

Literary and Miscellaneous.

The following transcendent lines were written on a blank leaf of 'La Perouse's Voyages,' at work to which the youthful admiration of Mr. Campbell was with equal fervor and justice directed.

Yet he that led Discovery o'er the wave, Still finds himself an undiscovered grave. He came not back—Conjecture's cheek grew pale, Year after year—in no propitious gale.

Fame traced on Manicobo's shore at last, The boiling surge had mounted o'er his mast. The islesmen told of some surviving men; But Christian eyes beheld them ne'er again.

The world is flooded with anecdotes of Johnson. Let me record an anecdote of one of his hearers. He and Burke were one evening, I believe at Misses Cotterell's when the conversation turned upon the great poets of antiquity.

BYRON.—[FROM BLACKWOOD.] 'What? Scott a greater genius than Byron?' Yes—Beyond compare. Byron had a vivid and strong, but not a wide, imagination.

In 1417, the King, convinced that Holburn ('Alta via Regia in Holborn') was a deep and perilous road, ordered two ships to be laden with stones, at his own cost, each 20 tons in burden, in order to repair it.

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Many passages are but the baldest prose. Byron, after all, was right in thinking—at first—but poorly of these cantos,—and so was the friend, not Mr. Hobbhouse, who threw cold water upon them in manuscript.

did in a superior style; borrowing, stealing, and robbing, with a face of aristocratic assurance that must have amazed the plundered; but intermingling with the spoil riches fairly won by his own genius from the exhaustless treasury of nature, who loved her wayward, her wicked, and her wondrousness.

'Poetry run crazy.'—I had a dream—methought I was, and methought I had—the eye of man hath not heard; the ear of man has not seen; man's hand is not able to taste, his tongue to conceive, nor his heart to report, what my dream was.

Gambling.—The vice of Gambling, has not, perhaps, its equal, if we except intemperance, to which it leads. The two vices, are in most respects, twin brothers.

The excitement produced by gambling, tends to intemperance,—it destroys health,—peace of mind,—peace of families,—and brings at last, poverty and wretchedness.

To the wealthy, gain could be no inducement. To others, it seems to be the very summit of folly for a man to place his all upon the hazard of a die.

Patent Marriages.—In London it is very common for men, wanting wives, to advertise for them in the public papers, describing the article needed, as particularly as a merchant would a ship, to wit:

In a recent instance, in London, a Lady was taken in by one of these attractive notices; and was induced to wed the advertiser on short acquaintance, fearing perhaps the effect of competition. The consequences of which were, a suit against her husband for cruelly abusing her. What better could be expected from such marriages?

Caste, confined to men, varies in its politics,—is less exclusive than in its relation to the opposite sex. Caprice, with them has guarded the approaches to the shrine of fashion, by the strong barriers of birth, wealth, taste, and character.

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He can never be a good statesman, who respecteth not the public more than his own private advantage. Honor is the reward of virtue, but is gotten with labor, and held with danger.

We all know the characteristic answer of the Protestant to the Papist who taunted him with the novelty of the Reformation. 'Did you wash your face this morning?' 'Where was your face before it was washed?' Selden gives it in another shape. Papist. 'Where was your religion before Luther, a hundred years ago?' Protestant.—'Where was America, a hundred years ago, or sixscore years ago?'

Esop himself has nothing finer than Selden's apologue of the Dog and the Mutton. On the maxim 'In a troubled State save as much for your own as you can.'

'A dog had been at market to buy a shoulder of mutton. In coming home he met two dogs that quarrelled with him. He laid down his shoulder of mutton, and fell to fighting with one of them. In the meantime the other dog fell to eating the mutton. He seeing that, left the dog he was fighting with and fell upon him that was eating. Then the other dog fell to eating. When he perceived there was no remedy, but which of them soever he fought with, his mutton was in danger, he thought that he would have as much of it as he could, and thereupon gave over fighting and fell to eating himself.'

