

Poetry.

THE SLANDERER'S TOMB.

DEEP in the dreary forest gloom, Where not a flower is seen in bloom, And where a poison'd streamlet laves The bank where deadly nightshade waves, Is seen the slanderer's lonely tomb.

The bodied owl, howling round, Sends forth the screech of fearful sound. The black wing'd raven lingers there, And blasting dews pollute the air, And fall upon the unhallowed mound.

For him, who sleeps in that lone bed, No tear of fond regret is shed, No kindred dear his fate bemoan, Or raise the consecrated stone, With pious hands above his head.

Alike to Heaven and man a foe, The only joy on earth he knew, Was to destroy his neighbor's fame, To blight the fairest, brightest name, And aim at virtue's breast a blow.

On his dark brow scowl'd Envy dire, His eye balls dash'd a baneful fire, Whilst Malice, and envenom'd Hate, Dwelt in his heart in sullen state, And swell it with a hellish ire.

Indignant saw th' Almighty power The wretch: fell woes around him shower— The bolt of Heaven in thunder sped, And stuck the prowling monster dead, That he should curse the world no more.

And now in dreary forest gloom, Where not a flower is seen to bloom, And where a poison'd streamlet laves The bank where deadly night shade waves, Is seen the hateful slanderer's tomb.

Miscellaneous.

FROM THE BOSTON EVENING GAZETTE.

The following impressive sketch, portraying the dreadful consequences of gaming, is from the pen of a gentleman who was well acquainted with the person and fact described.—We submit it to the reflection of those just entering on the pernicious career—and hope that it may have a salutary effect.—Where rocks and other perils abound, there ought to be numerous beacons to warn the inexperienced and the rash. The siren song which induced Ulysses to bind his companions and himself to the mast, was less dangerous, less fatal than the seductions of the gaming table, especially when presenting themselves under the most innocent and attractive form.

CONSEQUENCES OF GAMING.

There lived, I will not say where, a man who was ushered into life with the fairest prospects. He was an only son. His father was dead—his inheritance was ample. His mother devoted herself exclusively to her son—she indulged him to excess. His parts were good—His mind quick and lively. His person was handsome. His manners attracting. His disposition conciliating. At the beginning of the revolutionary war, he had just become a man. He entered into the army. He was soon distinguished, honored and promoted.—But before he commenced the career of honor, he had contracted the passion for gaming. That passion, too frequently indulged, lessened his value. His superiors sometimes admonished and sometimes chided. The passion increased. The honorable calls of an injured and struggling country—the flattering inducements of rank acquired, and promotion expected, were forgotten—He withdrew from the army under some plausible pretence. He addressed and married a charming woman. He received with her considerable wealth.—Engaged in commerce—was often absent from home, under pretence of mercantile pursuits—but alas! to indulge in the propensity of gaming. His credit as a merchant was lost: He was unfortunate at play, and to retrieve his losses, he descended to the practice of cheating. Unskilled in this ugly art, he was detected—beaten and kicked out of a public room—disgraced and stigmatized, and all before he was thirty years of age.

Avoided by men of character, kicked and repelled by gamblers, loved and respected by no one, despised by himself, and goaded by the rebukes of a never sleeping conscience, he had recourse to the bottle, and thus, between the agitations of a hateful retrospect, and the anodynes of ardent spirits, he hastened to the yawning grave! He died of a diseased mind and decaying health, in the vigor of manhood, without leaving behind him any to say, alas, poor William! for that was his name.

Ask no more, let the sad story be remembered; let parents caution their sons—guardians their wards.—Let young men be warned by this catastrophe, that such fair and flattering prospects were blighted by gambling. Let those who approve and are benefitted by this melancholy picture, go to gambling tables, and and if they find young men fast entering in the career of vice, hastening headlong to the precipice of destruction, give timely and salutary warning.—Let this monitory lesson—these sad and heart-rending truths be read with attention, and perhaps, by such admonition, some may be snatched from ruin, who may become the ornaments of their country, the pride of their friends, and an honor to the family of man.

PHILOS.

Bankers, Merchants and others, look sharp!

In the year 1795, the Bank of Nantucket was robbed of a considerable sum of money, but no discovery could be made of the perpetrators.—It has lately been discovered, that three men, Fate, Clark and Witherly, were the robbers.—Fate, now a convict in the State Prison, New-York, made the confession, and cleared the characters of some persons who had long been suspected of the villainy.

