

Selected Poetry.

ODE TO DISAPPOINTMENT.

FORTH, thou friend I and let me see
What occasions misery,
Oh! do it come? I know thee now,
By the wrinkles on thy brow,
By thy deadly hollow eye;
By thy cheek of livid dye;
By thy soul malicious leer;
And thy Midas' hanging ear.

Harpy's talons are thy own;
Circe's smile, Medea's frown?
Which can lovers rob of ease,
And o'er health can throw disease,
Break the happy nuptial chain,
And make friendship light and vain;
Stop the parent's rising joy;
And make heavenly beauty cloy.

As Minerva's laurels grow,
Thou can't strip the warrior's brow,
Make the statesman's noblest scheme
Prove an unsubstantial dream;
Thou can't check ambition's pow'r,
Spoil the merchant of his store,
Snatch the sceptre from a king,
And make poets cease to sing.

Who would strive for wealth or fame,
When thou mak'st them but a name?
All our worldly care and toil,
Instantaneous thou canst spoil,
Then, who'd strive for honour's wealth?
Who in love would idly breathe;
Who would stem the raging sea,
When our joys are lost in thee?

To thy cell, thou pest of men;
Hide thee in thy dreary den,
Where the venom'd viper breeds;
Where on blood the raven feeds;
Where the wolf, with hungry howl,
Wants among the flocks to prow,
Where the baneful hemlock grows,
And the warm repent the blows.

Now for some Nephelian feast,
Where sobriety's the guest,
Such as ancient Athens paid
To Venus, and each Sylvan maid,
Disappointment come not near;
Temperance and Content are here;
Virtue, Truth, and Honour say,
Disappointment hence, away.

ANECDOTES.

A Late Emigrant from Britain, boasting
to an American farmer of the vast su-
periority of that country over this, in arts,
science, natural productions, &c. by way of
proof, asked him (pointing to the moon) what
do you call that?—I call it the moon, said
the farmer, that a moon-rejoins the English-
man, I'll be d—n'd if the stars in England
are not larger!!!

A SCOTTISH parson, in his prayer said,
Laird blest the grand council the parliament,
and grant they may hang together. A coun-
try fellow standing by, replied, "Yes yes,
with all my heart, and the sooner the better,
and I am sure it is the prayer of all good Chris-
tians."—"But I don't mean as that fellow mean
(said the parson) but pray they may hang to-
gether in accord and concord."—"No matter
what cord, replied the other, so it is but a
strong cord."

AMONG the ancient Arabs, when a new
king was crowned, a list of all the names of the
women eight or nine months gone with child
was made out; these females were all shut
up in the palace, where every possible care
was bestowed upon them, and the child first
born, if a boy, was declared presumptive heir
to the crown. "Royalty, (they said,) ought
not to be confined to one family, it belongs to
the whole nation."

From the VILLAGE MESSENGER.

A convenient Way to pay for News-Papers.
SAYS neighbour Rednose to neighbour
Chatterbox, "I'll tell you what now, I
want to take this News-Paper, but fags, I
can't pay for it." Oh, friend, says Chatter-
box, I'll put you in away to pay for it, and
not feel it. "Ay, how!" There is going to
be a shooting match to-morrow.—Now instead
of going there, and firing away three shil-
lings, and busting away six, do you go and
fled wood enough to the Printers to pay for a

year's papers; Oh, "I must go to the shoot-
ing; I wish to see a friend who has promised
to meet me there.

Well, if you must go, I'll put you in ano-
ther way.—You spend at the tavern on an
average the price of a mug of flip every week.
Reduce that to three buttons, and you will
have enough to pay for your paper, and pur-
chase Mary Rowlandson into the bargain.
"Well, 'pon honour I'll try it," says Red-
nose.

THE NOTED HORSE,
HYDER ALI

IS now in high order, and will stand at the
stable of the subscribers at Haw landing,
in Glasgow county, in order to cover mares
at ten dollars the season, payable the first of
January next; or eight dollars if paid in the
course of the season; five dollars the leap,
and twenty dollars to insure. Corn or pork
will be received in payment thereof, if deli-
vered in January next.

