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FOR THE CAROLINA CENTINEL. THE MUTINY.

The absorbing interests of the Neapolitan War, have perhaps obliterated the remembrance of the Mutiny which forms the subject of the following lines .- It occurred in January last, on board the ship Of his, nor shrieks of hers, Kate of London, captain George Purdy, during her passage from Berbice to Halifax. The circumstances are authenticated by the confession of the miserable wretches who achieved the horrid crime and who now await, in a Guadaloupe, dungeon, the stern punishment their guilt deserves .- The recovery of the boat in which poor Purdy and his fellow sufferers were so cruelly embarked, has recently determined their catastrophe beyond a doubt.

Et dulces moriens reminiscitur Argos. VIRGIL.

Twas winter-but the soft blue sky, And silvery rack that floated by, Wore summer's mildness : - and a gale, That scarcely fill'd her snowy sail, Wafted the ship in white-wing'd pride,

Like joyous swan on lakelet tide. A playful infant o'er her lee, Charm'd with the blue and sparkling sea, Whose living surface rose and fell, Gently as love's own bosom swell; Now archly bent his list'ning ear The rippling of its waves to hear; Now wistful pointed to the snow That wreath'd around the onward prow, And now had leapt, in his delight, To seize the flood that look'd so bright; But sweet maternal love stood by, With fond and ever watchful eye; And check'd with smile of mimic glee, The wish of reckless infancy. There too, the manly father stood, Like regent of the subject flood: And, thrilling with the placid scene Of ocean calm and sky serene, Exulting felt his bounding bark, Plough homeward thro' the billows dark : And as he gazed upon the pair, Whose lives were all his ocean care; The wife, whose smile alone was bliss; The infant, whose soft artless kiss,  $\Lambda$  proof of love so pure and true, Was balm for all the ills he knew; His ardent fancy soar'd away Where all their anxious wishes lay: Imagin'd every peril past, Sweet home itself regain'd at last. Quick, bright the gushing teardrop fell, At thought of scene belov'd so well. His Mary saw these feelings rise, In glistening rapture to his eyes; And, with a kindred thrill of joy, In silent bliss hung o'er her boy. "Yes, Mary! soon the voyage o'er, Our feet shall press dear Albion's shore: And oh! how sweet repose will be, When past the turmoil of the sea! How pleasant! at the social board, With friends and all their smiles restored, To dwell upon our trials past, And tell the horrors of the blast : To paint the ship, when wild winds urge Her groaning timbers through the surge; Or when, high pois'd on mountain wave, She trembles o'er a watery grave. These scenes, to you so fearful now, These scenes-to memory will glow-Exquisite as the summer bow, Painted indeed upon the storm, But cloth'd in sun-beam's fairest for m. Your fears no more shall mark each cloud Unfold, in gloom, your Henry's shroud; But all the aspects, Heaven shall wear, Assure you of th' Almightv's care." Instinctively, each rais'd an eye Of gladness to the glorious sky;

So often view'd with boding fear,

But now the pledge of hopes most dear.

They gazed as ravish'd by a spell, And heartfull neither spoke: That melting pause -the hideous yell

Of savage mut'ny broke. Like thunder peal from sudden cloud, Burst the wild death cry, fierce, and loud Seize! seize them!' is the boatswain's cry Purdy, and Wife, and Child must die. To boat! to boat!-perchance 'twillsave A few hours " respite from the grave !" 'Twas vain t' oppose the fiendish crew, Sire, Wife, and Child, perforce they threw Into the toppling boat ;-nor prayers Nor even childhood's artless tears, Could move the ruthless mutineers. "Away! away!" the vessel's gone, The wanderers on the deep alone. Where were thy thunders gracious heaver That burst not the avenging levin? Why did not instant lightnings leap, To whelm the monsters in the deep? Twas, that accumulated wrath Might gather o'er the pirates' path, And break where myriads should see, And tremble at their destiny. And now, how look'd their victim group

