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THE WEEKLY MONITOR. XXII. OF A SENSE OF THE DIVINE PRESENCE, AND ITS INFLUENCE ON THE CONDUCT OF MANKIND.

It has been always a subject of regret among the thinking part of mankind, that our virtuous resolutions fail, too frequently, to produce good actions; that the best of us are quicker to perceive, than willing to perform our duty; and, I believe the admission of our Saviour, will be found, on examination, to evince an intimate acquaintance with the human heart.

And yet, how little do we suffer this awful doctrine to influence our lives and conduct! We feel ourselves surrounded by the immensity of him, in whom we live and move and have our being; and our hearts assure us that we are continually in his presence; yet we run our course of inconsiderate folly, as if there daily were no over-awful eye to watch us, no unerring hand to mark down what is done amiss.

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pronounce of a mind, which in the train of millions of thoughts, has wandered to all things, under the sun, to all the permanent objects, or vanishing appearances in the creation; but never fixed its thoughts on the supreme reality; never approached like Moses, to see this grand sight!

He who is entering on the pursuit of some criminal gratification, or ready to engage in some unlawful design, let him once be fully persuaded that the Almighty sees and watches him; and, while yet lingering on the verge of ruin, let him pause for a moment, and ask himself this question, "how can I sin against God, and do this great evil in his sight?"

I do not say that such an argument is irresistible; and must inevitably conquer the evil principle; but if this fail, I know of none that is likely to succeed. It will be in vain to look for motives of greater power; the hand of Heaven can alone arrest him in his swift progress to destruction.

To the good man the belief of the Divine presence is full of consolation. To know that "he who sees in secret, will one day reward him openly," animates him in his struggle against the corruption of his nature; and turns his sighs of penitence into songs of joy. To feel that the God, who is all gracious and all powerful, is eternally with him, illumines the dark hour of adversity, and enables him to say with the poet, "When ev'n at last the solemn hour shall come, And wing my myrtle flight to future worlds, I cheerful will obey—I cannot go, Where universal love smiles not around, Sustaining all you orb, and all their suns From seeming evil still educing good, And better things again, and better still, In infinite progression."

Let us, then, cultivate an habitual consideration of this serious truth. Let us never forget that when we are most alone, we are in the company of him who fills both Heaven and earth with his glory. And how can we better enkindle our pious meditations, than by calling to mind the fine strains of David, never losing sight of that fervent prayer which concludes his song:—"O Lord, thou hast searched me out, and known me;—thou art about my path, and about my bed, and spies out all my ways.—Whither shall I go then from thy spirit, or whither shall I go then from thy presence? If I climb up into Heaven, thou art there; if I go down into Hell, thou art there also. If I take the wings of the morning, and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea; even there also shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. If I say, peradventure, the darkness shall cover me; then shall my night be turned to day; Yes, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day; the darkness and light to thee are both alike.—Try me, O God! and seek the ground of my heart; prove me, and examine my thoughts; look well if there be any way of wickedness in me; and lead me in the way everlasting."

ADVICE TO MOTHERS. The following letter, from the late Lord Collingwood to Mrs. Hall, contains some valuable advice to mothers:—"I had great pleasure," writes his lordship, "in the receipt of your very kind letter a few days since, and give you joy, my dear Maria, on the increase of your family. You have now three boys, and I hope they will live to make you happy when you are an old woman. I am truly sensible of the kind regard you have shown to me in giving my name to your infant; he will bring me to your remembrance often; and then you will think of a friend who loves you and all your family very much. With a kind and affectionate husband and three small children, all boys, you are happy, and I hope will ever be so. But three boys!—let me tell you, the chance is very much against you, unless you are ever on your guard. The temper and disposition of most people are formed before they are seven years old; and the common cause of bad ones is the great indulgence and mistaken fondness which the affection of a parent finds it difficult to veil, though the happiness of a child depends upon it. Your measures must be systematic; whenever they do wrong, never omit to reprove them firmly, but with gentleness. Always speak to them in a style and language rather superior to their years. Proper words are as easily learnt as improper ones; and when they do well—when they deserve commendation—bestow it lavishly.