The apologue of the Lion and the Fox is full of the practical wisdom so important in his day. 'Wise men say nothing in dangerous times. The lion called the sheep to ask her if his breath smelt? She said Ay. He bit off her head for a fool. He called the wolf and asked him. He said, No. He tore him in pieces for a flatterer. At last he called the fox, and asked him. Truly he had got a cold and could not smell.'—Lond. Month. Magazine.

JOHNSON'S DICTIONARY No book has lost more by "improvements" than Johnson's Dictionary. The definitions in which Johnson's spleen burst out against a world which had used him hardly enough, have been extinguished one by one, until this famous Dictionary differs little from a common word-book.

'Tory.—A cant term, derived, I suppose from an Irish word signifying a savage.—One who adheres to the ancient constitution of the state, and the hierarchy of the church of England.—Opposed to a whig.'

'Whig.—The name of a faction.'

'Pension.—An allowance made to any one without an equivalent.—In England it is generally understood to mean pay given to a state hireling for treason to his country.'

'Pensioner.—A slave of state hired by a stipend to obey his master.'

'Excise.—A hateful tax levied upon commodities, and adjudged not by the common judges of property, but by wretches hired by those to whom it is paid.'

The Doctor's well-known antipathy to the Scotch, still displayed itself in his definition of 'Oats.—In England the food of horses, in Scotland the food of men.' But his gall was let fly on other things too; for example—'Dragon, a soldier who fights indifferently on foot or horseback.' His scorn of his own pursuit was humorously represented by his definition of—'Lexicographer, a writer of dictionaries, a harmless drudge;' and 'Grub street, the name of a street in London much inhabited by writers of small histories, dictionaries, and temporary poems; whence any mean production is called Grub-street.'

Life preserver.—A London paper gives the following account of an invention, which may be the means of saving many lives.—An interesting experiment of a new but simple mode of assisting the inmates of a house when on fire to escape from impending destruction, took place in Bridge-road, Borough, near the police station. The apparatus consists of a broad sheet of canvas, with numerous loop-holes at the border, to admit the grasp of persons in attendance in the stretching of the sheet. The firemen, numerous police constables, and a considerable number of scientific and other individuals were present. The canvas being stretched, a number of persons leaped several times from the roof, and other parts of the house and alighted in perfect safety. Those who witnessed the proceedings seemed convinced that, of every means of rescuing the inmates of houses, when on fire, from the risk of perishing in the flames, the simple canvas sheet is the most effective, the most portable, and the most certain of being adopted as an effectual life preserver.

Burlesque on Genealogy.—Two men disputing one day upon their genealogy, each one of them pretended to be better than the other. 'You cannot, (says one) compare yourself to me, who am of a thousand times better family than you. 'You, (says the other) had your father like mine, the first post in the city?' 'The first post in the city, (replied the first) was he Governor?' 'No,' answered he) 'Was he Judge?' 'No, not that yet.' 'What was he then?' continued the first. Gate keeper, replied the second) is not that the first post in the city?' 'Yes, (said the other) but mine preceded the first man in the province, he went before the Dukes and Peers, and before the Marshals of France.' 'In virtue of what office?' 'In virtue of his post,' replied the other. 'What was then that post,' says he.—'He was a postillion, (replied the other,) if my father had taken care, we should have been rich, but he was a fool.' 'I grant that to be true, (said the other) and I feel clearly his office is hereditary.' 'My father prevented that, (said the son of the postillion,) for before he was postillion, he was a man of letters.' 'What do you call a man of letters?' (replied the son of the gate keeper,) was he Judge Advocate or Counsel?' 'None of all those (said the postillion,) he was runner to the post office; call you not that a man of letters?' 'True, (said the gate keeper,) but that does not prove the antiquity of your family; whereas I can trace back mine farther than five hundred years.' 'And mine, (replied the other) more

than eight hundred.' 'That's nothing, (answered the gate-keeper,) I can prove my family to have existed before the Deluge.' 'And I mine before Adam,' said the postilion. 'And mine before Adam,' said the gate-keeper.—'You are in the right,' replied the other, 'the proof is very easy; for before Adam there were no animals but brutes, and it is very certain that you are descended from them.'

Edward D. O. Tinker, MERCHANT TAILOR.