At once bereft of ev'ry hope, And tossing, hairhung on the ocean, Sport of ev'ry billow's motion ?-Astonishment and mute despair, Reign'd for an awful moment there. The infant first, wept loud to see His mother's speechless agony; And round her neck his arms he flung, And closer to her bosom clung; And shrinking from the chilly spray, Implor'd her keep the waves away. And she with all a mother's wile, Strove to forget her fate and smile, And forc'd a feeble gleam of joy, To cheer her little shivering boy. The father struggled too to wear The look of hope, in his despair; And tried to sooth his Mary's grief, With treach'rous promise of relief: And then he rose, and stretch'd his gaze, For object his own hopes to raise. Far as his eye could wing its glance, Across the boundless drear expanse; He saw one lessening sail alone, That sail so recently his own, It mocks his aching sight-'tis gone! One stifled groan of deep distress, His manly frame could not suppress: On Mary's tingling ear it fell, The fatal omen of her knell; And broke from her the long wild shriek, That tells the anguish'd heart must break. Now gathering night shut out the day, And gloomier made their trackless way; But Mary's frantic shriek no more, Was heard amid the breaker's roar: Madness had eased her burning brain, And, laughing at the raging main, She clasp'd her babe, and thus beguil'd His sighs to rest, in breathings wild. Hush thee, my darling! thy cradle's a boat, And thy rockers the waves of the deep

And hark ! hear the winds,--'tis their lullaby note,

To sing my sweet Henry to sleep. Yes! sleep, little Henry! sweet, sweet is

Of the gull, on the foam of the sea! And you, dearest infant ! on ocean's soft

Shalt sleep sweeter, deeper, than he! 'Twas the swan's dying note,

When she pours o'er the wave; The music that wakes not again: The morrow's sun rose on a tenantless

And Mary the lovely-and Purdy the brave,

With Henry slept deep in the main.

## LEARNED LADIES.

A person who frequently attended the Royal Institution, and who was both astonished and delighted with the numerous attendance of the fair sex at these scientific lectures, observed with a smile somewhat Sardonic, that he saw great advantage arising from that circumstance, as he was sure that for the future the seiences would no longer have any secrets.

## POLITICAL.

From the Washington Gazette.

ITALY is trampled down by the hoofs of the Holy Alliance; Gaeta, the Gibraltar of Naples, has received an Austrian garrison, as well as every fortress in every state from north to south. " That beautiful country seems to have been dressed by nature as a victim." Those severe remarkers who have asserted that "every nation deserves its fate, whatever it may be," would not apply their reflexion to the present disaster, -of which all are not guilty. It seems to have had one of its immediate causes in the disaffection of the nobles (unworthily so call ed) to independence. They would probably have befriended a national government, if they could have monopolized the ribbons and powers appurtenant to a house of lords. For, England &c. have widely propagated the contagious love of distinction. Names and toys, "my lords" and gewgaws outweigh the estimate of rational liberty, public good and true dignity. Had the dictators not intermeddled

with their bayonets, the improving sense of the people might have corrected this silly pretension—the population of beggars and slaves would have become men, and the revolution had been confirmed .-But, there was not time for consolidating the new order of things; the despots rushed in, and reversed the course of reform. Probably the revolutionary generals and the more intelligent of the people did their duty, as well as Pepe; while the base rabble and baser nobles hailed their Austrian masters with loud acclaim. Those "nobles" posted away by dozens to pay homage to old king Ferdinand, a traitor and a perjurer, who is represen- has returned in the Panther, lately arrivted as having been "busy at Florence in giving God solemn thanks for the success of the Austrians over his rebel subject, the Carbonari. Since then, the heter ogeneous materials of Piedmont and Naples could not be assimilated; since different interests, and would not make one common cause of a national quarrel, we lean them (who would not protect themselves) to the paternal arms of the sage Francis. If he would not tolerate a couple of common lancasterian schools at Milan, but rooted them up as noxious weeds, what leaf of learning will he suf-

fer in Naples or Sardinia? A more systematic effort than we heretofore remember, is making by the Greeks in several provinces to throw off the Ottoman yoke. "Alexander, the Deliverer," hastens to appease the jealousies of the Grand Sultan, by an official declaration from Laybach: The Russian Emperor assures the Turkish Emperor, that he had not instigated the revolt of the Greeks; and he might have added: "I am too busily engaged, my beloved cousin, in eradicating the hated seeds of liberty from Christendom, to think of harming thy divine empire, or of compassing thy downfall. There must be but two casts in this sublunary world, lords and serfs. We who, by divine hereditary right belong to the former must beware of dissention, while the latter are raving about the lunatic doctrines of equal rights. Let us act the brotherly part of coadjutors in chaining down the maniacs."

