

bring some away, but a spirit of an amazing size, according to their account sixty feet in height, strode into the water after them, and commanded them to deliver back what they had taken away. Terrified at his gigantic stature, and seeing that he had nearly overtaken them, they were glad to restore their shining treasure; on which they were suffered to depart without farther molestation. Since this incident, no Indian that has ever heard of it, will never venture near the same haunted coast. Besides this they recounted to me many other stories of these islands equally fabulous.

The country on the north and east parts of Lake Superior is very mountainous and barren. The weather being intensely cold in the winter, and the sun having but little power in the summer, vegetation there is very slow; and consequently but little fruit is to be found on its shore. It however produces some few species in great abundance. Whortleberries of an uncommon size, and fine flavour, grow on the mountains near the lakes in amazing quantities; as do black currants and gooseberries in the same luxuriant manner.

But the fruit which exceeds all the others, is a berry resembling a raspberry in its manner of growth, but of a lighter red, and much larger; its taste is far more delicious than the fruit I have compared it to, notwithstanding that it is so highly esteemed in Europe: it grows on a shrub of the nature of a vine, with leaves similar to those of a grape; and I am persuaded that was it transplanted into a warmer and more kindly climate, it would prove a most rare and delicious fruit.

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THE MONITOR.

“Imperial Caesar, dead and turn'd to clay,
May stop a hole to keep the wind away.”

It is a common, and with some a very favourite opinion, that at the general resurrection every one will appear in the very same body he inhabited on earth. Without intending to engage in any thing like a controversy on this, to me, unimportant point, I would just state an objection to the above-mentioned opinion, drawn from a fact too notorious to be denied.

It is well known that the bodies of living animals are continually changing, and that the very same particles of matter successively constitute different animated substances, so that no man is the

identical corporeal being to day that he was yesterday; and those particles of matter which once entered into the composition, may since have made a part of many of their offspring; not to mention the possibility of their having been also verted into various kinds of fish, fowl, insects and brute animals—to say nothing of the various forms of vegetation, the blossoms, the flowers, and the fruit they may have passed through. Now, if the very same body rise again, while some men, who have been constituted of original particles only, assume gigantic forms, by the aggregation of all the particles of which they have been successively composed; others will be divided and subdivided almost *ad infinitum*, if the prior claim of the occupier be not admitted to the annihilation of his successors.

A rational and steady belief of the immortality of the soul, is of universal and infinite importance. And on this subject, more perhaps than any other, we are tempted to extend our enquiries beyond the limits wisely prescribed to them. But let us remember, that “even that gospel which is said to have brought life and immortality to light, allows us to see only through a glass darkly. It doth not appear yet what we shall be. Our knowledge of a future world is very imperfect our ideas of it are faint and confused.” The author and finisher of our faith is described in the old testament as hiding himself. Clouds and darkness are said to surround him—his way is in the sea, and his path in the great waters. His footsteps are not known.

“What future bliss he gives not thee to know,
But gives thee Hope to be thy blessing now:
Hope humbly then, with trembling pinions soar,
Wait the great teacher, Death, and God adore.”

NAUTICAL INTELLIGENCE.
EXTRAORDINARY.

A writer in a New-York paper thus subdivides a legislative body into *rates*, as in a national navy, viz.

1. Persons of universal knowledge, and who are at the same time men of an upright character, and of a non-speculative turn; and such as possess the gift, or, if you please, the acquirement of genuine oratory, and the art of knowing when they had said enough: individuals of this description we will call *FIRST RATES*, or *six dollar members*.

2. Those who speak a great deal, and on occasion can be a little twittical, have the misfortune to deal much in the figure

of *Periphrasis*, or circumlocution, and are wont to utter twenty thousand words, to launch into the world twenty ideas—let us set them down as *second rates*, or *four dollar members*.

3. Well meaning men who never open their lips twice in a session, *in-door*, but sit quietly and patiently to hear the observations and oratory of their more eloquent brethren; as they do neither good nor harm, let us put them down at a medium rate, and rank them as *three dollar members*.

4. Smart, dapper, young fellows, who are commonly put in as having been *sine boys*, by the interest of friends, and talk in a flowery style upon subject even the most abstruse, evidently with a view to attract the notice of the ladies in the gallery—we will denominate all gentlemen of this class *two dollar members*, or *fourth rates*.

5. Such as are constantly engaged during the hours of business in reading the newspapers, and in taking down notes, but never speaking from them—these are *fifth rates*, or *ten shilling members*.

6. Such as sit stock still in their places, never speaking, and, to all appearance, employed only in eating apples, except now and then lifting the arm to give their vote—we may safely put them down as *two shilling members*, or *sixth rates*.

Besides these are commonly in every legislative body an inferior tribe of members analogous to yachts, boys, tenders, bomb-boats, barges, cutters and yawls. These, without further subdivisions, I call *twenty-penny members*.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

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WE informed our readers lately, that Mr. Selator had been sent off to Mr. Fitzherbert, at Madrid, with the ultimatum of our court.—If nothing retards his return, he should be back next Tuesday or Wednesday. The recent decision of the national assembly of France, and other political occurrences, have induced our ministry to terminate the present suspense without farther delay. These deliberations, which occupied six private meetings of the cabinet, were brought to a final conclusion on Thursday, when Mr. Whiffin (one of the newly appointed messengers) was immediately dispatched to Mr. Fitzherbert, at Madrid, with final instructions for him to take his leave of the court of Spain within twenty four hours after the receipt of his dispatches, if he does immediately receive unequivocal satisfaction.