

POETICAL.

FOR THE RALEIGH MINERVA.

Gentlemen.—By publishing the following lines in your useful paper, you will confer a favor, on a friend, who feels particularly interested for your future welfare.

TO MISS ***** OF RALEIGH.

Bright as the radiant beams of morn
The passes o'er the plain,
Transcendent smiles her face adorn,
The theme of every strain.

No artifice, to that lov'd face
More beauty could impart,
Endow'd with ev'ry heav'nly grace
To captivate the heart.

Let not the breast in sorrow pine,
That mourns for thee alone;
Oh! shed one cheering smile divine
And mark me for thine own.

What though of power unpossessed,
No riches I reveal,
A purer flame enchants my breast
Than souls of wealth can feel.

Then come and bless thy Edwin's life,
Come to my lowly cell;
There free from ev'ry worldly strife,
In calm content to dwell.

My little flocks that spread the ground,
Will own thee for their guard;
And smiling pastures waving round,
With plenteous crops reward.

Then come and grace my humble cot,
And pass the hours in love;
Thou' show and grandeur crown us not,
The bliss of life we'll prove.

EDWIN.

Miscellaneous.

FOR THE WASHINGTON CITY GAZETTE.

MR. BLEDOT,

Looking over the National Messenger of some weeks back, I found an interesting anecdote of Major Wheaton, and as I have in my possession some documents, relative to the conduct of the same personage, I beg leave to give them to you. The events of which they treat I believe have never found their way into the pages of our revolutionary history; consequently must prove grateful to many of your readers. It is scarcely known that this gentleman struck the first British flag, in our struggle for independence; nevertheless, it is so, and the facts are these: "In 1775, the British a-med schooner Margareta commanded by Thomas Moore, a noble young fellow, nephew of Admiral Graves lay at anchor off Machias. Joseph Wheaton, then a boy, proposed to Dennis O'Brien, a friend of his who was with him, to join and take the British schooner. The proposition was no sooner made than acceded to, with all that promptness, say, rashness, which characterizes youth, without ever taking into consideration the means of accomplishing so hazardous an enterprise: However, the brothers of Mr. O'Brien, five in number, were consulted, and a general volunteer among the boys took place. Thirty six were collected together, twenty-five of whom were armed, some with fowling pieces, others with pitch-forks. Thus this little band of heroes, every one of whom should be handed down to posterity as a prodigy of more than Roman valor, took possession of a small shallop; and gave chase to the Margareta, who, jealous of their movements, had already got under way and was proceeding to sea with a view of decoying them after her, but the shallop sailing fast, they soon came up, after having been obliged to receive a galling fire from the schooner, which, though it did much damage, seemed only to spur them on. They had at last the good fortune to lay the Margareta along side, grappled her, and in a desperate and bloody conflict of about 15 minutes carried her, after having killed and wounded more than half her crew: Capt. Moore met his death on the quarter deck of his vessel, while gallantly defending her to the last.—The number of this little band was greatly reduced in the conflict, but the spirits of those that remained were elevated to a degree which forbade them to stop here. With this schooner, mounting 4 carriage guns, 19 swivels, hand grenades, boarding-pikes, &c. they cruised and took two others of a larger class, viz. the Del-gence and Titmogush, with which they proceeded to St. Johns (N. B.) and captured all the merchant vessels there loading for Boston. Landed their little crew, stormed and took Fort Howe, and made prisoners of the British soldiers. Thus their gallant actions gave a turn to the feelings of those in that part of the country which very materially assisted to bring to a happy issue our revolution.

Major Wheaton, I find, is a clerk in the Land Office in your city. Three of the O'Briens, viz Jeremiah, William, and Dennis, sleep in honorable graves, the other brothers reside in Machias, beloved by all who know them.

Law Intelligence.

FROM THE BOSTON GALAXY, JAN. 8.

