

POETRY.

CHRISTMAS MORNING.

Quarrelsome swain, since the happy morn,
Whence this Saviour of mankind was born;
Rise to avert the mystery of Love,
Which hosts of angels chanted from above—
With these the joyful tidings first begun,
Of God incarnate, and the virgin's Son.

Thus at the wondrous shrubs it was told,
What heraldic angels heralded voices of gladness!

“I bring glad tidings, a Saviour’s birth,
To you, and all the nations upon earth;

“This day hath God fulfilled his promised word;

“This day is born a Saviour, Christ, the Lord!

“In David’s city shepherd, ye will find,

“The long-foretold Redeemer of mankind,

“Wrapt up in swaddling-clothes, the babe divine;

“Lie in a manger, this shall be your sign.”

He spoke—and straightway the celestial choir

In hymns of joy, unknown before, resound.

The psalms of redeeming love, they sang,

And spirits whose orb with halcyone song:

Gave Nature’s glory wing their ethereal flight;

From whom went mutual good will. Thus,

To both’m straight the enlightened shepherds

To tell the wonder God had wrought for man!

BONAPARTE AND THE BUCHO.

The following which appeared in the Oracle of the 2nd of April, 1815, is a translation from the French of its author, for the publication of which the subscriber P. H. H., of Newbern, was instrumental. It consists of a short Moral, and a few extracts from Bonaparte’s Correspondence, &c.

“Buchon who answers me I who is there nigh?

Now I hasten to report my success, Bobo has

made his last.

Knowing what Bonaparte will be forthwith com-

manded to me?

“Buchon! What must I expect, after so many

reverses?

“What, shall I like a coward die, so complicit

to his perfidy?

“Buchon! What an army bright might be forced to ren-

ounce!

“Bonaparte, of what I’ve got by tree horses

Now and trifled address?

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A LEGAL PUN.

In a trial, wherein Garrow and Jekyll were employed as counsel, an old woman was brought forward as witness to prove that there had been “a tender made” of money. The old lady gave a rather evocative evidence; upon which Jekyll, who opposed Garrow upon the occasion, handed him this couplet, written with a pencil:

“Garrow, forbear to cast a harsh old jail,
One never prove a tender made.”

Was married in England, Captain Richards, to Miss Webber. The bride is three years older than her mother’s husband, and fifty years younger than her own.

HONESTY.

The following letter has been sent us by the person to whom it was addressed, and it contains such remarkable traits of honesty, that we publish it exactly as it is written:

Richmond, Virginia, April 27, 1815.

Mr. NEAR DUNCAN,

SIR.—No doubt long before this time you have enrolled me in the list of absconded debtors, and indeed you have reason to believe that I am by no means an honest man. In this case, I beg leave to say, you have been mistaken; believe, me, Sir, it never was my intention to wrong you or any other man of a farthing of just debt. In the year 1801, I had an account with you for sundries which amounted to £11. 6s. 8d.

A few days before I left Glasgow I called at your shop, and paid you 21, which left a balance of £11. 6s. 8d. which balance I intended to have sent you from Glasgow; in that I am sorry I was disappointed. I had a draft on a very good house there, as I supposed, which I had made sure of getting, but to my great mortification they were only able to pay me one fourth of the amount. This circumstance detained me and my family there a considerable time, which caused me to spend more money than I was able to afford. I have often sought an opportunity of sending you the balance, and this is the first chance I have had. I have enclosed you four guineas, which will pay you the debt and interest. My dear Sir, I hope you will excuse me, as this is the true state of the case, and although you have had reason to believe the worse concerning me, yet I hope you will be good enough to think again, and charge it to my misfortune and not as a crime I assure, you, Sir, that the 21. £11. 6s. 8d. has given me more concern than a hundred times the worth of it. The very thought of leaving my native country with your just demands standing against me, and having no opportunity of sending it to you, has made me very uneasy many a time. I beg of you to write me a few lines, and give it to the care of Mr. Henry Hetherington junr. who will deliver it to the Gentleman who brings you this letter from Virginia, and is to return back immediately to this place, and will deliver it to your humble servant,

M. ROSENBERY master.

November 14, 1815.

He would answer his purpose the better.—He immediately employed him as a clerk, and afterwards made him Cashier.

From the signatures of the President and Cashier, and the manner in which the notes were engraved, the notes had the appearance of our incorporated banks. The bank was in operation for about three months, during which time issues of those notes were made to persons ignorant of the fraud, particularly in some of the neighbouring States, where the notes of the New-York Banks have been in better credit than their own. The cause that led to the suspension of the payment of the notes of the above fabricated bank, was the sum that was made upon it by some persons, who were unfriendly to it; one of which, on his being refused payment of three or four of the notes, made a complaint to the Grand Jury who found a bill which closed its concern. The whole amount of the sum (from the testimony of M’Curdy, who signed the name of Bayard) was between thirty and forty dollars.

The cause took the whole of Monday, until a late hour at night, when upon a full investigation of the testimony and the law, by the eminent council on both sides, and after an able and impartial charge from His Honor the Mayor, the Jury retired for about half an hour, and returned with the verdict of *Gilty*.

Saturday being the last day of the term, the Court pronounced judgment, confined in the Bridewell for the space of two years; and that Bayard and Phelps pay the fine of one dollar each.

W. T. FOUNTAIN.

Wilmington, Dec. 23, 1815.

F. FOUNTAIN.

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NOTICE.

THOSE persons having in their possession books belonging to the Circulating Library, of the late William S. Hasell, who do not return them,

during the present week, may rest assured that the rules of the Library will be enforced in every case what ever.

W. H. HALSTED. Adm.

December 7, 1815.

Just Received and

For Sale.

Fresh Raisins, Almonds, Carricks, Hammonds, Prunes, Sugar plums, preserved fruits, in Brandy, Sugar candy, sweet Oil and a general assortment of fresh Garden Seeds imported in the Sleepy Hollow from New-York.

F. FOUNTAIN.

Wilmington, Dec. 23, 1815.

NOTICE is hereby Given

That Letters of Administration ad Cognovit on the Estate of Abraham Greenfield have been granted to the Subcriber. All persons indebted are required to make immediate payment.

Samuel Poole

NOTICE

I hereby caution all persons against giving credit to the crew of the Danish brig *Sincerity*, as I will not pay any debt they may contract.

M. ROSENBERY master.

November 14, 1815.

J. AND FOR SALE.

THE Plantation, late the residence of Mr Daniel Bellona dec’d on Lockwood’s Folly River, containing about 920 acres, on which there is a Dwelling House, Out Houses, Orchard, Grist Mill and a Ferry, immediately on the road to Smithville, and contiguous to the one leading to Wilmington.

The premises may be viewed by applying to E. Clemmons the present occupant.

ALSO,

640 acres, on a branch of Little Shallow, on which there is an excellent Mill Seat, and a sufficiency of Land that has been under cultivation, for provisions. Persons wishing to purchase, will apply to John C. Baker, or John J. Green of Brunswick County, or to the Subcriber in Horry District, South-Carolina.

Should the above Land not be sold, previous to the first day of January next, they will be set up at Public Auction at the Old Court House in Brunswick County, on a credit of Ten Years, one tenth payable annually and with good personal security will be required.

E. DUNAVANT.

November 9th, 1815.—25th Dec.

NOTICE.

On Saturday, 25th Dec. all persons are indebted to the Subcriber or the late Capt. Abraham Greenfield, unless they make payment previous to the 20th inst. their accounts will be paid in the hands of an Officer for collection, without discrimination.

SAMUEL POTTER Adm.

December 7, 1815.

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