

Miscellaneous.



FOR THE FREE PRESS.

The Devil's death—doubtful.

'Pon Cokey long since the devil was kill'd,
And the news with joy vast Christendom
fill'd:
The hero with fuscæ so shivered his head,
That prostrate beneath him the devil fell
dead.
But I fear—oh! I fear, deluded was he,
For the devil has since "been foul" of a she;
Something thrice rap'd at the door of the
fair,
She open'd, and lo! the devil stood there.
This she declares 'pon the word of a maid,
(To the word of a lady respect should be
paid;)
She further declares she fainted and fell,
And how long she lay, not knowing can't tell.
At length she "came to," in some little pain,
But she still saw the devil and fainted again;
And she lay as before as tho' she was 'sleep,
The devil it seems strict vigil did keep,
O'er this scared to death one of the fair,
For when she "came to," she still found him
there:
But she fainted no more, she bawl'd and she
shriek'd,
Which so scared the devil he out o' doors
sneak'd;
She followed, he ran and in scaling the wall,
His foot slip'd and he received a sad fall;
He rose and again the wall tried to scale,
But with success the same as before did he
fail.
He the second time fell, and in falling I
s'pose,
"Play'd Nick" with his shins, and alas! broke
his nose.
And this is not all, for the maid all the while,
Threw sticks o' wood at him, which she got
from the pile;
But at length he succeeded in scaling the
wall,
And made his escape,
I believe this is all.

CONJUGAL AFFECTION.

(How sweet to think there still is one
Whose bosom beats for me,
Who closer clings as others shun,
Who'll never, never flee.
The faithful bird that cleaves the air,
Through trackless regions flies;
But still one thought, one hope is there,
To cheer him through the skies.
Affection's chart his pinions guide,
Remembrance leads them light,
While to his mate, his bosom's pride,
He speeds his homeward flight.

New-York, March 25.

Rowland Stephenson.—We stated yesterday that a rule was granted by the Superior Court against J. W. Parkins, to show cause why Rowland Stephenson should not be discharged from custody, and that the question was argued at some length on Monday, and the discussion farther postponed for one day to allow the plaintiff time to procure further affidavits. The Court met yesterday at 11 o'clock, all the Judges being present, when the case came up for final decision. We deem it unnecessary to enter into a full detail of the proceedings, as they related chiefly to points of law, but think it sufficient to give a brief outline of the authorities adduced for and against his discharge. It is proper, however, to state that Mr. Parkins' Counsel produced no further affidavits.

The Counsel for Mr. Stephenson founded their application for his discharge upon the principle of law laid down by Lord Holt, and supported by many subsequent decisions, which they cited, "that if a man is wrongfully brought into a jurisdiction and there lawfully arrested, yet ought he to be discharged; for no lawful thing, founded on a wrongful act, can be supported."

The Court sustained the principles contended for by the defendant's counsel to the full extent, and decided that as he was brought into this jurisdiction *illegally*, he could not be exposed to any arrest whatsoever, and was entitled to the protection of the Court from any subsequent arrest, until a reasonable time had elapsed for his return to the place whence he was abducted.

Chief Justice Jones delivered a very able opinion, which was fully concurred in by his associates, which we hope to have it in our power, ere long, to lay before the public. [Gaz.]

Rowland Stephenson, according to the Journal of Commerce, left this city yesterday afternoon. In relation to the decision of the Superior Court in the case of this individual, a correspondent asks: "whether it is to be understood as the effect of that decision that *Rowland Stephenson* is absolved, by reason of his unlawful abduction, from all responsibility, before the law, for his debts, &c." Certainly not.—The object of the Court was to reinstate him in those rights of which he had been forcibly divested—and reasonable time being allowed for his resuming those rights, and the exercise of his complete free agency, he then becomes liable, like any other debtor, to the control of the law—and may, whenever found, be, upon due application and proof made arrested.

Foot Race.—A match race for \$100 was run on the 14th Feb. in Pittsylvania county, Virginia, by Owen Atkins and John W. Boling, ten miles distance, starting at the store of Messrs. Smith and Morman, and keeping the road nearly in a Northern direction. The greatest anxiety was manifested by the friends of the parties. Boling is a tall, trim looking young man, about 21 years of age, and was the favorite courser, though a few knowing ones, who had been engaged with Atkins (a man about 36 years old) in hunting parties, and who were fully acquainted with his speed and bottom, predicted a quite different result. When the time of starting had nearly arrived, the friends of the parties, who were fearful of disagreeable consequences, endeavored to have the race drawn, to which Atkins showed some degree of willingness, while the other (who before had been quiet) now became restless, and appeared anxious for the word to be given, which was accordingly done. The coursers put off briskly, and were followed by thirty persons on horseback. The first several hundred yards they ran nearly locked; after which Atkins took the lead, and kept it during the whole course, which he, as near as could be ascertained, ran in about *forty minutes!*

Boling, after running about seven miles, gave up the race. Atkins and his party were so far ahead that they could not be overtaken by those that were on horseback, until he had run the ten miles. By the best it is believed that no man in Virginia is able to run ten miles with Atkins. Neither of the parties sustained any injury from the race.—*Virgin.*

Vice and Immorality.—Extract from the Journal of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, Dec. 11, 1828, copied from the "Illinois Republican."

