

Poetical Department.

"LIKE ORIENT BARKS AT RANDOM STRONG." COME PLAY ME THE SIMPLE STRAIN AGAIN

This ballad is completely Moorish, and reminds us very much of the late author's early productions. The melody seems to be taken from a waltz. They are: Come, play me that simple strain again, I used to love in life's young day, And bring, if thou canst, the dreams that then were waken'd by that sweet lay.

MISCELLANEOUS.

From the Watchman of the South. EPHEMERA.

There is a passage of natural history, in Aristotle, concerning a species of insects that never outlive the day in which they are born, which appears to me to exemplify in a striking and delicate manner the vain judgment of man in contrasting the little span of human life with eternity. The idea is beautifully carried out in Dr. Franklin's Essays, taken originally, however, from Cicero's Tusculan questions.

He supposes one of the most robust of these insects to have commenced his existence at break of day, and from an uncommon strength of constitution to have lived an active life through the almost numberless minutes of twelve or fourteen hours. He acquired vast experience. He looked upon his fellow creatures who died about noon to have been happily delivered from the many inconveniences of old age. Near sun set, a swarm of insects, from one to two hours old, collect around him, and begin to import to them the fruits of his long experience and vast acquisitions. They meet, periphrastic, under the auspicious shelter of a mushroom, and the aged sage addresses them in the following words: Friends and fellow citizens! I perceive the longest life must, however, end; the period of mine is now at hand; neither do I repine at my fate, since my great age has become a burden to me, and there is nothing new to me under the sun; the changes and revolutions I have seen in my country, the manifold private misfortunes to which we are all subject, the fatal diseases incident to our race, have abundantly taught me this lesson, that no happiness is secure and lasting which is placed in things that are out of our power. Great is the uncertainty of life! A whole brood of our infants have perished in a moment by a keen blast! Shards of our straggling youth have been swept into the ocean by an unexpected breeze! What wretched consolation have we not suffered from a shower!

A TRICK OF WAR.

A more prudent of the Koickerbeker, in a well written article, mentions that, during the late war with Great Britain, he accidentally got possession of some of the signals of the British Navy, which he put into the hands of Commodore Rodgers, and he thus concludes his account: "Soon after the peace, dining with Commodore Rodgers, at his house in Washington, he related to me the following circumstance, which I give nearly in his own words: "I acknowledged the receipt of your letter," he observed, "and was determined to have the signals made on board, and to try the experiment, none of my officers understanding for what purpose they were intended. I cruised some time without meeting an enemy, until one afternoon we fell in with a schooner, some six or eight miles to windward of us. We hoisted the British ensign, which she answered by displaying another, and at the same time a signal which was not on our list. I immediately discovered that this was one of those you had given me. From the list of English frigates, I selected the number of the 'Sea Horse,' one of their largest class, and known to be on our coast, and toiled it. She bore down at once, and came under our stern; I ordered her to heave to, and I would send a boat on board of her.

"This order was obeyed, and I dispatched a lieutenant to bring her signal book; enjoying on him, and the crew, the strictest secrecy respecting our character. He was promptly received by the captain, whose schooner proved to be the 'Highflyer.' Our lieutenant's boat attracted his attention, not being of the latest London fashion, although the crew and anchor was on the bottom; but catching his eyes on the frigate, seeing the British ensign, and now and then the red coat of a marine appearing above the hammock-netting, his mind was apparently set at rest. "The lieutenant informed him that he was requested to bring his signal book on board the 'Sea Horse,' in order to have some alterations made,

as there was a rumor that the Yankees had possession of something like the signals, and it was, therefore, necessary to change the numbers! This ruse had the desired effect, and our lieutenant returned with the book, which placed me in command of the whole correspondence of the British Navy. I then sent the gig for the captain, requesting him to come on board, and bring any despatches he might have in charge.

"On reaching our deck, he seemed surprised at the size of the vessel, praised her cleanliness, and the order in which every thing appeared; admired the new red coats of the marines, and on being invited into the cabin, handed me a bundle of despatches for Admiral Warren, who, he observed, must be in 40 miles to leeward. I ordered refreshments, and, in company with several of my officers, we went into general conversation.