It is not yet very clear for what particular object Russia directs the movements of her army in Volhinia, &c. Will her success (for hers it really is) in Italy stimulate her to overthrow the new governments of Spain and Portugal; and is there any truth in a demand of a passage through France? Distance and possible contingencies render such a project doubtful; how anxious soever Alexander may be to enslave the human race.

FROM THE BALT, FEDERAL GAZRTTE.

The Austrian government has not only suppressed two Lancasterian schools at Milan, but has published a decree, abolishing throughout the whole of its Italian dominions, a school established on that system. Doubtless the same iron hand will also endeavor to crush all schools in Naples and Sicily, -in Rome, Florence and Turin, despotism itself would do more than frown, if it dare, on the Lancasterian institution, in which sons of Spanish Princes and Nobles are

educated at Madrid! We live in a strange eventful period, teeming with improvement, change and revolution. Despotism, with all its armies, councils and treasures, trembles in its strong hold at the march of knowledge, and from the hands of an Imperial tyrant like the Emperor of Austria. Proscription and persecution are the highest compliments that can be paid to the advances of civilization and science-but accustomed, as well informed men now are, to a succession of historical prodi-

and arbitrary wickedness; but the Emperor of Austria is entitled to a PATENT for the invention of a Royal Extinguishcovering of barbarous Ignorance, and la Bethisy. The one, a druggist, lately thus exterminiate their mental existence. | wedded the young and lovely daughter can put a useful system of knowledge under the bar of its empire.

"The tyrant's rule must be o'er darken'd

The tiger's home—the darkness of a den! But where true freedom reigns, no fear she knows,

That man should learn the blessigs she

And ALL her children, civilized and free, More nobly love the land of LIBERTY

## MISCELLANEOUS.

SCIENCE, LITERATURE AND THE ARTS. From the National Advocate.

The Hippopotamus.-The Courier Fran-

cais contains the following interesting

Lalande, a distinguished naturalist sent by the French government to Africa, ed at Bordeaux, & has brought with him, among other objects of value a hippopotamus of the largest size, an adult rhinoceros bicornis, and three whales of 75, 36 and 18 feet in length. He himself obtained the hippopotamus and the rhinoceros; the whales were stranded on the shore. It was he also that prepared the skeletons and skins of these monsters. Of these achievements, which all do equal honor to the courage, address and activity of the intrepid naturalist, the most important acquisition to science is that of the hippopotamus. We had no whole skeleton of this animal, and a scale of comparison was wanting by which to judge of its fossil remains, such as they are found in France. After waiting six months in the Savannas, Mr. Lalande a last met with the monster, 6 feet high and 12 feet long. His walk made noise similar to four washerwomen al ternately beating linen against stones But no language can express the frightful tumult of his direct and rapid course when mortally wounded; he endeavored precipitately to gain the water overturning every thing in his way; his eyes swimming in blood, seemed to dart fire: his throat was agitated with convulsive motions; he gnashed his grinders and vomited frothy blood; while two long jets of blood started from his nostrils. His bellowing and roaring rolled in the woods like thunder, and the ground trembled under his feet. A second shot, fired close at his ear, stretched him lifeless .-Ten yoke of oxen were unable to draw his gigantic body out of the woods .-Lalande was obliged to cut it to pieces on the spot, and to construct hastily a round it a rampart of reeds and bamboos, to protect it from wild beast .-Great strength of mind was certainly requisite to preserve a necessary sang froid at sight of this animal; but much greater must have been the firmness and impassiveness of Lalande to have dissected such a mass of flesh with all care and precision necessary to the operation, under the burning sun, and in so torrid a climate that putrefaction in twenty-four hours occurs in all its most hideous and disgusting stages.

The Diving Machine. - An experiment was lately tried at Vienna, with a machine invented by a Hungarian, named Francis Farkas; he calls it the plunging dolphin. With it one may plunge into the water to any depth, in rivers, in lakes, or the sea,; walk at the bottom of the water; use freely the hands and feet; rise at will without assistance, or remain at any depth without interruption or effort .- The trial of the dolphin took place at the military school of Proter; a great number of distinguished persons were present. The plunger sunk at the deph of 24 feet; walked over the whole square of the swimming school, and remained an hour under water, supplied with a light. He rose, because ordered to return, but not from a want of air, which can never happen with this machine.