Thursday, Dec. 11.—The bill for 'An act for the prevention of vice and immorality,' was read a second time, when Mr. Jones offered the following amendment to said bill, viz. 'That if any person, on the Sabbath or first day of the week, should attempt to disturb the peace or good order of any congregation or body of people gathered together for the purpose of worshipping Almighty God, by offering to sell pamphlets or books, of any description whatever, or by begging money, or any other thing for the support of Missionary Societies, Bible Societies, or Sunday Schools, shall be fined in any sum not more than fifteen dollars, nor less than five dollars.'

Hard Knock.—A New-York Dutchman tells a story of his striking a man with his fist in a bar-room. The blow was so tremendous that the man who was struck disappeared in an instant, and no trace of him was ever afterwards seen, except a small grease spot on the floor where he stood!

A Boston paper says—A lady seamstress of our acquaintance says that she has taken the trouble of counting the number of stitches required in making a common shirt, and found it to be 15,532. This *seems* a large number.

Notice.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber on the 20th of March, 1829, a negro man named *S.M.*

Between 30 and 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, stout built, very sensible, and of a yellow complexion. Sam was raised in Franklin county, North-Carolina, by Benjamin Brickle, deceased, and was purchased at his sale by my father, Shadrick Collins—his wife was carried away by the Hatton family, and it is probable he is making his way on to Alabama, or lurking in the neighbourhood of Tarborough or Raleigh. A liberal reward will be given for the apprehension of said negro, if confined in any jail so that I get him again. *WM. B. COLLINS.*

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April 6th, 1829. }

The Raleigh Star will please insert the above four times, and forward the account to this office for collection.

GEN. MARION,

WILL STAND the ensuing season at my stable, in Halifax county, North-Carolina, 1 mile from the town of Halifax, 11 miles from Enfield, and 16 from Pollock's Ferry; and will be let to mares at FIFTEEN DOLLARS cash, the single leap—THIRTY Dollars the season, payable at the expiration of the season—and FORTY-FIVE Dollars to ensure a mare to be in foal, payable as soon as the mare is ascertained to be in foal—with 50 cents to the Groom in every instance. The season has commenced, and will end on the 20th day of July. Mares sent to remain with the horse will be well attended to; and can be fed with corn and fodder, if required, at 25 cents per day. Separate lots are provided, for mares with young colts. All necessary pains will be taken with mares and colts, to prevent accidents and escapes of every kind; but I will not be liable for either.

NICHOLAS M. LONG.
March 19, 1829. 33-3

Notice.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, near Sandersville, in Washington county, Georgia, on the 22d March last, my negro fellow

GLASGOW,

About 40 years old, dark complexion, thick lips, with a scar on his upper lip; I believe he is over the ordinary size of negroes and very likely—when intoxicated he is very boisterous. Said negro enticed away with him a youth 16 or 18 years of age, by name *Frederick Dixon*, he has changed his name since he left I have understood frequently—said youth is of respectable parentage, he has a fond mother, brothers, sisters, and numerous other relations to bewail his unfortunate condition. Any information relative to said youth would be thankfully received—it is impossible to tell where they will go as they went off without the least provocation. The negro was raised in Bertie county, near Windsor, in North-Carolina. I heard of two persons answering to the above description on the 28th March last, near Cambridge in South-Carolina, who stated they were going to Virginia. I presume the fellow has acquaintance in the lower part of Virginia, but I think he will first go to where he was brought—his ultimate object is to get his freedom, in pursuance of this object they may go on to Ohio immediately. I will give a liberal reward for the above named negro, or to have him secured so that I get him. *WILEY W. CULLENS.*

April 3d, 1829.

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YOUNG JACK,

WILL STAND the ensuing season one-half of his time at my stables, the other half at Logsboro', in the neighborhood of Dempsey Bryan and Joshua Lawrence, commencing the third Monday in March at Logsboro', and leaving there Saturday afternoon, and so on every other week until the Saturday before the third Monday in July next, at which time the season will expire. He will be let to mares at FOUR DOLLARS the single leap, to be paid when the mare is covered; SIX Dollars the season, to be paid at the expiration of the season; and TEN Dollars to insure a mare to be in foal, payable the first day of January next. Where a mare is insured and the property is changed before it is ascertained that she is in foal, the money will be claimed.

Young Jack,

WAS three years old last July, and was let to more than thirty mares last season and has proved himself a sure foal getter.

MOSES BAKER.

Feb. 28, 1829.

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List of Letters,

Remaining in the Post-Office at Tarborough N. C. the 1st day of April 1829, which if not called for and taken out by the 1st day of July next, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

Abington Penel	Mrs Lawrence Silas
Barnes Burrel	Lodge Lewis
Bryan Henry	Mayo Levi
Braswell Jacob	Marks Thomas
Basley Peyton R 2	Nettle Allen
Bowers Barthol'w	Nolley David
Battle Joel	Owens Elijah
Bell Marmaduke	Porter Elisha
Bembry Miles	Parsons Daniel
Cone John	Purvis Roderick
Crisp Samuel	Pender James
Delday Warren	Peel Mills
Edwards William	Ruth Cath W Miss
Ellis Elisha	Sorrell James
Griffin Edwin	Sauls John
Gay John	Sugg P S Dr
Gay Jonathan	SecMtMoriahLodge
Hines Richard Sr 2	Stewart Walter
Hines Kinchen	Stallings James
Howard James	Suit Richard
Horn Guilford	Sagueys A F
Knight James	Shugart Leonard
Lee William C	WilkinsonMil'dMrs
Low Exum L	Wallace Warren
Lloyd John	Wooten Ivy

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J. R. LLOYD. P. M.

Constables' Blanks for sale,
AT THIS OFFICE.