Malignant prosecution.—On Tuesday last, came on at the Supreme Court of this town, the trial of Major Elijah Putnam Goodridge, for falsely and maliciously charging Eben Pearson with being accessory to a pretended robbery of said Goodridge on the 19th Dec. 1816. The ground of defence assumed by the defendant's counsel, hon. D. Davis, was that the defendant had just cause of suspicion against the plaintiff. With this trial was incidentally connected the investigation of the circumstances attending the alleged robbery. Hon. D. Webster, counsel for the plaintiff, proved incontrovertibly, from the whole chain of circumstances, that no robbery was committed—that the whole was an imposition, practised upon the community by the defendant, for reasons unknown,—and that the prosecution of the plaintiff was therefore malicious. Chief Justice Parker was very clear and decided in his charge to the jury, who brought in a verdict for the plaintiff—damages two thousand dollars.

It will be recollected, that the story of this robbery produced a strong excitement in the public mind, not only in the county of Essex, where it was pretended to have been committed, but also throughout Massachusetts, New-Hampshire and Maine—that Mr. Pearson was twice examined before a justice on suspicion of being an accessory—that Levi and Laban Kenniston were indicted, tried and acquitted before the Supreme Court at Ipswich—and that a man by the name of Jackson was also tried and acquitted on the same charge, at a subsequent term of the same Court. It is not probable that the community will be any further disturbed by the Major's prosecutions.

Statistical.

Statistic.—A statistical table of the population of the City, State, and United States, during the last one hundred and twenty years.

Table with 4 columns: Periods, City N. E. State N. York, U. S. Rows show population data for years 1697, 1749, 1753, 1771, 1786, 1790, 1800, 1805, 1810.

In 1816, the corporation, for the purpose of making a jury list, ordered the number of inhabitants to be taken, which was returned at upwards of 108,000. That enumeration however was generally considered very incorrect; the actual number supposed far to exceed that returned. It is presumed the present number amounts to 185,000; and by the United States' census for 1820, the number returned will be 148,000. If the city of New-York should continue to increase in the same proportion that it has done any ten years within the last thirty—that is, three-fifths every ten years, in 1830 its population will amount to 255,000, and in 1840 to 408,000, and at the end of the present century to 538,800.—Daily Adv.

CONGRESSIONAL.

From the National Intelligence, Jan. 7.

After a long calm, a light breeze yesterday ruffled the surface of the house of representatives, the precursor only of a more serious agitation of one or two interesting questions, which will in all probability be discussed in the course of the next week.

The topic which was the subject of most of the debate of yesterday, was the constitutionality, on the one hand, and propriety, on the other, of the construction, by order of the executive, of military roads, and of the payment of the expenses thereof out of the sum annually appropriated, under the head of contingent expenses for the army. No question was taken involving a decision on this or any other point.

The most interesting feature of the debate which is to take place, is, probably, the discussion (which, notice has been given, will be brought on, whilst in committee of the whole on this bill) respecting the Seminole war, and particularly respecting the conduct of the commanding general. This intention was distinctly announced by Mr. Mercer, and the shape in which the question will be presented, will be that of a proposition to appropriate for the payment of one, only, instead of two major generals in the army.

After a debate, yesterday, in the SENATE, the resolution moved by Mr. Dickerson, proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States, to establish a uniform mode of election (by districts) of Representatives to Congress and Electors of President and Vice-President, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by a majority of 28 to 11. This vote, we presume, ensures its passage, in that body, by the constitutional majority of two thirds of all the members present. We hope, the period being so auspicious to a dis-embarrassed view of this question, that it may be candidly discussed elsewhere, and finally receive the same sanction from the other branch of the Legislature, and from the States, as it has received in the Senate. We have always been of the opinion that such an amendment was important to equalize the rights of the people, and the influence of the states in general government. The more immediately, too, the will of the people is collected, in their respective districts, the more surely, it appears to us, are the doors of promotion to the Executive chair guarded against the fraud of cabals, the intrigues of low ambition, and the no less baneful bargains of those who make a merchandize of political influence. Nat. Int.

NOTICE.—It is essential to me that the large amount of my out standing debts be speedily collected. I payments have not been punctually made, I know, been much my own fault; but I never was an adept in the art of Junning. My subscribers, who are in arrears are however now informed, that I need their assistance, and that their accounts shall be sent to them without delay. Remittances may be made direct to me in Raleigh, or through those post masters who may be kind enough to take charge of them. I will be responsible for the risks of mail.

The patrons of the Minerva, will, I trust, excuse this appeal to their justice; since they assuredly intend a real and not a nominal patronage to the paper. They will not therefore scruple to assist me in discharging the obligations I am under to others.

