Sacraments. The Curate refused, saying—'Your brother is a Constitutionalist, that is to say, a villain, an impious wretch; an enemy, to God and man—he is d—d without mercy, and it is therefore useless to confess him!' 'But who told you that my brother was d—d?' 'Who told me?' replied the Curate, 'why God himself!' 'What!' cried the astonished spaniard, 'God has spoken to you!' 'Yes answered the curate, with assurance, 'God spoke to me during the sacrifice of the mass, and told me that your brother was d—d to all the devils.' It was in vain that the brother reiterated his entreaties, the Curate was inexorable. A few days after the Constitutionalist died, and the brother returned to the Curate to beg of

him to perform the funeral ceremony on the body. The Curate refused, saying, 'The soul of your brother is now burning in hell, as I told you before. It would be in vain for me to take any trouble about interring his body for during the night the devils will come and carry it away, and in forty days you yourself, will meet with the same fate.' The spaniard not giving implicit credit to this diabolical visit watched during the night by the body of his brother, with his pistols loaded. Between 12 and 1 o'clock a knock was heard at the door, and a voice exclaimed—I command you to open in the name of the living God; open, if not instant ruin is at hand.' The Spaniard refused to open, and shortly after he saw enter by a window three able bodied devils, covered with skins of wild beasts, having the usual quantity of horns, claws, and spiked tails, who set about carrying the coffin containing the body.—Upon this the Spaniard fired, and shot the devil dead, the others took to flight; he fired after them, and wounded both, one of whom died in a few minutes, the other escaped. In the morning when the people went to church there was no curate to officiate and shortly after discovered, on examining the two defunct devils, that one was the Curate and the other the Vicar, the wounded devil was the Sacristan, who confessed the whole diabolical proceeding. This singular case is now before the criminal tribunal of Barcelona."

**Will of Bonapart.**—The last will of Napoleon Bonapart has just been published, in the form of a pamphlet, in French and English, by Mr. Ridgeway, of London. The following passage appears to possess the chief interest in this very curious document:

**NAPOLEON.**—This 15th of April, 1821, at Longwood, island of St. Helena. This is my testament, or act of my last will:

'I die in the apostolical Roman religion, in the bosom of which I was born more than 50 years since. It is my wish that my ashes may repose on the banks of the Seine, in the midst of the French people, whom I have loved so well. I have always had reason to be pleased with my dearest wife, Marie Louise. I retain for her, to my last moment, the tenderest sentiments; I beseech her to watch, in order to preserve my son from the snares which yet environ his infancy. I recommend to my son never to forget that he was born a French prince, and never to allow himself to become an instrument in the hands of the triumvirs who oppress the nations of Europe; he ought never to fight against France, or to injure her in any manner; he ought to adopt my motto—Every thing for the French people. I die prematurely assassinated by the English oligarchy and its \*\*\*. The English nation will not be slow in avenging me. The two unfortunate results of the invasion of France, when she had still so many resources, are to be attributed to the treason of Mar-mont, Angereau, Talleyrand, and Lafayette. I forgive them; may the posterity of France forgive them like me. I thank my good and most excellent mother, the cardinal, my brothers and sisters, for the interest which they have continued to feel for me. I pardon Louis for the libel which he published in 1820; it is replete with false as-

sertion and falsified documents. I disavow the manuscript of St. Helena, and other works under the title of Maxims, Sayings, &c. which persons have been pleased to publish for the last six years. These are not the rules which have guided my life. I caused the Duke d'Enghien to be arrested and tried, because that step was essential to the safety, interest, and honor of the French people, when the Count d'Artois was maintaining, by his confession, sixty assassins in Paris. Under similar circumstances, I would act in the same way."

The remainder of the will contains a very great number of bequests, too long for insertion.

**Connubial Difficulties.**—William Bennington, of Danville, Kentucky, lately cautioned the public against trusting his wife Tabitha, and charging her with having left his bed and board. Mrs. Tabitha Bennington, after acknowledging the pain it gives her to be engaged in newspaper publications, denies that she left her husband, but charges him flatly with having deserted her, after cruelly beating her with a hickory, and spoiling all her gowns and ruffles; and further that the bed he speaks of belongs to her. As to the caution respecting credit, Tabitha states that no person who knows him would credit him for one cent.

**Italian Women.**—There is an old sarcastical saying concerning the Italian Women, that they are magpies at the door, sirens at the window, saints in the church, and devils in the house.

**Scrupulosity.**—When a man tells you, (says Sterne,) in any particular instance, that such a thing goes against his conscience, always believe he means exactly the same thing as when he tells you such a thing goes against his stomach.