A few days ago, the clerk in a Broker's Office, New-York, took from the money-chests \$400 dollars, and immediately set out for

Philadelphia.—He was pursued, and apprehended before he passed the ferry to Paulus Hook, and put into custody for trial.

Same day, two bills of exchange each 5000 sterling, were stopped at the Police Office, N. York, being found on the person of an old offender.

The Middleton Bank, Penn. was lately robbed of 10,295 dollars.—The Gentlemen was seized, along with the dollars, and is now in prison at Lebanon.

FROM THE VIRGINIA PATRIOT.

Mr. Muirroe was a member of the Convention of Virginia, a majority of which agreed to the ratification of the constitution of the U. S. tho' he was opposed to it. On the subject of the election of a president, he has these remarks. How far they will apply to Mr. Jefferson, Mr. Madison or himself, the reader may judge.

“Will not the influence of the President himself have great influence in his re-election; the variety of the offices at his disposal, will acquire him the favor and attachment of those who aspire after them, and of the officers and of their friends. He will” [a President or Secretary] “have some connexion with the members of the different branches of government. They will esteem him, because they will be acquainted with him—live in the same town with him, and often dine with him. This familiar and frequent intercourse will secure him great influence. Besides his influence in the town where he will reside, he will have very considerable weight in the different states. For these reasons I conceive the same President may always be continued, and be in fact” [or in the first place] “elected by Congress, instead of independent and intelligent electors.

FROM THE NEW-YORK EVENING POST.

The following statement this morning made to the House of Representatives by Mr. Tucker of Virginia, in relation to the number and wages of the persons engaged to superintend the rebuilding the capitol only, shows the profuse prodigality with which the people's money, borrowed at an usurious premium of fifteen per cent. is lavished upon the favorites of the administration:

Table listing salaries for various positions: One superintendent, yearly salary \$1200; Three commissioners, whose yearly salaries are 4800; Mr. Latrobe, do. 1500; Foreman of stone-cutters, do. 1500; Messenger to commissioners, do. 500; Clerk of commissioners, do. 1500; Clerk of the works \$4 per day, equal to a yearly salary of 1252; Overseer of carpenters \$3 per day, equal to a yearly salary of 939; Overseer of laborers \$2 per day, equal to a yearly salary of 606; Overseers of brick-layers \$3 per day, equal to a yearly salary of 939; Sub-Oversers of do. \$2 per day, equal to a yearly salary of 626; Master stone cutter \$3 per day, equal to a yearly salary of 939.

Thus sixteen thousand four hundred and twenty-one dollars are annually paid, not for cutting stone and laying brick, but for superintendance and keeping the accounts of expenditures! This cannot be necessary.—But the same extravagance is to be found in various departments of the government—the staff of our standing army is as much greater than is necessary, as the host who are engaged to oversee the repair of the capitol.

Patronage, patronage and influence reign triumphant. How else could we secure a Virginia President?

Extract of a letter from a young gentleman on board the U. S. frigate United States, dated Port Mahon, January 23, received in Boston.

“Within a few days the Intendant has refused giving us our stores from the shore, alledging he had orders from government to charge import and export duty on them, amounting to 4000 dollars. Nothing of this having been mentioned when they were landed, our Commodore is determined not to comply. We have hauled directly opposite the Custom House with our broadside facing it.

“The Constellation is in dock refitting. Capt. Gordon's health is not very good. The Erie, Ontario, Alert, John Adams, and schr. Hornet and the Dutch squadron are here. The Hornet sails in a few days for Marselles—and the Adams this day for Gibraltar, for provision.

“The Algerine squadron is in port, and dismantled. “The Algerine brig was demanded by us at Carthagen; but refused till orders were received from Madrid.

“The Erie, has brought from Algiers, the Americans who were on board the Spanish ship of the line San Fernando, which foundered near there. No property was saved from that ship, she sunk so suddenly. On board there were 40 or 50 women, soldiers, wives. All the lives were saved; but the Algerines made prisoners of the Spaniards. Every possible exertion was made by the Americans to save the ship.”

[A letter from Cadiz says, the loss of the San Fernando is a serious one for the Spaniards, and that it was said she had on board two hundred men, exclusive of the Americans.

UNIVERSITY.—The annual examination of the students at the University of North Carolina, will begin on Thursday the 9th of May next, and will continue until Friday the 17th of May. At which time the commencement of the College will take place. The following Trustees are appointed to attend.