RESPECTFULLY informs the citizens of Newbern and its vicinity that he has lately returned from New York, with a handsome assortment of GOODS in his line of business, among which are Super Blue, Black, Green and Olive Cloths, Mulberry and Plum do. Chesnut-brown, Steelmixt & blk. Cassimeres, Black Silk Florentine, Black figured do. do. do. Velvet, do. do. Valencia, 1 case of Fashionable HATS, Horse skin Gloves, Mixed Merino half Hosc, Random do. do. Striped do. do. Merino do. do. Fancy Cravats and Stocks, Cravat Stiffeners, of the latest style, &c. &c. All of which will be sold at reduced prices. He will at all times be furnished with the latest fashions, and will execute all orders at the shortest notice, and in the neatest style. Nov. 9, 1831.

NEW GOODS.

JOSEPH M. GRANADE, & Co. respectfully inform their friends and the public, that they have just received (by sundry late arrivals) from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and are now opening, at the well known Store formerly occupied by Mr. William Dunn, corner of Pollok & Middle-streets,

AN EXTENSIVE AND GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF Foreign and Domestic Dry Goods, GROCERIES.

WINES AND SPIRITS, Hardware, Cutlery, Crockery and Glassware.

All of which they offer for sale at a moderate advance for cash or country produce. Newbern, Nov. 14, 1831.

M. STEVENSON, Senr.

BEGS leave to correct an erroneous impression which has been unfairly made on the public mind. He takes this method of stating, that his HEARSE is kept for the accommodation of every decent family who shall be so unfortunate as to require its use. His personal attendance at Funerals is likewise offered to all persons of the same description, and no pains shall be spared, on his part, to have the solemnities conducted with sobriety, decency and good order.

It is hoped that the following reasonable charges will be satisfactory. Neatest Mahogany Coffin, for a grown person, with linings and trimmings; (including an engraved Silver Plate) together with his personal attendance, and the use of his horse and Bier, \$35

Neatest stained Poplar or Pine Coffin, with engraved Silver Plate, and a case in the bottom of the grave; together with horse, Hearse and attendance, \$25

Plain, stained Poplar Coffin, lined with Cambric, but without the Silver Plate, \$10

Plain, stained Coffin, with a neat pinked Cambric border, but without lining, \$8

Common Parish Coffins, \$4 Children's Coffins & Funerals, in the above proportion. Newbern, Aug. 31, 1831.

NOTICE.

AT the November Term, A. D. 1831, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Craven County, the subscriber obtained letters of Administration on the estate of John Justice, deceased. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against it, to bring them forward, properly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law, or they will be barred of recovery by the operation of the acts of Assembly in such case made and provided.

ANN M. JUSTICE, Administratrix. Newbern, Nov. 15th, 1831.

NOTICE.

THE Copartnership of Joseph M. Granade, & Co. consisting of Joseph M. Granade and Stephen Kincey, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 15th September, 1831. All persons indebted to, or having claims against the said firm, are requested to come forward for settlement to Joseph M. Granade, who is duly authorised for that purpose.

JOSEPH M. GRANADE, STEPHEN KINCEY. Newbern, N. C. 9th Nov. 1831.

MRS. HURD will commence a School for young Ladies, on Monday the 2d of January. The plans of teaching pursued in the most approved Schools at the North, will be adopted. Tuition, \$6 00 a quarter.—Newbern, December 26, 1831.

FOR SALE.

My Farm on White Oak River, Onslow County, about twelve miles from Trent Bridge. The tract contains five hundred acres, nearly three hundred of which are cleared and under good fence. The improvements are a Dwellinghouse, Kitchen, Barn and other necessary outhouses. The range is good, and the situation healthy. Persons desirous to purchase, are invited to examine the premises, and for further information apply to the subscriber.

JACOB FIELDS. December 20, 1831.

GARDEN SEED.

ONE Box, containing 40 doz. fresh GARDEN SEED, assorted, just received and for sale by JOSEPH M. GRANADE, & Co. 23d December, 1831.

