

## Miscellaneous.



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### TO EUKOPHILOS.

"Hold, hold, quoth she: no more of this:  
Sir Knight; you take your aim amiss:  
For you will find it a hard chapter,  
To catch me with poetic rapture."

*Hudibras.*

Hail! great Eukophilos! who soars sublime,  
Above the reach of Minstrels of our time:  
Yes! even those, whose lores are red with  
clay,

Start up, enraptur'd, with thy am'rous lay!  
Hail! mighty Poet! whose song has driven,  
My earthly thoughts, beyond the clouds, to  
heaven!

No doubt but she, whose praises thou hast  
sung,  
Will lisp these words with her "seraphic  
tongue"—

"Can mortal man, endow'd with nature's  
head,  
"Avert the dart, which by Miss C— is  
sped;"

Dear Eukophilos this will kill her dead!

"Rais'd by her look, exalted by her spell,  
"On her sweet charms who could not ever  
dwell?"

Indeed, Eukophilos, I cannot tell!

"Look, traverse creation thro' and thro',  
"In Georgian climes or thro' Bartholomew;  
"Never, oh! ne'er such beauty shall you  
find,  
"Endow'd with such a mien nor such a  
mind."

Ha, ha, ha! this indeed, is something new,  
To find such beauties, in Bartholomew.  
Go on, Acrostic King! write verses more,  
Gingle them at us, 'till our ears are sore.  
Saddle thy Hippogriff—vault upon his back,  
Curb him well, and keep him to the track.  
You soon will rest on fam'd Parnassus' height,  
Where nothing else you'll have to do, than  
write

Of love, of wine, and of Acrostics too;  
And any thing, in fine, you choose to do.  
Then hail! exalted man! Lord of Poets!  
Friend of genius, and the scourge of low-  
wits—

Come forth! come forth! declare thy glori-  
ous name,

And grasp the tribute, due to thy great fame.  
Oh, Carolina! much respected State!  
How bless'd thou art, to have a son so great!  
When thou hast need of one, to wield a pen  
In thy defence, just call him forth again.  
Then once more, O! Eukophilos! once more,  
Thou brightest star of Carolina's shore!  
Catch thy Poet's Filly—girt her saddle—  
(The safest way, is to ride a-straddle)—  
Fly to the Poet's mountain, mind your horse!  
Ye Gods! were she to throw you, what a loss!  
Like Phaeton's tumbling, to the earth from  
heaven,  
Thunders would roar—lightnings flash—and  
even

The sun grow black—the moon turn into  
cheese—

And stars affected, skip about like fleas!  
THALIA.

Washington, N. C. 12 March.

**The Army.**—In the Senate of the U. S. on the 29th ult. a resolution was introduced proposing to abolish the office of Major General of the Army of the U. S. recently vacated by the death of Jacob Brown:

Mr. MACON expressed himself friendly to the object of the resolution; he thought it a bad matter to have too many high offices in time of peace. The exploits in the late war were performed by men in the vigor of life and manhood—he would not, however, reflect on old men, and if we were ever engaged in another war, it would be the same kind of men that would lead our soldiers to victory. There was frequently as much military capacity exhibited by men in private life, as in those who had been long in service. He was led to believe that an army was pretty much like new cider, it must be allowed to ferment and work and throw off its baser qualities, be-

fore it could become clear and fit for use. In the time of danger and trial genius would develop itself; and he would prefer that such appointments should be left for the time of necessity. We now wanted no officer of higher rank than a Brigadier General.

[The resolution was referred to the Military Committee.]

**National Armories.**—We learn by a statement from the War Department, that the expenditures of the Armory at Springfield, during the year 1827, amounted to \$177,463 34, and at Harper's Ferry, to \$195,032 45. Total, \$372,545 79. The whole number of muskets manufactured during the year, was 26,520, of rifles, 1000.

**Earthquake.**—The Raleigh Star says: "On Sunday night last, (9th inst.) between 11 and 12 o'clock, a shock of earthquake was felt in this city; which, though short in its duration, was so violent as to cause a jar of windows and furniture sufficient to awake many of our citizens."

The Petersburg Intelligencer states, that the Northern papers generally speak of an earthquake, which was felt about 11 o'clock, on the evening above stated—and says, "upon enquiry we have been told the shock was likewise slightly experienced here." The Richmond Compiler mentions it, and the Fredericksburg Herald states it to have been distinctly felt there—"the concussion was such, as to cause the window glass in several houses to rattle considerably, and affright some of the inhabitants out of their beds. The Washington City Telegraph speaks of two shocks, each of about 15 seconds continuance—"both shook houses so much as to cause the windows to rattle, as in a high wind." The Georgetown Columbian understands that "a lady in Washington City was thrown from her bed by the violence of the shock." The Baltimore Gazette states two shocks to have been felt about 5 minutes past 11 o'clock, in the vicinity of Baltimore—"the tremulous motion of the earth seemed to come from the westward and pass towards the east, and occasioned a very considerable shaking of doors and other substances, easily agitated; the surrounding atmosphere at the time was hazy."

**Masonry.**—A Convention was held at Le Roy, (N. Y.) on the 19th and 20th ult. of Masons, who are willing to expose to the world the true principles and secret obligations and ceremonies of the upper degrees of speculative Freemasonry, for the purpose of taking measures for their publication.