- The Rev. Robert H. Chapman, D. D. The Rev. Joseph Caldwell, Duncan Cameron, Robert Cochran, Jesse Franklin, John Haywood, John D. Hawkins, Edward Jones, Robert H. Jones, Francis Locke, Joseph B. Littlejohn, Wm. C. Love, Archibald M. Bryde, Test, ROBERT WILLIAMS, Secretary. Raleigh April 10th, 1816.

STRAY HORSES.—Strayed from the subscribers (living in Raleigh) about ten days ago, three horses.—That belonging to William Shaw is a light sorrel—one hind foot white and a star in his forehead, light mane and tail; his tail is cut but somewhat grown out; he is one of a pair of carriage horses; usually carries a high head and tail; about 4 feet 10 inches high and 8 or 9 years old.—That belonging to Dr. Beck with is a slim, dark bay, with a star in his forehead; black mane and switch tail; about 5 feet high and 7 or 8 years old; not in very good order.—The one belonging to S. Bond is a bright bay; both hind feet white, switch tail, also about 5 feet high and 7 or 8 years old.

The above strays went off in company and were seen all together on the stage road, half way between Raleigh and Louisburg.—One of them was raised in Franklin county, about 8 miles from Louisburg—but not having gone there, we are inclined to think they may have gone into Granville county.—Any information respecting the above strays, or either of them, will be most thankfully received, and ample compensation made to any one who will deliver all, or either of them to us in Raleigh.

WM. SHAW, JOHN BECKWITH, SOUTH BOND. 46—3t.

Raleigh, April 19, 1816.

APPOINTMENTS.—On Saturday the 27th of the present month, I will attend at Person Court House to pay off the troops from that county, late of the 5th Regt. N. C. detached Militia, in the service of the U. States, and on Tuesday following, (the 30th) I will attend at Rockingham Court House to pay off those of that county.

T. L. SMITH, P. M. 5th R. N. C. D. M. U. S. S.

GEORGE W. GRIMES, having sold to Mr. Thomas Cobbs, his stock in the Windsor Char business, intends devoting his attention exclusively to PAINTING AND GILDING. He will attend particularly to the Coach and Sign Painting, and House ornamenting. He returns his thanks for the very liberal encouragement heretofore received, and hopes from assiduity and attention to his business to merit and receive a continuance of public patronage. He may be found at present at Col. Wiatt's carriage shop. Business from the country thankfully received and promptly attended to. April 19, 1816.—46—3t.

ROANOKE NAVIGATION.—In pursuance of the “Act for improving the navigation of the river Roanoke and its waters,” passed by the General Assembly of North Carolina, in 1815, the undersigned commissioners, give notice, that Books for receiving subscriptions, to the capital stock of the company, will be opened at the Bookstore of Wm. Boylan in the city of Raleigh, on the first Monday in March next, and kept open until the third Monday in June following. A share of stock is one hundred dollars—and each subscriber is required to pay ten dollars upon each share subscribed, either at the time of subscribing, or by the meeting of the stockholders, to take place at Halifax on the fourth Monday in June next; and not more than 33 1-3 per cent upon a share, can be demanded in any one year thereafter.

The undersigned take the liberty to recommend to men of capital to become subscribers.—The act of incorporation holds out a prospect to the company forever, of a profit, equal, if not superior to the dividends of any banking institutions of the state, free too, from the imposition of taxes by the legislature. It authorises the company to erect toll bridges over the Roanoke and all the streams which run into it in this state. A privilege which may be considered as extremely valuable.

WM. BOYLAN, J. GALES, H. SEAWELL. 38—

Raleigh, February 20.

LAND FOR SALE.—In the vicinity of Raleigh.—The Subscriber offers for sale, a well timbered and valuable tract of Land, south east of Raleigh, joining the lands of Sherwood Haywood, Wm H. Haywood, and Joshua Sugg, senr. A. CURTIS. Raleigh, March 2, 1816. 42—1t.

DOCTRS FALCONER & HENDERSON having entered into partnership in the practice of Medicine and Surgery, &c. all applications will be particularly attended to. Raleigh, March 2, 1816. 42—1t.

REMOVAL.—Wm. W. Mason, Has removed his STORE to the house lately occupied by E. Weems; one door above Richard Smith's; where he solicits a continuance of public patronage. 43—1t.

MEDICINES, PAINTS, &c.—The subscriber, having purchased of Mr. Joseph Ross, his possessions at the corner of Fayetteville and Harget streets, intends to make it a permanent stand for his business; where he has just received from New-York, and intends keeping for sale, a general assortment of MEDICINES, PAINTS, MATTER'S MATERIALS, GROCERIES and a fresh assortment of GARDEN SEEDS, all of which will be sold low for cash.

The object of having a house established in this place, where all medicines of the first necessity can be obtained genuine, cheap, and fresh, is too obvious to need any further comment. Medicines put up for Country Merchants and Physicians, at a liberal discount.

RANDOLPH WEBB. Raleigh, March 8, 1816. 40—8t.

N. B. MINERAL WATERS prepared and sold as above.

HARDWARE.—At reduced prices for Western Bank Paper.—MICHAEL KIMMEL, No. 4, North Howard Street, opposite Mr. Joseph Worley's Tavern, Baltimore; is now opening 502 packages assorted CUTLERY, SADDLERY, PLATED BRASS and JAPAN'D WARE, BUTTONS, &c. &c. and further supplies expected by the first Spring ships. It will be worth the attention of purchasers to call: as those Goods have been purchased for cash in England, the assortment will be sold low for cash, or on liberal credit for acceptance in the city. Raleigh, March 22, 1816. 42—2m.

TWO UNDERTAKERS.—On the 15th May next, at Northampton court house) N. Carolina, will be let to the lowest undertaker, the BUILDING A NEW COURT HOUSE, forty feet square, fourteen feet pitch, with two rooms, as wings, fifteen feet square; with chimneys. The main building to be set three feet from the ground on brick. Bond, with approved security, will be required for the faithful performance of the work, agreeably to a plan to be given at the time of letting said work, by the commissioners.

JOHN NICHOLAS, JAMES EXUM, JAMES CRUMP, GARTER JONES, DANL. MASON. Commissioners. 41—15m.

March, 1816.

COACH MAKING BUSINESS.—The subscriber informs the public, (after thanking them for former favors) that he has on hand, finished between 1500 and 2000 dollars worth of ELEGANT WORK, part of which is for sale; and invites those who want, or may want, anything in his line, to call at his shop, west of the court house. J. T. C. WIATT. Raleigh 28th, Nov. 1815. 26—1t.

NEW TWO STORY HOUSE FOR SALE.—The subscriber offers for sale, his House and Lot, near the Academy, with all the improvements. For elegance of situation, there is none, perhaps, superior in the city; and none better calculated for a Boarding House.—For further particulars, apply to J. F. GONEKE. Raleigh, March 29, 1816. 43—U.

THE PUBLIC JOURNAL OF THE UNITED STATES.—to be printed at the City of Washington.—The subscriber proposes to commence, within a few weeks, a daily and thrice-a-week Newspaper, under the foregoing title, to be published at the seat of the general government. It will be national in its character, and liberal in its political complexion.—attempting, with moderate firmness, to do justice to the sentiments and opinions of those, who have not regarded with approbation the system of policy pursued, for several years, by our public councils.

As a Newspaper, no pains will be spared to render it useful and interesting. As a political journal, it will be held open, to each side, for a calm discussion of public measures....rejecting, as improper, every unnecessary indulgence of personalities. A detail of the proceedings and debates of Congress, as ample as possible, will be given; as will all documents, which, from their importance, may be deemed worthy of being placed before the public.

In other respects, it will, of course, be the interest and object of the editor, to gratify, by various and careful selection, the taste and wishes of his readers. So far as regards the manner of execution, the attention to advertising patrons, with regularity of publication, and care in transmission to subscribers, the editor hopes to be able to give general satisfaction.

The terms proposed, are 1. The Public Journal of the United States, printed on a super-royal sheet of the usual size, will be furnished daily at ten dollars per annum...thrice a week at five.

2. No subscription to be received without payment, in advance, for the term specified. 3. Subscriptions will be presumed as continued, unless otherwise ordered; and the editor will, at his option, have a right to disregard such order of discontinuance, unless all arrears are at the time paid off.

4. Where accounts have been forwarded, and no payment has been made within a reasonable time, the names of delinquents may be erased from the subscription list. On the foregoing plan and terms, a share of public encouragement is respectfully asked. A. LUCAS. Washington City, February 14, 1816.

Those gentlemen in North and South Carolina and Georgia, who may be kind enough to take charge of subscription papers, will have the goodness to receive the advance payments, and forward them, with the names, for the present, to the subscriber at Raleigh

THE CELEBRATED HORSE, SHYLOCK.—Will stand the ensuing season at my stable in Northampton county, N. C. 8 miles from the court-house, ten from the town of Halifax, and twenty from Belfield, on the road leading from Halifax to Belfield.—Will be let to mares at twenty-five dollars the season, if paid by the expiration thereof, or thirty dollars payable by 25th December next, with one dollar to the groom in every instance.—Very extensive and well enclosed pastures for the benefit of mares left with the horse; they shall be fed according to direction, which money must be paid when the mares are taken away. My attention shall be such as to try to prevent any accident, though no responsibility if any should occur. The season has already commenced, and will expire on the first of August.

Shylock is a beautiful bay, five feet two inches high, with black legs, mane and tail—of superior form, great action, and such substance and stamina as the best judges say they have never before seen. JOHN D. AMIS. April 1, 1816. 45—6t.

CHANCE.—The property of col. John Tayloe, of Washington city, will stand at my stable in Warrenton, N. C. the ensuing season. Terms &c. will be made known in due time. PHILEMON HAWKINS. February 4th, 1816. 36—1t.

Pay of the first Regiment of N. Carolina Militia, late in the U. States Service at Norfolk.

ATTENDANCE will be given at the following times and places, to pay such Claims as remain unpaid, for services in the above named Regiment, viz

- At Raleigh, on the 26th and 27th inst. At Nash Court-House, on the 1st of April. At Tarborough, the 3d, 4th and 5th do. At Enfield (Halifax county) on the 8th do. At Halifax, 9th do. At Winton, Hertford county, 11th do. At Northampton C. House, 13th do. At Warrenton, 16th do. At Williamsborough, 18th do. At Granville Court-House, 19th do. At Lewisburg, 22d do. And at Smithfield, 26th and 27th do.

The same rules and regulations will be observed in paying, as published by Junius Sneed, Esq. District Paymaster, in the Raleigh newspapers of last month. Persons having claims would do well to look at said regulations before they apply, WILLIS WHITTAKER, P. M. 1st Reg. N. C. D. M. Raleigh, March 14.

EAGLE HOTEL, For Sale.—The long continued bad health of our acting partner, in this establishment, renders it impracticable for him to give the necessary attention required to the increasing custom of the house.—We have therefore determined to dispose of the Hotel, with all its appurtenances, covering two acres of ground, and give immediate possession.—Any persons desirous to purchase, can have reference to our books, since we kept the house, which we suppose the best evidence we can offer to shew the value of the establishment. There can be no doubt, but it is the most profitable and of course the most desirable property in the southern states. S. C. BRAME, & Co. Raleigh, Feb. 23, 1816. 38—G.

The editor of the Charleston Times, will please insert the above advertisement four weeks and forward the account for payment.

NEW LEATHER STORE.—The Subscribers have opened a Leather Store in the room lately occupied by W. W. Mason, in the Star building, Raleigh, where they offer for sale a general assortment of the best Northern Leather, at Petersburg prices, for Cash. They have now on hand, seal and upper leather, calf skins, grain and wax, skirting and harness leather, roof and lining hides, bellows hides, sheep and lamb skins, morocco skins, hatters' skins, boot trees and lasts. All which they will warrant of first quality. BREWER & FAIRLAMB. March 4, 1815. 43—1t.

FOUND.—On Monday last, a bank note, which the owner may have by proving it, and paying for this advertisement.—Apply at this office. April 18, 1816. 46—1t.

TATE OF N. CAROLINA; Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, Feb. term, 1816. John Feemster, vs. Robert Woodside.—Original Attachment, levied, &c.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the court, that the defendant is not an inhabitant of this state; it is therefore Ordered, that the defendant appear at the next court of pleas and quarter sessions to be held for the county of Iredell, on the third Monday in May next, then and there to plead, otherwise judgment will be taken according to the plaintiff's demand—and that notice be inserted in the Raleigh Minerva three weeks. Test, JOHN NESBET, C. C. April 19, 1816 46—3t.

MINERVA OFFICE.—Two or three boys between 12 and 15 years of age or less, respectable connections and good habits, will be received as apprentices to the printing business, if immediate application be made at this office.