"I asked him what object Admiral Warren had in cruising in that neighborhood? He said, to intercept the American privateers and merchantmen, but particularly to catch Commodore Rodgers, who he had understood, had command of one of the largest and fastest sailing frigates in the American Navy! I inquired of him what kind of a man this Rodgers was, and if ever he had seen him? He said no; but he had understood that he was an odd character, and devilish hard to catch. After conversing on several other subjects, I abruptly put this question to him: "Sir, do you know what vessel you are on board of?"

"Why, yes, sir," he replied, "on board of his Majesty's ship, 'Sea Horse.' " "Then, sir, you labor under a great mistake. You are on board of the United States frigate 'President,' and Lam Commodore Rodgers, at your service."

"The dying dolphin never assumed a greater variety of colors than this poor fellow's face. "Sir," said he, "you are disposed to be humorous, and must be joking!" I assured him it was no joke; and to satisfy him on that head, handed him my commission. At the same moment, the hand struck up 'Yankee Doodle,' on our quarter deck; on reaching which, he saw the American ensign flying, the red coats of the marines turned blue, and the crown and anchor button metamorphosed into the eagle.

"This affair," observed the Commodore, "was of immense importance to our country. We obtained in full the British signals; the operations of Admiral Warren, by the non-receipt of his despatches, were destroyed for the season; and it probably saved the frigate, for the course I was running, at the time of my falling in with the Highflyer, would have brought me into the midst of his fleet during the night." G. B. New York, March, 1840.

A Romantic Adventure.—An English paper says, the following adventure has of late been the subject of much conversation. On an evening early in March last, about dusk, a commercial traveller was proceeding from Cheltenham to Gloucester in a gig, when he was accosted by a respectfully dressed lady, who informed him that she had been disappointed by the coach, and requested him to give her a seat in his gig to Gloucester. Commercial travellers are proverbially gallant and good natured; and the gentleman of the road in this instance possessed all the best characteristics of his "order." He was happy at the opportunity afforded him of being of the least service to the lady, whose petition was couched in the most moving accents, and delighted rather than otherwise with this good fortune, which had thrown such a companion in his way, he granted the request, and handed the lady to the seat at his side.

The lady's proportions were somewhat of the largest, and the arm which the traveller assisted as she sprang into the vehicle appeared capable of defending its possessor from any improper liberties. Whether this circumstance induced the traveller to cast his eye downwards to observe whether all proportions corresponded, or whether, like many other gentlemen of his craft, he boasted of being a connoisseur in fine ankles, he do not know; but the story goes, that while his eyes did wander toward the feet of his companion, his sight was far from being gratified by detecting something which bore very much the appearance of a man's trousers peeping from beneath a silk cloak and dounced petticoat.

All the comfortable reminiscences of past dangers, and all the anecdotes which he had ever heard or read from the "Newgate Calendar," came fresh to his recollection. He had no doubt he was being checked by jowl with a second Dick Turpin, who was only waiting a suitable opportunity to rob and perhaps to murder him. A lucky idea rose in his mind; he drew his silk handkerchief from his pocket, it fell into the road; it was a splendid "wipe," and as valuable as the one that an Egyptian gave to Ob-lo's mother; he could not think of losing it, but his horse was too hasty tempered to allow him to trust the reins into strange hands—a thousand apologies, but would the lady be kind enough to step out and pick up the handkerchief which was now some yards in the rear of the gig. The lady readily assented, and while she was performing the errand, the commercial gentleman gave the whip to his fiery courser, and soon left his suspicious fellow rogues far behind. When he felt it prudent to moderate his speed he discovered that the lady had left in the seat where she mentioned a handsome man, and putting his hand inside of it, he found a brace of pistols, loaded, capped, and baited; and with the usual and appropriate contents the traveller arrived safely in Gloucester, congratulating himself most heartily on the narrow escape which he had experienced.

Deacons' Cross.—A South Carolina paper relates a curious incident, which tells well for the moral character of some of the parties concerned—in one point at least. A gentleman, on finding that his cornfields were beset by great numbers of crows, stacked a quantity of corn in alcohol, and threw it forth as a special "treat." The unsuspecting spoilers swallowed the bait greedily, and soon began to manifest all sorts of funny consequences, being most frequently killed. They staggered about, even to undrily, as they stumbled towards a neighboring fiver; where they held a most loquacious and uproarious confab in the Cay-caw language, resulting in a resolution to avoid that shop in future; which resolution they faithfully fulfilled, after having regained their sober senses. (a lesson to other livers!) although they continued to plunder the neighboring fields in all directions.

