

RELIGION.

OF REVERENDING THE DEITY.

A contempt of positive duties, or rather of those duties from which the reason is not so plain as the command, indicates a disposition upon which the authority of revelation has obtained little influence.

Mockery and ridicule, when exercised upon the scriptures, or even upon the places, persons and forms set apart for the ministration of religion, fall within the mischief of the law which forbids the profanation of God's name; especially as that law is extended by Christ's interpretation.

LAW.

SUPREME COURT OF NEW-YORK, May 16.

Mr. George Howell was brought up by Habeas Corpus, with the record of his indictment and conviction on return to a writ of Certiorari.

The punishment by statute for forging Bills of Exchange, Bank or Promissory notes, is imprisonment for life; but as a check is not strictly on a such, the court in so penal a case adopted the mildest construction.

Another criminal case, removed from the sessions by similar proceedings, occupied the attention of the court.

A jury had been sworn to try several capital indictments against one prisoner. They retired to deliberate, and returned with a verdict Not Guilty on the first; but in their absence another prisoner had been put upon his trial.

In proof of the attention which is beginning to be paid to the breed of sheep, we will mention that the fleeces of 2 year old lambs at a late shearing in Prince George county averaged nine and a half pounds, and the fleece of an aged ewe weighed 12 pounds—the wool remarkably fine and long.

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Caton Decosta,

Jeweller & Silver-Smith, from Europe, INFORMS the Public, that he has commenced business for himself in Raleigh, where he solicits patronage.

As the advertiser is master of the business he professes, he deems it unnecessary to enumerate the kinds of work which he will undertake.

Raleigh, June 1, 1869.

A Maine of Cocks

WILL be fought at Granville Court House, on Thursday & Friday the 8th and 9th of June, for 300 Dollars, between Tarlton Johnson of Granville County, and Robert Wooden of Halifax, Virginia.

The Star.

RALEIGH,

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1869.

The Examination of the Students of the Raleigh Academy is now going forward at the State-House. A good deal of company is now attending the examination and more is expected.

To the polite attention of Mr. Stanford we owe it that we were in the early receipt of the President's Message.

We are well pleased with both the substance and manner of the President's Message. His sentiments are American, and his style is neat, flowing and graceful; neither ornamented nor disfigured with metaphorical expression.

The Review in page 124 will be read with interest and we flatter ourselves with advantage. It is even possible Mr. Lancaster's plan of Education, by its peculiar discipline of the mind, & by its affording a more ready access to the fountains of knowledge may give a new character to succeeding ages.

The King of Sweden has been deposed by his uncle the Duke of Sundermania, and confined in the Royal Palace of Drottningholm, on a small island 7 miles from Stockholm.

Accompanying a very polite letter from George W. P. Custis, Esq. of Arlington House, Virginia, we have received three specimens of Wool which we were requested to present to some Agricultural Society in this State.

These specimens are from native Smith's Island Sheep, and the improved Arlington breed. Mr. Custis, of Arlington, and Joseph Cooper, of New-Jersey, in their peaceful pursuits of Agriculture & Domestic Improvements, have acquired bays more honourable than the laureled crown.

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The Legislature of Connecticut convened on the 11th ult. Gov. Trumbull, in his speech at the opening of the session, proposing to the militia, proposes a different organization of the Artillery corps (we presume a substitution of the Horse Artillery) and the establishment of Arsenals.

ARTS, MANUFACTURES AND IMPROVEMENTS.

A piece of 32 yards of Broadcloth has been manufactured at Mr. John R. Livingston's farm, of Red-Hook, New-York, from the wool of Marino sheep at the cost and expence of \$4 94 cts. per yard.

Charles Cooper, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, has invented a new DOUBLE LOOM. It is constructed in such a manner, that one person can weave two pieces of cloth, of any size usual in common looms, and equally as good, and makes a border on all sides of the cloth.

An apparatus of the utmost public utility and largest dimensions in the kingdom was lately fixed in the school room of the well known Dr. Wanostrocht, of Camberwell. The main tube measures 52 inches round, and runs upwards to the ceiling of the school room, which is 18 feet high: from thence it proceeds to the middle of the ceiling, where it joins a round hollow box, three feet over and 10 inches deep; which box has three tubes of 3 feet long all round; making in all 9 feet diameter, and pointing

Notwithstanding the interference of the courts & grand juries at their late quarter sessions, those miscreants and pests of society the Gamblers, are again

carrying on their destructive and nefarious practices in town, with as much audacity as formerly. The Publicans, apprehensive of being deprived of their licenses, no longer permit public gaming in their houses, but they still harbour the Blacklegs, and it is understood that two houses, as usual, in the principal tavern in town, have been rented for the express purpose of playing Pharo, and taking in the unwary. Petersburg Paper.

Gold—Two lumps of pure virgin gold have been lately found in ploughing up a cornfield near Spottsylvania Court House, Virginia, which together weighed 9 oz. 4 dwt. when melted, 8 oz. 15 dwt.—the deficiency is owing to the dirt only—no other material, &c. being in its composition.—Enquirer.

Gen. Wilkinson made his entry into New-Orleans on the 16th of April. He was received with much pomp and parade.

While most of us rejoice in the prospect of an accommodation with England some are at dagger points because they happen to differ in opinion as to the causes which have produced the change in her conduct towards us, and not a little scurrility and invective has been brought in aid of the arguments employed on the occasion.

Natural Phenomenon.—In the north part of Cumberland, in this State, near the Atleborough line 12 miles from Providence, about the beginning of March, in the night, the ground for the space of 2 or 3 acres began shaking, and continued 2 or 3 minutes. The houses shook considerably, the water in a pond adjacent seemed considerably agitated, and there appeared many indications of an earthquake; but it passed off; and the next day about 2 in the afternoon the same quivering of the earth was observed.

An Entertainment was given at Cartersville, Virg. to John Randolph when on his way to Congress. The following are some of the toasts drank on the occasion.

The President of the United States—His late arrangements with the British minister entitle him to the thanks of the people.

The memory of George Washington and the heroes of the revolution.

Thomas Jefferson, with his inaugural speech. The Standing Army—"A reduction of it within the narrowest limits compatible with the protection of the forts, and preservation of the arsenals of the United States."

The militia of the United States—With arms in their hands "they would be equal to the military exigencies of their country," they could "execute the laws, suppress insurrections and repel invasions." What more will mercenary troops do?

Our Representative in Congress—The foregoing toasts express some of the prominent principles which have directed his political conduct, and for an adherence to which he has received our confidence and support.

Mr. Randolph then gave the following toast:—The Freeholders and Inhabitants of this district—When I forget them may my god forget me.

By the President—John Taylor of Virginia, and Nathaniel Macon of North-Carolina—Uniform friends to liberty, seeking neither office nor emolument—such men never deceive the people.

The Washington Federalist notices, with becoming pride, the improvements, which have been made, and are still making, in the District of Columbia. The large and elegant Bridge over the Potomac, opposite the city of Washington, is completed, and renders the route to the Metropolis shorter and more expeditious.

PRICES CURRENT.

Table with columns for location (FAYETTEVILLE, RICHMOND, VA., CHARLESTON) and various commodities (BUTTER, BACON, BRANDY, CORN, COFFEE, COTTON, RUM, SALT, SUGAR, FLAX-SEED, FLOUR, TOBACCO, WHEAT, WHEATY, WHISKEY) with their respective prices.