"Let the feeling of your heart flow from eyes and tongue; and they will never forget the effect which their good behaviour has upon their mother, and this at an earlier time of life than is thought. I am very much interested in their progency, and that they may become good and virtuous men, I am glad that you think my daughters are well-behaved girls. I took much pains with them the little time I was at home. I endeavored to give them a contempt for the nonsense and frivolity of fashion, and to establish in its stead a conduct founded on reason. They could admire thunder and lightning as any other of God's stupendous works, and walk through a church-yard at midnight without apprehension of meeting any thing worse than themselves. I brought them up not to make grivels of trifles, nor suffer any but what were inevitable."

BECKWITH'S PILLS.—Fresh supplies of these valuable and well known Pills may always be had by applying at the Drug Store of Thos. L. Jump and William M. Mason & Co. in this City. May 22, 49.

FROM THE BOSTON CHRISTIAN REGISTER. AUCTIONEER AND OLD CLOCK. The clock which for many years hung in the interior of the "old brick" meeting house in this city, after various fortunes lately fell into the hands of the auctioneer. At the time of the sale, the auctioneer actually delivered the following speech, which we have been permitted to publish. We venture to affirm, that a more appropriate and witty speech never fell from the lips of the most celebrated orators at vendues:

"Here is the relic of the early days of our country's annals, a remnant saved; antique of its kind; and venerable for every association connected with its history—the old church clock—bearing a mark of patriarchal longevity in the date, that speaks in one hundred and eighteen years of age. Yet while it has ticked and struck off the thousands and tens of thousands who have looked on its calm face, into eternity, it is still in good time, and going, going!

Though its existence was begun in the land of kings, moved by the spirit of our pious fathers, it followed them to the land of pilgrims, and was consecrated to serve in the House of God, whom they came hither to worship as the children of his kingdom, and not as spiritual slaves to earthly despotism. This sober, ever-going clock, came over in the days of caution and sanity. It came when a sea voyage was a serious thing, and religion a serious thing, and a church clock a serious thing. It counted the moments, while the minister of God was preaching, and his hearers listening of eternity.—It echoed his text, "Take heed how ye hear." Then was there real clock work and order in men's minds and principles. Vanity did not then stare this venerable nosotro in the face, and study the while how to display its plumage. Avarice did not dare, under its measured "tick," to be planning in the temple how to lay up goods for many years. Nor was pride then puffed up by the breath of its own nostrils, while this minute-hand was showing its duration cut shorter at the beat of every pulse. Now, who will let this venerable memento of those days be desecrated? Who will not wish to possess himself of it, as a relic of the age of simplicity and godly sincerity? Look at its aged but unwrinkled face. It is calm; for it has not to answer for the sermons it has heard. Look at it, ye degenerate sons of New-England! Do ye not seem to see the shade go back on the dial-plate to the days of your fathers, and to hear the voices of those aged servants of God, who went from their preaching to their reward? I would speak more, but the hour is come. To whom shall it be sold?"

GRAND LOTTERIES FOR JUNE. D. S. Gregory & Co. Managers. VIRGINIA STATE LOTTERY.—For enjoying the Leeburg Academy and for other purposes.—Class No. 5, for 1840.—To be drawn at Alexandria, Va. on Saturday 18th June 1840.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY LOTTERY, Class No. 6, for 1840.—To be drawn at Jersey City, N.J. on Saturday, 20th of June, 1840.

WILLIAM L. FOWLER having purchased the Stock, the business will be conducted under his name, and no credit given, owing to the pressure of the times. W. L. FOWLER. Raleigh, May 23, 1840.

NOTICE.—TAKEN UP and committed to the Jail of Anson County, on the 17th of December last, a Negro Man, who calls himself TOM, and says he belongs to JOHN SMITH, of Anson County, and was bought of DANIEL WILLIAMS, of Robeson County, in this State. Said Negro is about 5 feet 10 inches high, stout built, copper colored, and apparently about 24 years of age. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away; or he will be dealt with as the law directs. Y. H. ALLEN, Sheriff. Wadesboro, Dec. 14, 1839. 5-5m

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MEMOIRS & LETTERS OF MADAME MAILLON, by the Countess de Meillon. Just published and for sale by TURNER & HUGHES. (Star.) 40 May 19, 1840.