**LIST OF LETTERS**

Remaining in the Post-Office in Halifax, the 1st day of Oct. which, if not taken out by the 1st of January 1825, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

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|---------------------|------------------|
| Alstar Mary H       | Harris Maria     |
| Adams Geo. W        | Hawkes John S    |
| Anderson Tho's      | Heaton O C & Co  |
| Branch Jesse        | Heaton Barber    |
| Bailey Valentine    | Hill Jas N       |
| Bishop Wm.          | Jones Cad 2      |
| Butler John 2       | Johnston Willis  |
| Bryan Joseph        | Ivey David       |
| Blick Robert        | Joyner Andrew    |
| Brent Peter         | Kennon Richard   |
| Bailey Zebidee      | Kerr Mary G      |
| Bishop Jones        | Lewis Elizabeth  |
| Burrowe Stephen     | Long Wm S        |
| Burt Henry H        | Magee Jno        |
| Brown Elizabeth     | Moses Lydia      |
| Bynum Jesse A 3     | Mabry Green G    |
| Clark S S           | Minton Randolph  |
| Collins C S         | Mathews Gilfr'd  |
| Collins Anna        | Pettway M H 3    |
| Clopton Miss        | Pritchett Jephth |
| Corlew Sarah        | Paterson Miss An |
| Collins John        | Powell Daniel    |
| Connelly Tho's      | Pike Wm          |
| Campbell John K     | Perkins Benjamin |
| Curlin John         | Phillips Jones   |
| Clanton Francis     | Read Martin      |
| Collins Elizabeth   | Rowls Randolph   |
| Daniel's Tav. PM    | Read Eunis       |
| Drew Wm. 4          | Smith Thomas M   |
| Dawson Tem'nce      | Scott Eli        |
| Dildo James         | Turner James     |
| Daniel J J          | Thrower Sarah    |
| Drumgold & Pier-son | Tucker George    |
| Daniel Willis       | Vinson Robert    |
| Earley Daniel       | Willis Lewis     |
| Evans Francis       | Wyche M          |
| Freeman E B         | Whitaker Mary    |
| Fenner D C          | Wade Grandison   |
| Green Archibald     | Yellowly Charltn |
| Gea Capt.           | Yarboro Martha   |
|                     | Yarboro Wash'n   |

**JAMES SIMMONS, P. M.**  
October, 1824—91

**Blank Warrants for sale**  
AT THIS OFFICE.

**QUANTICO CANAL**

**LOTTERY.**

FOURTH CLASS SCHEME:

1 prize of \$5,000	is 5,000
5 of 2,000	10,000
6 of 1,000	6,000
6 of 500	3,000
6 of 340	2,040
158 of 50	6,900
690 of 10	6,900
6,072 of 5	30,360

6,924 Prizes, } 17,550 { \$70,200  
10,626 Blanks, } Tickets. }

—\$—

Whole Tickets,	- - -	\$5 00
Half do.	- - -	2 50
Quarter do.	- - -	1 25
Eighth do.	- - -	0 62
Package of 9 whole tickets,		28 00
do. of 9 half do.		14 00
do. of 9 quarter do.		7 00

The former Classes having met with greater encouragement from the Public than was anticipated, the Manager has determined to offer the above Scheme, formed on pure mathematical principles, which when fully examined and well considered, will be found really worthy the attention and patronage of adventurers. The drawing will positively take place on **THURSDAY, the 25th of November next, and be completed in ONE DAY.**

\* \* \* Orders, enclosing the cash or prize tickets in any of the northern Lotteries, for tickets or shares, will meet with prompt attention and the earliest notice given of their fate if addressed to

**WHYTE'S**  
**Virginia Lottery Office,**  
Petersburg, Va.  
Aug. 26. 1824.

**State of North-Carolina,**  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions:  
September Term, 1824.

Wm. Amis's ex- } Judicial attach-  
cc'rs: vs. Boling } ment levied on  
S. B. Barrett— } defendant's land

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the defendant Boling S. B. Barrett so conceals himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served on him: 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 Bolin S. B. Barrett 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 December next, and replevy the property so attached and plead to issue, judgment final will be entered against him, and execution awarded accordingly.

Witness John W. Harrison, clerk of said court, at office the 1st Monday of Sept. 1824, and in the 49th year of our independence.

**J. W. Harrison, C. C. C.**  
Sept. 20, 1824. Price adv. \$3:50.

**State of North-Carolina,**  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions:  
September Term, 1824.

William Oliver vs. Drury Nelson—  
original attachment levied on the defendant's right in Willie Nelson's land.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the defendant Drury Nelson is not an inhabitant of this state: It is therefore ordered by the Court, that publication be made in the Free Press, printed in the town of Halifax, for six weeks successively, that unless the said Drury Nelson 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 December next, and defend said suit, judgment final will be entered against him and execution awarded accordingly.

Witness John W. Harrison, clerk of said court, at office the 1st Monday of Sept. 1824, and in the 49th year of our independence.

**J. W. Harrison, C. C. C.**  
Sept. 20, 1824. 28 Price adv. \$3:50.

**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 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.

**N. T. HUNT.**  
August 16, 1824. 23-tf

**Fifty Dollars Reward.**

**R**AN 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.**

**H**AVING 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.—75