The season will begin the 10th of March,
and end the 10th of August. When mares
are brought for the leap, the money will be
expected with them, otherwise the charge
will be made for the season.

HYDER ALI is a beautiful dark bay, up-
wards of 15 hands high. He was got by old
Mark Anthony; his dam by the imported
horse Bajazet, his grandam by Crawford.

Good pasturage for mares gratis, and the
greatest care taken of them; but the sub-
scribers will not be answerable for accidents
or escapes of any kind.

HOLLIDAY & CARR.

N. B. Half a dollar to be paid to the
Groom, at the stable door.
Glasgow county, Feb. 24, 1796.

FOR SALE,

THE house and lots, now occupied by
Mr. William Shepard, the lots may be
had separately or together. Also one lot,
on broad street, near the Court-House, and
one house and lot, adjoining Mr. Thomas
Cox's.

The whole the property of Mrs. Mary
Edwards. NATHAN SMITH.
March 19.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN-AWAY from the subscriber in
Newbern, on the 2d day of January
last, a negro man named

M I N G O,

about the age of twenty five years, of a brown
complexion. He had on when he went away
a light blue coat and trousers, of a middle sta-
ture. He is supposed to be lurking about
Wayne County, as he was formerly the pro-
perty of Squire Alford. Whoever appre-
hends the said negro and deliver him in New-
bern goal, or to the subscriber, shall be en-
titled to the above reward.

JOHN HOBDDAY.

Newbern, April 16.

N. B. All persons are forwarned from
harbouring or concealing him, and masters of
vessels from carrying him away at their peril.
J. H.

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TO THE
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OF
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Containing all the Acts of Assembly, both
public and private from the end of Judge
redell's Revision to February 1795.

P R I V A T E A C T S,
OMITTED IN SAID REVISAL,

AND THE
STATUTES OF GREAT-BRITAIN,
(Lately published and to be had, bound separate,
or together,)

AT
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Edenton; A. Hodge's, Halifax; J. Ross's,
Tarborough; William Falkner's, Warren-
ton; William Shaw's, Raleigh; Care and
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R E P O R T
OF A
C A S E,

LATELY DECIDED IN

Fayetteville Superior court of Law,
WHEREIN THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE
DISCUSSED AND SETTLED; viz.

- I. WHETHER, in the case a SEALED instru-
strument, Unattested by any SUBSCRIBING
witness, the HANDWRITING of the party
MAY be ADMITTED in evidence?
- II. WHETHER an action of DEBT lies upon
SUCH an instrument?

COMMITTED to the Jail of Newbern
district, a negro boy who says his name is
J A C O B;
and that he belongs to John B. Ashe, Esq.
of Halifax.

He appears to be about fourteen years old.
His owner is desired to come, prove his pro-
perty, and take him away.

EDMUND PERKINS, Jailer.

April 16.

RUN-away from the subscriber on the
12th of March last, two slaves, one
a mulatto fellow named

J I M,

about twenty five years of age, he is stout
and well built, has a remarkable large foot,
and a small piece off one of his ears, the o-
ther a lad named

M A R C H.

of about 18 years of age, he is also stout and
well built, his left hand was burnt when
an infant, and has but his first finger and
thumb—the fellow Jim was hired last sum-
mer to Mr. David Murdock near Newbern,
it is probable he may be lurking some place
about Newbern and the other lad with him—
whoever will apprehend said slaves and se-
cure them in any jail in this state shall have
five dollars reward for each, and if brought
to me near Fayetteville, shall receive a re-
ward of twenty dollars, or ten dollars for one
of them.

JOHN DICKSON.

Blocker's ferry, April 16.

FRENCH LANGUAGE.

ANY Person willing to learn the French
language will be waited on, if request-
ed, by Mr. D'Ouville. He lives at Doctor
M'Clure's.

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