The Hasty Lover.—A lover, on the point of marriage, was conversing with his sweet-heart on the Chinese custom of bandaging the foot of the female infants. He said he supposed it was done to keep them from gadding about, and that he approved of the custom. "Then," cried his sweet-heart, "a Chinese wife will beat suit you!" The jig was up. They never married.

ATTENTION!



SALISBURY GUARDS. YOU are hereby commanded to parade at the Court House, in the Town of Salisbury, on Saturday, the 4th of July next, at 9 o'clock, A. M., equipped in the uniform of the Company, and with six rounds of cartridge, for Company order. By order of the Captain. JOHN H. WEANT, C. S. Salisbury, May 29, 1840.

Tailoring Business. THE Subscriber keeps constantly on hand, a general assortment of READY MADE CLOTHING, for Gentlemen's wear, such as Coats, Pantalouses, and Vests, of good well made and fashionable. He is also prepared to cut, and make clothing in the most fashionable and durable style, and warranted to fit. He also, keeps a good assortment of Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings of the first quality, selected by himself in the New York Market, all of which he will sell low for Cash.

N. B. He still continues to teach the art of Cutting garments on the most approved plans of the best Tailors in New York and Philadelphia. Cutting for customers done on the shortest notice, and orders from a distance attended to with dispatch. His shop will be found at Mr. Cowley's large brick building. BENJ. F. FRALEY.

PIEDMONT HOUSE. THE Subscriber having purchased the Establishment and fitted it in a style for the accommodation of Travellers and Boarders, is now prepared for their reception. His TABLE will always be furnished with the best market can afford; his BAR with a good supply of choice Liquors; his BEDS shall always be kept in fine order; and his Stables (which are very extensive) are well supplied with Provender of the first quality, and attended by good and faithful hostlers.

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Administrator's Sale. WHERE will be sold, at public sale, on the 16th day of June next, at the late residence of Alexander Spoot, deceased, all the personal property belonging to the estate of said deceased, CONSISTING OF— Eight Head of Horses, Two Mules, Thirty head of Cattle, about 60 head of Hogs, 39 head of Sheep, about one thousand pounds of Bacon, three or four hundred bushels of Corn, four or five hundred bushels of Wheat, two Waggon and Harness, one Ox Cart, one set of Blacksmith tools, Farming Utensils, Household & Kitchen Furniture, about sixty acres of Oats, standing in the field, and a variety of other useful articles not herein mentioned. Also, at the same time and place, Twenty Negroes, belonging to said Estate will be fired out. The terms of Credit and other conditions will be made known on the day of sale. ARTHUR NEELY, Adm'r. New York, March 1840.

Book Bindery. W. M. HUNTER, Book-Binder, INFORMS the public that he still carries on an Establishment of the above kind in CHARLOTTE, North Carolina—a few doors south of the Market, as he conceives, a thorough knowledge of his business, he feels no hesitation in assuring those who may wish to patronize him, that their work shall be done in the very best style, strong, and so accommodating terms. Books and other articles sent from a distance to be bound, will be promptly attended to and carefully returned when done. The public are requested to give me a trial. Orders left at the Western Carolinian Office will be punctually forwarded for completion. Charlotte, Feb. 7, 1840.

NEW ESTABLISHMENT. IN MOCKSVILLE, DAVIE COUNTY, N. C. THOMAS FOSTER INFORMS the public that he has removed from his former stand, to his new buildings on the public square, in the Town of Mocksville, where he will continue to keep a HOUSE OF ENTERTAINMENT. His House is roomy and commodious; attached to which are six comfortable Offices for gentlemen of the Bar, all convenient to the Court House. The subscriber pledges himself to the most diligent exertions, to give satisfaction to such as may call on him. His Table, Bar and Stables are provided in the best manner that the country will afford, and his servants are faithful and prompt. Feb. 14, 1839. 74

Painting. THE Subscriber having located himself in the Town of Concord, would now offer his services to the Public, as an Ornamental and Sign Painter. He flatters himself that his long experience in the above Business, and the specimens of work he has executed in his time, will be a sufficient recommendation. He will also attend to any call made on him in the HOUSE PAINTING BUSINESS, and is confident he can give satisfaction to all who may employ him. The Public is respectfully requested to call and enquire, as he is determined to execute all work committed to him in the best possible manner. Also, Painting and Transferring all kinds of Carriages, done with neatness and dispatch. J. W. RAINEY. Concord, N. C., March 21, 1839.