Magnetic Fluid .- The French physicians continue to examine with all their

gies rising so quickly on the vein, that superiority of talent, the discovery made once often speedily obliberates the traces at Copenhagen by Mr. Oersted. The and recollections of its immediate precur- learned Dane proves by experiments the sor: yet it is something more than even identity of the magnetic and galvanic fluimagination has yet prefigured, or pro- ids. For the last month, several new phecy itself foretold, that a Nero or Caligu- and important facts, which result from la should declare war against the liber- this discovery, have been stated by ties of mankind, with a fire brand in one Messrs. Ampere, Arago and Biot. The hand, and in the other a flaming decree success of these learned men has awakagainst knowledge and science.-Herod ened the activity of their rival, Sir Hummassacred the innocent in hopes to pre- phrey Davy; and letters from London serve a crown, which was endangered by announce that the English Chemist is innothing more than his own blind policy defatigably employed in experiments on the same subject.

New Law Case .- A law suit has commenced between two celebrated persons er, by which at one stroke, he proposes from the quay de la Feraille and rue de Things are not so in the land which lib- of one of his friends, and placed her beerty has called to true glory—where no hind the hereditary counter. A very armed despot, no unhallowed alliance fine pair of cassimer inexpressibles were ordered at the nighboring tailor's; these were to figure on the wedding day. The groom requested that they should be made tight; and the tailor selected for the purpose a refuse kind of cloth called in trade les brulies. However, that be, the groom, in the joy of such a day, did not exemine his small clothes as closely as he should have done, and proudly strutted off to church, but, in going out, (horrible to tell) the stay yielding to the pressure of the body, cracked, broke, and exploded on every side. The hat alone of the misrable man placed sometimes on the one, sometimes on the other solution of continuity, remedied very little this terrible accident. Now, must the druggist pay for the making of a pair of breeches torn of their own act? The tailor must be the victim of the weakness of the cassimer which he furnished? These are the grounds of this trial, which furnishes a fruitful subject to all the gossips of that quarter.

Jefferson, (N. Y.) May 4.

GREAT HUNTING AND SHARP SHOOTING. Few examples of successful hunting can be found that will bear comparison, under similar circumstances with the following. The hunting was done from a single camp, and on ground contiguous to an old settled country. The hunters suffered great inconvenience from crowding upon each other, and had they not possessed skill of the highest order, and been animated by the most enthusiastic zeal, their success must have been very

About the middle of November last, a select company, consisting of Mr. Elijah Sexton, jr. capt. N. Hodskin, Mr. H. Parker, of Chenango county, and Lieut. T. Simons, of Chataque county, encamped in the woods, about 12 miles east from Lowville, for the purpose of hunting; they were joined early in December by Mr. E. G. Potter, and occasionally visited by Dr. S. Guthrie, (who however, hunted but little,) both of Jefferson county. The company left the woods the last of December, having killed 190 deer, 1 panther, 1 eagle, besides a large number of other animals. The 5 first named hunters, killed in eighteen days, 124 deer, 1 panther, 1 eagle, 1 fisher, 15 martin, and shot one wolf through the body.

The number of deer respectively killed by each of those five hunters were nearly equal. Mr. Sexton however, had the greatest number, while Mr. Potter killed a greater number than any one else, after he joined the party. The number of deer, killed on each hunting day was from six to thirteen.

For the precision of shooting in this excursion, probably a parallel cannot be found. Their shots were almost invariably fatal. Mr. Potter made 32 shots in the whole, including 4 shots made at. deer upon the run, and killed 28.

The following example of the ardor with which this little band devoted themselves to the chase may not be uninter-

A Panther made his appearance near camp about the last of November. The party had no dogs, but they determined upon a chase. In a short time he was started, but after a rapid pursuit through swamps and windfalls for twelve hours, it was found Impossible to bring him to battle and he escaped.

The track of a Panther had been seen in the wilderness, east of Beaver river lake, in the September preceding, and it was decided that this panther must be hunted up, and brought into camp.-On an extreme cold morning in December, Messrs. Sexton and Simons, with two dogs, started for this object; they travelled in a north-eastern direction about 14 miles, when they fortunately found a track, but the panther had been gone 4 or 5 days. They had made no preparation to lie out, and had taken no nourishment with them; the snow was of considerable depth, and the travelling labo rious, they had already made great ex