January 22, 1819. Those who may have business with me, or may require my services as Notary Public, will find me from 11 o'clock; and from 3 till 9 at night, at my office in rear of the Museum.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—at the office, an apprentice between the age of twelve and fifteen years. One from the country would be preferred.

A PROCLAMATION. 100 DOLLARS REWARD.

WHEREAS it has been made appear to me that Edward Kearney, of the county of Warren, stands charged by the verdict of a Jury of inquest, with the murder of a certain Wm. D. Bennett of said county, and that said Kearney has made his escape: Now therefore to the end, that he may be brought to justice, the above reward will be given to any person or persons who will apprehend and confine said Kearney in any Jail; and I do moreover hereby enjoin and command all officers civil and military within this state, to use their best endeavors to apprehend and bring said Kearney to justice.

Kearney is about twenty eight years old, five feet 7 or 8 inches high, black hair and beard—down look, something like an impediment in his speech, rather hollow and drawing voice, he is very fond of spirits.

In testimony whereof I have caused, the Great Seal of State to be hereunto affixed and signed, he same at our city of Raleigh, on the 18th day of January, A. D. 1819.

L. S.

By the Governor, JOHN BRANCH. Private Secretary.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY, to learn the Windsor Chair making business, two Apprentices. Those from the country would be preferred. Apply to WILLIAMSON & SHELTON. Raleigh, Jan. 21, 1819.

STATE OF N. CAROLINA, Superior Court of Law, HEBBELL COUNTY. Fall Term, A. D. 1818. Thomas Giddons, vs. his wife Mary Giddons—Petition for divorce.

ORDERED, by the Court in this case that publication be made for three months in the Standard Minerva, that unless the defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law to be held for the county of Hebbell, on the fifth Monday after the fourth Monday in March next; the plaintiffs petition will be taken pro confesso and heard ex parte.

R. WORKE, Clerk. 1-3m.

STRAYED OR STOLEN. From the subscriber on the third instant a Bright Bay horse, about five feet three inches high, in tolerable good order. His name and tale is thinnah, tolerable long, has a Star, and Small blaze in his forehead, his left hind foot is white and has the appearance of having been hurt. This horse has quite a long neck, and is Spar made; his common gait is a Wreck has marks of geer on his sides and thighs. He is about eight years old. It is not necessary to say whether he has more white feet than one. I will reward any person for the delivery of said horse, and should he be stolen, I will give a reward of fifty dollars, on the conviction of the thief.

THOMAS COBBS. Raleigh January 15, 1819. 1-1f.

STATE OF N. CAROLINA, Superior Court of Law, HEBBELL COUNTY. Fall Term, A. D. 1818. Squire Parker, vs. his wife Elizabeth Parker, Petition for divorce.

ORDERED by the Court in this case, that publication be made for three months in the Standard Minerva, that unless the defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law to be held for the county of Hebbell, on the fifth Monday after the fourth Monday in March next; the plaintiffs petition will be taken pro confesso and heard ex parte.

R. WORKE, Clerk. 1-3m.

NORRENT, The dwelling-house belonging to the subscriber in the vicinity of this place. For terms, apply to Mr. Wm. Boylan, at Raleigh.

R. A. JONES. Raleigh, January 16, 1819. 1-1f.

FIVE DOLLARS REWARD.—One of my pocket on the 19th day of December last, near Scotland Neck, my POCKET BOOK, in which were the following papers.—One note against Solomon Bartlett for \$37.50, dated 19th September, 1818, and payable 1st January 1819; one note against Frederick Jones for \$75, dated 18th December, 1818, and payable 1st January, 1819. (R. State a subscribing witness.) one note against Drew Young and Peyton R. Finstall for \$200, payable 1st January, 1819, (when given, not recollected.) one note against Southernland Manly for \$3.50, with interest from the date, (Jones R. Liscomb a subscribing witness.) one due bill against Nathan Mayo, dated for one or two dollars and fifty cents, dated in 1808 with other papers not now recollected. The above reward will be given to any person who will deliver said book and papers to me, living in the neighborhood of Scotland Neck. And I hereby forwarn all persons from trading for the said notes, and the above named persons from paying the money for them to any other person but myself.