**Novel Spectacle.**—A man, calling himself Robin Hood, his wife and two children, the eldest aged three years, passed through our streets on Saturday last, (says the Petersburg Intelligencer of the 4th inst.) in a style of travelling entirely new in this part of the country. A small two wheel vehicle, built in the lightest manner, which served as a conveyance for the children, refreshments, &c.

was drawn by the husband, while the wife with an infant in her arms journeyed on foot. His history, as related by himself, is—That he was a soldier in the last war, and engaged in the battle at Baltimore, where he received several severe wounds. He shortly afterwards removed to North-Carolina, in the neighborhood of Newbern, where he has since resided. From thence he sat out in the manner above described, and was so far on his way to Washington City, where, as he stated, he was going for the purpose of obtaining a pension. Be this as it may, the novelty of their travelling equipage, and the destitute condition of this little family, excited the liveliest sympathy of every beholder; and although charity was unasked, yet their general appearance operated as the strongest appeal to the benevolent—and in a short time, by contributions of money and clothing, their necessities were partially relieved, and their situation rendered more comfortable.

**Methodist Conference.**—The Virginia Conference of Methodist Ministers, which met at Raleigh, adjourned on Saturday, 3th inst. after a session of eleven days, being the longest ever held by that body. The actual increase of Members, within the bounds of this Conference, during the past year, is ascertained to be 3395 white persons, and 525 blacks. Twenty-two Ministers were admitted on trial in the travelling connexion.

The next Conference will be held in Lynchburg, Va. to commence Feb. 25, 1829.

**Canada.**—The Montreal Gazette mentions that great numbers of Negroes (probably from Kentucky) have settled in the western part of Upper Canada, where they have introduced the culture of Tobacco, and in six years raised the export from almost nothing to five or six hundred hogsheads.

**Borrowing and Lending.**—In practising this system, it appears that most persons have lost half their memory—they remember every thing they lend, but nothing that they borrow.

## Sports of the Pit.

A MAIN OF COCKS will be fought at Northampton Court-house, North-Carolina, to commence on Wednesday, the 2d of April next, and continue three days.

February, 1828.

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## Notice.

COMMITTED to the Jail of Edgecombe county, N. C. on the 16th of November, 1827, a negro fellow, who says his name is HENRY, that he is the property of Mr. James Okrey or Akrey, and that he was purchased by Mr. Okrey from Mr. Amos Rawls, of Nansemond county, Va. Henry is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches in height, spare built, no marks perceivable. The owner is requested to come forward, prove his property, pay charges and take him away, or he will be dealt with as the law directs.

FRED. BELL, Jailor.

Nov. 1827.

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The Raleigh Star will please insert the above until otherwise directed, and forward the account to this office for collection.

## Painting on Velvet, &c.

MRS. ANDERSON respectfully informs the Ladies of Tarboro' and vicinity, that she will give lessons in

### PAINTING ON VELVET;

Also, Wax and Ornamental Work, Representing flowers, fruits, &c. She will probably continue in this place but a few weeks, and those persons desirous of having their children taught these elegant accomplishments, will perhaps do well to avail themselves of the present opportunity. A perfect knowledge of either of the above branches can be acquired, by ordinary application, in ten days. Both branches will be taught for \$20, or \$10 for either of them. Velvet, Paints, &c. will be furnished at the Petersburg prices.

Tarboro', March 10, 1828. 30

## Notice to Land Buyers.

A VALUABLE TRACT OF LAND for sale, on Swift Creek, lying in Edgecombe and Nash counties, containing by estimation 500 acres, on which is a good spring and very large apple orchard now in its prime, and sufficient to yield 60 or 65 barrels of brandy on an average per year—good houses, and plantation in fine repair for a crop this year, and is large enough to work 10 or 12 hands to great advantage. Those who are disposed to purchase, will make application to me at the residence of the late Robert C. Hilliard, near Dortches' Bridge. A negotiable note in the Tarborough Bank, or one at six months credit with undoubted security, will be required of the purchaser, and possession given immediately. The place is healthy and handsome.

W. H. HILLIARD,

Ex'r of Rob't C. Hilliard, dec'd.

March 10, 1828. 30 3

## Notice.

IN order to relieve our endorsers at Bank from their responsibility, to pay our other debts, and close the partnership between us, we hereby offer for sale the Office and Establishment of the Intelligencer and Petersburg Commercial Advertiser. It is needless to expatiate on the value of this property to a gentleman of talent and capital, capable of conducting the business to advantage. The office is complete and well supplied in every kind of Type and Press that can be required; and the list of Subscribers, and Advertising custom for many years extended to the establishment, will speak for themselves. The Newspaper has at no period been more liberally patronized than at present...it has about 900 good subscribers, the amount of advertising has been fully \$4000 per annum heretofore, with very considerable job-work...so that we may say without exaggeration that the gross income of the establishment has averaged about \$8000 per annum for the last eight years; while the annual expenses of the Printing-Office amount to little more than \$3000. Such being facts (and that we state nothing but the truth, any gentleman by calling upon us can be satisfied,) scarcely any consideration, but the imperious obligations above mentioned, could induce us to part with property so valuable. It will be offered at private sale until the first day of April next; on which day, should it not be disposed of (and due notice will be given of a transfer,) it will be sold publicly on the premises occupied by us on Bank Street, to the highest bidder. The terms will be made known on application; but there is no doubt, should a responsible purchaser present himself, that on paying down a small amount in cash, a reasonable credit for the greater part of the purchase money might be obtained. Gentlemen disposed to avail themselves of this offer, can receive any further information they desire, by addressing Dr. Richard Feild, of Brunswick, Mr. Miles Jordan of Lunenburg, or Mr. James B. Kendall of Petersburg, or the Subscribers.

YANCEY & BURTON.

February 19, 1828.