LAW NOTICE & GENERAL LAND AGENCY.—HENRY B. S. WILLIAMS, Attorney at Law, will attend to the adjustment and collection of claims throughout the Western District of Tennessee, and also act as Gen'l Land Agent in selling land and clearing old disputed titles. Persons residing at a distance, especially North Carolinians, whose interest is so extensive in this country, would do well to notice more strictly the situation of their Land claims.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA, Berkeley County, Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1840. James R. Raper vs. James V. Russell, Attachment. B. B. Russell, Garnishee. It appearing to the satisfaction of this Court, that James V. Russell has removed beyond the limits of this State: It is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Raleigh Register for six weeks, for the said James V. Russell to make his appearance at our next Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, and defend the said suit, or Judgment by default will be entered against him.

LANDS FOR SALE.—The following valuable property is now offered for sale, to wit: Half Lot No. 3885, 4th district, Wilkinson county. Precinct No. 3, 5th do do (104 1/2 ac.) 227, 13th do Lee. 255, do do do 259, 3d do do 241, 12th do do 140, 3d do do 161, 14th do 2d sec. Cherokee 1086, 3d do 1st do do Nos. 23 & 30, Starkeville, Lee co. (own lots) Seven hundred and twenty acres, Tr. call county on the A. Tamahaw River, adjoining lands of Ambrose Gordon and others.

PROSPECTUS OF THE ALABAMA HERALD. The Subscribers propose to establish in the Town of BARBOURVILLE, Wilcox County, a weekly Newspaper, entitled the ALABAMA HERALD, to be devoted to Political, Agricultural, Literary and Miscellaneous Intelligence. In addition to the importance of a Press in Wilcox, in a political point of view, the convenience and interest of the people of this and the neighboring counties require that a Paper should be established in this region, congenial to its feelings and devoted to its interests. The growing importance of this section of South Alabama, and the wants of its citizens, give every assurance that we will be liberally sustained in the enterprise. And being practical Printers, we flatter ourselves that we will be able to render the Paper at once respectable and interesting.

STAGE FARE reduced from Raleigh to Wadesboro, and Goldsboro.—From this date hereof, TWO DOLLARS only will be demanded from Passengers for Stage Fare from Raleigh to Wadesboro, or Goldsboro. This Stage leaves Raleigh three times a week, via Smithfield, viz: on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. RALEIGH, April 4, 1840. E. F. GUION.

ALVARADO OR MULTIBOLDED COTTON SEED.—We have a small lot of the above, sent to us from Charleston, S. C. on sale. Price, 5 cents per seed. These seeds were grown from seed which bore 30 cents a piece in South Carolina and Georgia. Call at the North Carolina Book Store. April 17, 39.

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SALE OF VALUABLE LANDS.—The Subscribers will offer for sale, on Monday, the 1st day of June, next, at the Dwelling House of the late Newton Wood, the following Tracts of LAND, in Wake County, pursuant to a decree of the Court of Equity, directing the sale, for the purpose of division; viz: "The Manor Tract, containing 1000 acres, adjoining Hartwell Horton and others, on which there is a comfortable dwelling house, and all other necessary out houses. One other Tract, of about 600 acres, on Buffington, on which there is a good Dwelling and out houses, and a good Tract and Saw Mill, adjoining the lands of Paul Ferral, Benj. Marriot and others. Another Tract, known as the Chamby tract, containing about 200 acres, on which there is a Dwelling and out houses, adjoining the lands of Benj. Marriot, and others. Another Tract, known as the Murphy tract, containing about 150 acres, adjoining the lands of Jos. Jones, and others. And one other Tract known as the Rubin Tract, containing about 200 acres, and adjoining the House Tract.

TO BREEDERS OF HORSES.—The imported and thorough bred Race Horse Flexible, and the high bred American Race Horse Tuskeno, one of the finest looking Horses in the Country, will stand at Wilton the present season (1840). For terms, see handbills. B. D. CARTER. Wilton, Granville County, N. C. 3-25-42.