JOHN L. MAYO. Raleigh, 8, 1819. 89-3p.

TAKEN UP, at my plantation near Marlboro' Court-House, AN AMERICAN NEGRO MAN, who calls himself James about five feet high dark complexion, has two front teeth false, and one above, missing, says he belongs to a Mr. Daniel of N. Carolina, the county he does not know, but says about thirty or forty miles beyond Scotland Neck. Had on, when taken, a homespun shirt, pantaloons filled with black sheeps wool, a round jacket of willow homespun and a felt hat: says he absconded in July last, speaks bad English. Marboro' S. C. Nov 2, 1818. 89-1am3m.

DIVERSEMENT.—Proposals will be received at the General Post-Office, until the 10th day of January next, for transporting the mail once a week from Suffolk, Va. by Sonerton, Winton, N. C. Murfreesborough, Northampton, Ch. Halifax, Rock-Landing, Little Ordinary, Warrenton, Ellsville, Williamsborough, Oxford, Purpans, Person, Ch. Cary Williams and Milton, N. C. to Danville, Virginia.

SCHEDULE. Leave Suffolk every Tuesday at 3 A.M., and arrive at Danville the next Friday, by 10 A.M. leave Danville every Friday, at 2 P.M. and arrive at Suffolk the next Monday by 7 P.M.

The proposers will state the terms on which they will transport the mail and whether by stage or on horse-back, the proposals must be in writing and accompanied by recommendations stating the ability and energy of the proposer to carry his proposal into effect, the usual penalties will be exacted.

R. J. MELES. Post Office, Department, Dec. 17, 1818. Raleigh, N. C. 86-4p5.

CABINET MAKING BUSINESS.—The subscriber informs his friends and the public, that he has moved his shop into the new building lately erected by Joel Brown, on the corner of Fayetteville and Martin streets, where, from the excellence of the materials he has on hand, and experience in his workmen, he flatters himself that he will be able to furnish as elegant and fashionable furniture as ever was imported from the north.

ALEXANDER ROSS. N. B.—One or two boys, between 16 and 17 years of age, will be taken as apprentices to the above business, and one or two steady journey men will meet with employment. Work packed up so as be carried safe to any distance, for country customers free of expense. A. R. Raleigh, April 2, 1818. 49-4f.



THE celebrated and unequalled RACE HORSE, 'TMOLEON', will stand the ensuing season at the subscriber's stable, 3 miles north of Warrenton. The terms, blood and performance will be made known in due time. ROBT. R. JOHNSON. December 18. 85-4f.

STATE OF N. CAROLINA, Superior Court of Law, WAKE COUNTY. November Term, 1818. Alexander Turence, Guardian, vs. William Harit—Original attachment. Levied on the legal and equitable claim of William Harit, on the plantation at Beattie's Ford, where Andrew Harit died.

ORDERED, That publication be made for three months in the Raleigh, Minerva, that unless the defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law to be held for said county, at the court house in Charlotte, and replevy, judgment will be taken against him.

GEO. GRAHAM C. S. C. L. 83-3m.

FOR SALE—My valuable PLANTATION, lying on Swift Creek, about 7 miles from Raleigh, with the Stage Road to Fayetteville passing through it: this place contains about 400 acres, well cleared land sufficient to work to advantage eight or ten hands; and has upon it an excellent Mill-seat. At No. 50, my town property, viz. an excellent STONE HOUSE, in the block of new buildings, lately finished on Fayetteville street—part of Lot, No. 84—Lot, No. 38 with a fine Spring thereon—and nine acres and a half of ground, below my late dwelling-house, and extending to the Spring Branch.

If not disposed of at private sale, before the first Monday in February, the foregoing property will, on that day, be offered at public auction in this city. Terms of sale will then be made known.

WM. SCOTT. Raleigh, Jan. 8, 1819. 88-1f.