SPRING & SUMMER GOODS. SPRINGS & SHANKLE HAVE just received from New York and Philadelphia, an extensive assortment of SPRING & SUMMER GOODS, CONSISTING OF— Dry Goods, Hardware, Tinware, Crockery, GROCERIES, Drugs and Medicines, Dye-Stuffs, Paints and Oil, Boots and Shoes, Saddlery, &c., &c. In short, their Stock comprises almost every article needed by the Farmer, Mechanic, or the Fashionables of the town or country. N. B. They will sell low for cash, or to practical dealers on time; or in exchange for country Produce. Concord, Jan. 17th, 1840.

Moffat's Life Pills & Bitters.

THESE medicines are indicated for their course to their numerous and sensible action in purifying the springs and channels of life, and exulting them with renewed vigor and energy. In many incurable cases which have been made public, and in almost every species of disease to which the human frame is liable, the happy effects of MOFFAT'S LIFE PILLS AND PHENIX BITTERS have been gratefully and publicly acknowledged by the persons benefited, and who were previously unacquainted with the beautifully philosophical principles upon which they are compounded, and upon which they consequently act.

The LIFE MEDICINES recommend themselves as a means of every description. Their first operation is to loosen from the coats of the stomach and bowels, the various impurities and crudities constantly settling around them; and to remove the hardened feces which collect in the convolutions of the small intestines. Other medicines only partially cleanse these, and leave such collected masses behind as to produce habitual constiveness, with all its train of evils, or sudden fluxions, with its imminent dangers. This fact is well known to all regular practitioners, who examine the human bowels after death; and hence the prejudice of these well informed men against quick medicines, or medicines prepared and heralded to the public by ignorant persons. The second effect of the Life Medicines is to cleanse the kidneys and the bladder, and by this means, the liver and the lungs, the treacherful action of which entirely depends upon the regularity of the urinary organs. The blood, which takes its exit either from the agency of the liver and the lungs before it passes into the heart, being thus purified by them, and nourished by food coming from a clean stomach, courses freely through the veins, renews every part of the system, and triumphantly mounts the banner of health in the blooming cheek.

Moffat's Vegetable Life Medicines have been thoroughly tested, and pronounced a sovereign remedy for Dyspepsia, Flatulency, Palpitation of the Heart, Loss of Appetite, Head-aches and Headache, Restlessness, Irritability, Anxiety, Languor and Melancholy, Constipation, Diarrhoea, Cholera, Fevers of all kinds, Rheumatism, Gout, Dropsies of all kinds, Gravel, Worms, Asthma and Consumption, Scurvy, Ulcers, Incurable Sores, Scorbatic Eruptions and Red Complexion, Eruptive eruptions, Sallow, Chloidy, and other disagreeable Complexions, Salt Rheum, Erysipelas, Common Colds and Influenza, and various other complaints which affect the human frame. In Fevers and Acute, particularly the Life Medicines have been most eminently successful; so much so, that in the Fever and Ague Districts, Physicians almost universally prescribe them.

All that Mr. Moffat requires of his patients is to be particular in taking the Life Medicines strictly according to the directions. It is not by a newspaper notice, or by any thing that he himself may say in their favor, that he hopes to gain credit. It is alone by the results of a fair trial.

MOFFAT'S MEDICAL MANUAL: designed as a domestic guide to health.—This little pamphlet, edited by W. B. Moffat, 375 Broadway, New York, has been published for the purpose of explaining more fully Mr. Moffat's theory of diseases, and will be found highly interesting to persons seeking health. It treats upon prevalent diseases, and the causes thereof. Price 25 cents—for sale by Mr. Moffat's agents generally. These Vegetable Medicines are for sale by CRESS & BOGER, Salisbury, N. C., May 1, 1840.