COMPANION TO MISS LESLIE'S Cookery.—The House Book; or a Manual of Domestic Economy, by Miss Leslie, containing directions for Laundry Work, Brooming Stairs, Cleaning Furniture, Waiting on Company, Carving, Making up Linen, &c. This work received at the North Carolina Book Store. TURNER & HUGHES. (Star.) 40 May 19, 1840.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA, Washington County, Ex. Equity—Spring Term, 1840. John A. Keith vs. William Keith & Bill for Divorce, On motion, and it appearing to the Court that two Subpoenas to answer the Bill of Complaint issued to Bertie county, against Wm. Keith, have been returned by the Sheriff that he is not to be found in that county; and also, that the said William Keith is not an inhabitant of this State, or not within the jurisdiction of this Court; the Court doth order that advertisement be made for thirteen successive weeks in the "Raleigh Register and North Carolina Gazette," appearing before the said Court, at the Court house in Plymouth, on the second Monday of September next, and pleading answer or denial to the Complaint; and if default made thereon, as shall be considered just. Test, TH: TURNER, C. & M. E.

UNIVERSITY.—The Public Anniversary Examination of the University of North Carolina will be held at Chapel Hill on Monday the 25th day of May next, and be continued from day to day until Thursday the 4th day of June, being the first Three days in the month, which last mentioned day is appointed for the Annual Commencement of the College. The following Trustees compose the Committee of Visitation. His Excellency, Gov. E. B. Denton, President of College. John L. Swain, President of College. George B. Lodge, William L. H. Simmons, J. Baker, Edward Jones, John L. Bailey, Willie F. Mangum, John H. Bryan, Charles Manly, James Cameron, James T. Morehead, Daniel W. Clarke, Samuel F. Patterson, Isaac Croom, Romulus M. Saunders, John R. J. Daniel, Thomas S. Smith, Robert B. Gilman, Richard D. Spaight, John D. Hawkins, John D. Foorner, Louis D. Henry, Lewis Williams, Charles L. Hinton.

VIRTUE OF A DEED OF TRUST TO BE EXECUTED BY JOHN G. MARSHALL, to secure certain debts therein mentioned, I shall, at the house now occupied by Peter LeMessurier, offer for sale on Wednesday, the 17th day of June next, that valuable Lot situated between Fayetteville and Wilmington streets, upon which the said Marshall formerly kept a Grocery. The building on said Lot consists of a Store and Dwelling House, and all necessary out houses. At the same time and place I shall also in pursuance of said Deed, offer for sale a likely and young negro woman, named Cherry, and two children, Cloe and Emily, a Billiard Table and the fixtures, a Horse and Cart, and household and kitchen furniture. The above property will be sold on credit of six months, and bond with approved securities will be required of the purchasers. GEO. W. HAYWOOD, Trustee. Raleigh, May 25 1840. Standard office sale.

TO THE PUBLIC.—The undersigned having procured the Rooms in the large and commodious Brick Building, belonging to Herndon & F. Irons, and adjoining his present residence, has the pleasure to announce, that he will be prepared to receive and entertain the Summer Months in the most comfortable manner. The Rooms are large and airy and sufficiently private; and the undersigned feels no doubt that he will give entire satisfaction to all who may favor him with their company. GEO. M. ALLEN. Warrenton, N. C. May 14, 1840. 40-41

BANK OF CAPE FEAR, 16th May, 1840. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO DELINQUENT Subscribers, that the Stock of this Bank, their unpaid shares, may be on or before the 30th day of June next, all the unpaid shares will be proposed to public sale at 100 cents per share, in pursuance of the Act of Assembly, to amend the Charter of said Bank, passed at the Session of 1838, 39. J. D. JONES, Pres. May 25, 1840.

CAPE FEAR NAVIGATION COMPANY.—The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders in this Company will be held in the Town of Fayetteville, on Friday 29th May, instant. R. L. WINSLOW, Pres. May 19, 1840.