R. HALSEY, MERCHANT TAILOR, RESPECTFULLY informs his former patrons and the public generally, that he has resumed business in Newbern, at the well known stand lately occupied by Mr. CHARLES STEWART, on Pollock-Street, where he will have on hand a good assortment of

FASHIONABLE GOODS,

Superfine Blue, Black, Olive, Brown, and visible Green Cloths; Blue, Drab and Fancy mixt Cassimeres, fine Goat's Hair Camlet, Fancies & Plain Vestings, Together with Fancy Articles of Dress; AMONG WHICH ARE Fashionable Stocks, Cravats, Suspensives, Gloves, Cravat Stiffeners, fine linen Collars, &c. &c.

All orders will be thankfully received and executed on the most reasonable terms and at the shortest notice. Ten per cent. will invariably be deducted for Cash, on all orders for Clothing. Newbern 9th Nov. 1831.

Most Extraordinary Continuation OF GREAT AND UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS BY THE SYLVESTERS!

ONLY a short time ago, it was announced that at the Office of Sylvester, 130, Broadway, the \$20,000 Prize was sold, and just before that, Six of \$10,000 in Six successive Lotteries, immediately afterwards Sylvester's Office in Pittsburgh sold the \$10,000 in a Whole Ticket, also Half of \$5,000 4 of \$1,000 Whole Tickets, &c. &c. and again did Sylvester, at his Office in Paterson, sell the Whole of the \$10,000 Prize in the Union Canal Lottery, drawn last Saturday, the 24th inst. Such a combination of success was never known; the above defies comparison with any other Office in the United States. It is also worthy of remark that all the above Prizes were Paid immediately on the receipt of the drawing. Sylvester takes this opportunity of informing his distant friends that all orders for Tickets in any of Yates & McIntyre's Lotteries, must be addressed as under, and will meet same attention as on personal application. In all cases the original Tickets are sent, and Sylvester is regularly Licensed by the State. Letters need only be addressed S. J. SYLVESTER, New-York, Pittsburgh, Pa. or Paterson, N. J.

REFERENCE, Yates & McIntyre.

NOTICE.

AT November Term, A. D. 1831, of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Onslow County, the subscriber qualified as Executor of the late Benjamin Farnell. All persons indebted to the estate of said deceased are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against it, are required to present them, duly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

DANIEL AMBROSE, Executor. Onslow County, December 30, 1831.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } ss. ONSLOW COUNTY.

County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term A. D. 1831.

Benjamin Scott } Original Attachment. Jesse Barrow }

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the Defendant is not an inhabitant of this State; It is ordered, That publication be made for six weeks in the North Carolina Sentinel, that said defendant appear before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Onslow County, at the Court House in Onslow, on the first Monday of February next, and reply or plead to issue, or Judgment final will be rendered against him.

DAVID W. SANDERS, Clerk. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } ss. ONSLOW COUNTY.

County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, A. D. 1831.

Gideon Hawkins } Original Attachment. Jesse Barrow }

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the Defendant is not an inhabitant of this State; It is ordered, That publication be made for six weeks in the North Carolina Sentinel, that said defendant appear before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Onslow County, at the Court House in Onslow, on the first Monday of February next, and reply or plead to issue, or Judgment final will be rendered against him.

DAVID W. SANDERS, Clerk. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } ss. ONSLOW COUNTY.

County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, A. D. 1831.

Louis T Oliver } Original Attachment. Jesse Barrow }

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the Defendant is not an inhabitant of this State; It is ordered, That publication be made for six weeks in the North Carolina Sentinel, that said defendant appear before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Onslow County, at the Court House in Onslow, on the first Monday of February next, and reply or plead to issue, or Judgment final will be rendered against him.

DAVID W. SANDERS, Clerk. STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, } ss. CRAVEN COUNTY.

County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, A. D. 1831.

Thomas Watson } Original Attachment. Alexander J. Maurice }

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the Defendant is not an inhabitant of this State, it is ordered, that publication be made for six weeks in the North Carolina Sentinel, that said defendant appear before the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of Craven County, at the Court House in Newbern, on the second Monday of February next, and reply or plead to issue, or judgment final will be rendered against him.

J. G. STANLY, Clerk.