To the Public. THE Subscriber takes this method of informing the Public, that he still continues to carry on the business of CUTTING-STONE

as usual in the former place, where every thing of Salisbury, near the "Champion" race, where he is able to supply all orders for MILL-STONES of the best grade, and on the shortest notice. Sale at the lowest prices. WINDOW SILLS, DOOR SILLS, DOOR STEPS, ROUGH BLOCKS, ROCKS, TOMB STONES, GRAVE-HEADS, &c., &c. J. H. LISHOUSEL, Stone-Cutter, Salisbury, N. C., Feb. 1839. N. B. Orders for any of the above wrought articles, directed to Mr. J. H. Lishouse, will be punctually attended to. J. H.

Stone Engraving. THE Subscriber being seven miles south of Salisbury, wishes to inform the public, that he is now engaged in cutting and engraving on stone, and is able to execute any order in that line, on the shortest notice. He is ready to execute any work which may be called for in CUTTING-STONE, CUTTING, ENGRAVING, &c., and he assures those who may favor him with their orders, that unless well done according to contract, he will not do it. A complete large Dory Trough for sale, cut of Rock for the purpose of preserving milk cool. Apply to the Subscriber. EVOCHE E. PHILLIPS. November 28, 1838.

To Owners of Mills. THE Subscriber has an improved patent Spindle for Mill, which will do much better than the usual form of Spindles. It is so constructed as to keep the flour from getting into the mill in any manner. The runner is confined by the Spindle as it were to preserve its balance, and of course there is no rattling of the stones. I think, by this improved Spindle, the same water will do at least one-third more business, and the mill of superior quality. Any person wishing to use one of these Spindles, may obtain one or more, by making application, (with an amount equal to the Subscriber at Mocksville, Va. N. C.) to the proprietor, and will not be disappointed. The following persons have my Patent Mill Spindle in successful operation.—Col. W. F. Kelly, Thos. Foster, Joseph Hill and Sam'l. Foster of Davie County; Gilbert, Patten and Thos. E. Ramont of Lincoln; Charles Griffith of Rowan; Addison Moore of Dav. Co., and W. H. Dine of Surry, all of whom are highly pleased with its performance. L. M. GILBERT. October 25, 1838.

Five Cents Reward. RUNAWAY from the Subscriber, on the 21st of April, 1838, a Black Girl, by the name of Nancy Ellis. I will give the above Reward, but no thanks for her apprehension and delivery to me; and I caution all persons against harboring or employing said Nancy, at the penalty of the law. THOMAS MYERS. Revere County, June 3, 1840.

MATCHLESS SANATIVE. THIS invaluable Medicine is for sale by the Subscriber, at Middleburg, Montgomery Co., N. C. W. E. BURAGE. February 21, 1840.

LA LATH, Grandchild by the AMERICAN ECLIPSE, the Champion of America—Winner of the Great Match Race, the North against the South—\$20,000 aside!

THE THOROUGH-BRED HORSE, LATH, BRED by Col. Wade Hampton of South Carolina, will make his second Season at Salisbury, which commenced on the 21st ultimo, and will end on the 20th of June next, at \$20 the Season, and \$30 to insure, the money to be paid as soon as the Mare is ascertained to be in foal, or the property changes owners; and fifty cents to the groom. Mares sent from a distance will be well attended to, and fed with grain at 30 cents per day. To those that wish it, a good lot will be furnished gratis; but in no instance will I be responsible for accidents or escapes. R. W. LONG. Salisbury, N. C., March 13, 1840.

PEDIGREE: I Certify that LATH was bred by me, and that he was foaled in the Spring of 1833. He was got by Godolphin, his dam Pocahontas, by Sir Archy; his grand-dam Young Lottery, also by Sir Archy, out of Col. Singleton's celebrated Lottery, by imported Bedford out of the imported mare Alvilina. Godolphin was got by Eclipse; his dam Sylph, by Hephrestion out of Lottery by imported Bedford, &c. Hephrestion was got by the imported Bazzard out of the dam of Sir Archy. DESCRIPTION, PERFORMANCE, &c. LATH is a fine bay, without white, 15 hands 3 inches high, with good bone and capital action. At three years old, he won the produce stake at Columbia, two mile heats, beating Mr. Taylor's filly, Daisy and Captain Spain's colt. Convention, and others paying forfeit. Two weeks afterwards he won the jockey club purse, three mile heats, at Augusta, beating Kate and dancing Black Bird. At Charleston, he was beaten by Clodpooter for the jockey club purse, three mile heats; being very much amused, he was drawn after the first heat. At 4 years old, he won the jockey club purse, four mile heats, at Camden, beating Sir Kenneth and Clodpooter in these heats; losing the first in consequence of bolting when several lengths in advance of the field, just before he reached the Judge's stand; and getting entangled amongst the stables, he sustained an injury which occasioned his withdrawal from the turf. Lath was a race horse of the first class, who he evoked in his trials with Bay Mare, Charlotte Russe, and Kitty Heath, and in point of blood he is inferior to none, whether imported or native. His constitution is robust, he having never been sick, and his temper good. His color, form, and action speak for themselves. In a word, Lath unites in himself as many claims to public patronage as any young Stallion that I know. WADE HAMPTON. Willwood, Jan. 22, 1839.

From the above certificate of Col. Hampton, who bred and had Lath trained for the Turf, it will be seen that he considered him a race horse of the first class—not only from the races he has mentioned as having run publicly, but from private trials he has made with horses which are now on the Turf, and running with considerable success. It is to be observed by his conduct, that he considered Lath of the purest blood—not to be surpassed by any horse, imported or native. I consider it entirely unnecessary to attempt to eulogize Lath, either by his performances on the Turf or as to his blood, since in every respect he is so well attested;—but will remark, that Lath has not only descended from pure blood, but has come from stock both sire and grand-sire, dam and grand-dam, that are of the running blood. For instance, his sire Godolphin, made his four mile in 7 minutes and 50 seconds; his grand-sire, the American Eclipse, so well known at the north and south, made his time in the great match race, the north against the south, \$20,000 aside, in 7 minutes and 37 seconds, which Eclipse won with considerable eclat. This race gained him the memorable name of the champion of the north. His dam sired by the renowned Sir Archy, whose reputation as a racer, &c., stands unquestioned, both in England and America.—The grand dam of Lath, Old Lottery, bred by the great southern amateur of horses, Col. R. Singleton of South Carolina, has produced more fine race horses than any other mare in the Union. Thus, it will be seen that there is united in Lath two of the best sires in the south, Hampton's and Singleton's, crossed with Gen. Cole's of the north. The public is now presented with such an opportunity of improving the blood of that noble and useful animal, the Horse, as rarely occurs in the section of country.—And the public can have, in addition, in a short time, the opportunity of judging more satisfactorily of Lath's blood, &c., by his colts of last Spring's crop, as it is expected there will be many of them dropped by mares in the section in a few days. As a sure foot getter Lath stands almost unrivalled, as a prep by his last Spring's services—so few of the large number of mares put to him not proving in foal. R. W. L.

N. B. Mares sent from a distance will be sent to him at home, as he will not be removed from his stable in Salisbury, under any circumstances during the Season. (March 13, 1840.)

BRICK MASONRY.

THE SUBSCRIBER living near Lexington, Davie County, takes this method to inform the Public that he will enter into contract with any person or persons, either in Davidson, Rowan, or Cabarrus Counties, who wish houses, factories, or any other kind of building erected of Brick, to build them on cheap, and durable and in the best style as any workman in the country. He will also, mould and burn the Brick, if wanted, in a place that he has long experience in. MOULDING AND LAYING BRICK will entitle him to a share of public patronage. He would refer gentlemen wishing work done in his Line of Business, to the Female Academy and the new prof. Clerk's office in Salisbury, as specimens of his work. DAVIDSON, April 18, 1839. ROBERT COX.

MOFFAT'S LIFE PILLS & BITTERS. THE LIFE GIVING PILLS AND PHENIX BITTERS, so celebrated, and so much used by the afflicted in every part of the country, is now received and for sale by the Subscriber. CRESS & BOGER, Agents. Salisbury, N. C. See advertisement—April 4, 1840.