CROCKERY STORE—Fayetteville, adjoining the Mansion Hotel.—WILLIAM W. SHIRLEY has received, direct from the manufacturers and is now opening, an extensive assortment of rich CUT-GLASS, CHINA, and EARTHENWARE, which he offers at a low advance of the original purchases—Also by retail—viz. Blue and other China, Dinner, Dessert, Tea and Coffee sets, Blue and Fancy Toilet sets, Pitchers of various descriptions, Chimney Ornaments and Vases, Cut and Plain Glass, Decanters, Goblets, Tumblers and Wine-glasses, Sweet-meat dishes, Celery-stands, Butter-coolers, and Sallad-bowl, Crucifixes and Hall-lamp, with other articles too tedious to mention.

N. B. Country orders packed as low in price as can be bought in the original packages and with equal safety. January 6, 1819. 88-1f.

FOR SALE ON REASONABLE TERMS all my SHARES in the NEUSE RIVER NAVIGATION COMPANY. Also, my contract for clearing said river from Mr. Stone's Mill, to Fort Barr well.

JOHN D. DELACY. Raleigh, December 7, 1818.

NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM.—This establishment is now open for the reception of visitors. Admittance, 25 cents—Tickets for the year, five dollars.

As the plan embraces a Reading Room, where most of the principal newspapers, literary works, reviews, &c. are regularly filed, it is confidently believed that it will afford an agreeable and useful place of resort. Natural and artificial curiosities, sketches, maps, drawings and paintings, rare coins and medals, will be thankfully received and added to the collection, with the names of the liberal donors appended to them. General Calvin Jones has obligingly transferred the whole of his collection to this institution. Raleigh, Aug. 12. J. M. RILING & CO.

WESTERN STAGE.—The subscribers have commenced running, agreeably to contract with the Postmaster General, a Mail Stage between Raleigh and Salem, by way of Chapel Hill and Hillsborough. It leaves Raleigh every Tuesday at 2 o'clock and reaches Salem on Friday at 4 o'clock. Leaves Salem on Saturday morning, and reaches Raleigh every Tuesday at 10 o'clock. As every attention will be paid to the accommodation of Passengers, they hope for public support.

JOHN & CHRIST MORING. January 5. 89-1f.

SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY ACRES OF LAND, 11 miles N. W. of Raleigh, lying on the new post road from Hillsboro' to Raleigh. The land is inferior to no high land in the county, for the production of Corn, Wheat and Tobacco. The plantation is in good repair, 10 hands may be worked to an advantage, a quantity of prime Wheat is already sown, a tolerable dwelling-house and other necessary out houses, a two-story house, and a good neighborly mill for a store stock of all kinds including goats and deer will be sold to the purchaser if required. Terms of sale made known on viewing the premises, and payments easy.

SAM'L G. BRIGGS. October 20, 1818. 78-1f.

JOHN J. BRIGGS will sell 169 acres prime woodland, adjoining the above tract.

STATE OF N. CAROLINA, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, WAKE COUNTY. Caleb Jeter, vs. William R. Wayne. Original attachment. Levied in the hands of Samuel Canhs and he summoned as Garnishee.

THE defendant having removed himself out of the state, or so concealed himself that the ordinary process of law cannot be served on him. It is therefore Ordered, That publication be made in the Minerva, for three months, that defendant come forward on or before the next County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be held for the county of Wake, on the third Monday of February next, and replevy and plead, otherwise, judgment will be final and the property condemned to plaintiff's use.

B. S. KING C. C. 83-3m.

VALUABLE REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.—The undersigned offers for sale the following VALUABLE PROPERTY, (to wit:) in the town of Fayetteville, a BRICK HOUSE, three stories high, to be finished in the first style of elegance, suited to the accommodation of three families, and two stores. This property lies in one of the most favored situations for business, and is increasing in value daily. Also, in the city of Raleigh, a HOUSE & LOT, with six acres of land, near the Governor's residence. The house is new and large, and is among the most elegant mansions in the city, and is well adapted to the comfort and convenience of any gentleman who wishes to reside at the seat of government, for the purpose of health and pleasure. Also, two other valuable lots for family residence and business in the centre of the city. Likewise 1500 acres of land near the flourishing town of Milton, on the waters of H. C. creek. For all or any part of the above property a credit of one and two years will be allowed, the purchaser giving sufficient security. During my absence, I have appointed Mr. Kenneth Gills, of Raleigh, my agent to sell and make titles. Raleigh, August 12. 87-1f.

JOHN EVANS.

BLANKS. FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE.