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With the aid of these contributors, (of whom it is needless to say one word in the way of commendation,) and of numerous others perhaps equally meritorious if less celebrated, who have promised us their support, we flatter ourselves that, as a literary work, the Columbian need be under no apprehension of being excelled.

But what we have done is already before the public, who will not fail to judge us with impartiality; and in respect to what we intend to do, it will be both wiser and more becoming (altho' less fashionable) not to boast. We may be permitted to assure our friends in brief, however, that we have matured numerous plans (for the third volume) with which we feel confident they will be pleased. It is our purpose to put forth every energy; and it will be no fault of our own if the Columbian shall not be found at least equal to any magazine, of any class or price, in America.

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POETRY.



[SELECTED.]

THE HERO OF THE HERMITAGE.

BY J. A. STEWART.

In the Hermitage lingers the patriot and sage
Whose achievements have crowned us with glory;
His face is deep-marked with the furrows of age,
And his head for the grave blossoms hoary;

He's awaiting a summons to mansions of bliss,
Yet happy with prospects around him;
He is willing to go, yet is happy in this,
Where a halo of glory surrounds him.

He has fought for his country, its freedom and laws,
Was valiant in fields, fresh and gory,
And has lived to behold his loved country and cause
Established in permanent glory;

But ere long will his spirit be wafted above
And mingled with those gone before him,
And his coise shall be buried 'neath tokens of love,
And the tears of affection shed o'er him.

In the gloom of despair—in the blackness of night,
Lie his enemies prostrate around him,
Whilst he in his glory effulgent and bright
Is released from the cars which have bound him;

He is free from the cares of political strife—
See's the bright star of freedom ascending—
And with pleasure remembers he prill'd his life,
The cause of his country defending.

The cause he espoused in his earliest youth,
Is the star which has led him to glory,
'Twas the cause of his country of justice and truth,
And his name shall illuminate our story;

But ye demons incarnate, whose hopes are all crushed,
And whose prospects are blighted forever,
Your vile tongues are palsied, your slanders are hushed,
And the Hero shines brighter than ever.

POLITICAL.

From the Madisonian.

Treasury Department, Jan. 27, 1845
The Secretary of the Treasury acknowledges the receipt by an anonymous letter, of one hundred and fifty dollars, post marked New York, and running thus:—
"Enclosed \$150. Paid U. S., pursuant to a promise made to the LORD."

From the Globe.

New York.—The debt of the State of New York, at the present time, according to the recent report of the Comptroller of that State, is \$28,068,413 26.
The whole original cost of the canals of the State is officially reported to be \$30,461,303 84; and the tolls on them during the last year amounted to \$2,398,225 60. The entire canal system of the State pays an interest on the cost of the canals, as put down above, of about 6 per cent. per annum.

The number of acres of land assessed in the State is 27,675,075; and the assessed value of real & personal estate, as corrected by the board of supervisors, is \$599,891,923. The amount of State, county, and town taxes levied on this sum is \$4,143,101.

The whole number of free banks at present in operation is seventy, twenty-nine having been closed by the Comptroller, and ten by their own stockholders.

From the N. Y. Journal of Commerce.

The debt of Alabama.—We learn thro' a Report of the Legislature of this State, that her indebtedness is \$14,109,000 67, and the amount necessary to defray the expenses and pay the interest upon her debt is \$700,000 annually.

From the Raleigh Register.

Defalcation.—Mr. Lovett, the Teller of the Commercial Bank of Albany, has lately been discovered to be a defaulter to the amount of \$34,445. The Albany Evening Journal says: "The defalcation commenced five years since, and grew out of speculations in flour, lottery tickets, and

other operations of the kind. In order to make good his account, when examined by the committee of the Directors appointed for that purpose, Mr. Lovett was in the habit of abstracting sufficient funds from the large packages of money lying in the bank, and belonging to the State or other banks."

Settled at last!—We stated on Friday, that by a verdict of a jury at Petersburg last week, the will of 1821 of John Randolph of Roanoke had been established, and all the codicils set aside. We intimated, at the same time, that exceptions might be taken, and the case might be hung up in court still longer. But we are gratified to hear, that the controversy has been finally compromised to the satisfaction of all parties, and to the following effect: The negroes, about 380 in number, are liberated, and will receive 30,000 dollars and their wages for this year. It is probable, that tracts of land will be purchased in Texas, on which they will be settled. The remainder of the estate, estimated at from one hundred to 125,000 dollars, will be divided into five parts; of which two fifths will go to St. George Randolph, a nephew of full blood, and, after his death, to be shared equally between the relations on the maternal and paternal sides; one fifth to H. St. George Tucker, Esq.; one fifth to Judge Beverley Tucker; and the remaining one fifth to the children of Judge Coulter, and Mr. Bryan of Gloucester, who is, specially, exempted from accounting for rents and profits.—*Rich. Eng.*

The Planter's Convention, which was to have been held at Milledgeville, (Ga.) on the 27th ult., to take into consideration some change in the agricultural products of that State, has, it seems, proved a failure, in consequence of there being but few delegates in attendance.

From the Raleigh Star.

A STARTLING INVENTION.

Some of the English newspapers announce that a process has been discovered by which engravings, newspapers, pictures, bank notes &c. &c. can be copied with such accuracy that the nicest scrutiny of the most competent engraver, printer, artist or banker's clerk can detect no difference between the originals, with which they are conversant, and the copies. It is said that in that way bank bills, checks, and indeed any thing to which the process is applicable may be multiplied indefinitely. The name of the inventor is not mentioned; but he is said to be an English engraver. A correspondent of a publishing house in this city declares that he has seen a page of a French newspaper duplicated in this way in ten minutes; and the London Art Union has published 4000 or 5000 copies of a print of the Saviour, taken by this process and it is said that there is no more difference between the copies and the original than between two impressions taken from the same plate. If this be true, and the invention be made public, it will revolutionize the whole system of business. All evidences of debt on paper, all receipts, in short all every species of written or printed document connected with pecuniary transactions will be valueless and the detection of a forgery by a comparison with the original, impossible. The electrotype process, as regards engravings, has already effected results something similar to those claimed for this new invention; but it has been found impossible to impart that sharpness to the lines of the electrotype, which is produced by the graver, and access must be had to the original plate in order to obtain the copy. The inventor of this new plan of reduplication, however, professes to produce his fac similes from the impression alone, and to multiply the most elaborate engravings without having seen the plates.

A correspondent of the National Intelligencer doubts the story of the invention; and as a reason for his doubts relates the following, as a parallel case: "A great excitement was produced a few years ago in Europe, particularly among artists, upon the announcement that a method had been discovered of transferring or copying oil paintings with exactness, and without injury to the original. The artist who was so fortunate as to discover the process, in proof of its certainty, called for several of the master pieces of paintings belonging to a public gallery, & in a few hours he produced copies so resembling the original paintings as to puzzle even the proprietors to decide which were the originals. The proof was considered as positive, as no person ever had access to the paintings for any purpose, and the copies were produced in a few hours. The secret was maintained for a long time, but at last it was discovered upon his own confession, that it was all a trick. He had been in the habit of visiting the gallery from day to day, and each day took away upon that mysterious canvas of the mind a small portion of the painting he wished to copy, until he had, in this pa-

tient manner, completed several pieces. It was an extraordinary discovery as long as the secret was kept, and we think we have a right to regard the discovery of the English artist with skepticism as long as he keeps the secret."

Terrible Tragedy—A Son murdered by a Father.—We learn from the Lynchburg Virginian, that a most horrid and aggravated murder was perpetrated on Christmas day in the village of Madison, on the Amherst side of the river from Lynchburg, by a father imbruing his hands in his own son's blood. It appears that the son Edmund Mahone, between 23 and 25 years of age, with the remainder of the family were sitting at the dinner table, when some very trivial dispute arose between him and his father, Blanks Mahone. The old man then stepped up behind his son with a large knife, (perhaps prepared for the purpose as it is understood he often before threatened to commit the deed,) and stabbed his son through the breast bone to the heart. A large stream of blood immediately flowed out and the unfortunate victim soon died. The father is lodged in Amherst jail awaiting the trial before the proper tribunal!

The Richmond Whig of Friday 7th inst. says:—James River froze over Wednesday night below Mako's Bridge; a circumstance that has not happened (in our night) since the night of the 29th February, 1836, and from tradition only once before, since records have been kept of such events, viz: in the winter of 1781, the winter after the surrender of Cornwallis, when it froze in one night so hard, that loaded wagons drove over the next morning at Courts' Ferry.

Some weak-minded and ill-tempered abolitionists are petitioning Congress to annex Canada to the U. States. This is the effect of spleen at the talked of annexation Texas.

Stop Him.—The Asheville Mail carries an advertisement offering a reward for Preston Jones, said to have murdered Joseph Shepherd, in Yancy county. Said Jones is 6 feet 1 or 2 inches high, and weighs 175 or 180 pounds; wears large black whiskers.

A most appalling Providence.—A few days since, at Delhi, in Delaware county, Mr. Benedict was aroused, while in bed, by a thick smoke in his bed room, and he fled out of his house almost suffocated. His wife and little child followed, and on getting out they saw the upper part of the building, where their other five children were sleeping, in flames. The wife immediately returned into the house to rescue them, the little child following her. In a few moments the whole roof fell in and buried them all in the burning ruins, except the oldest daughter, about fourteen, who made her escape from a window by the aid of her father, but so shockingly burnt as to live but a short time. The calamity was beyond the power of the good and father to endure—his reason was almost overthrown, and he is now a madman.—*Hoplist Register.*

Murrell's Head.—A correspondent of the Philadelphia Saturday Courier says that the remains of the great land pirate, John A. Murrell, were discovered by Drs. Dixon and Mallon, who are now in possession of his extraordinary head. They are visiting the principal cities in the United States with the cranium, as lecturers on phrenology, &c.

Wonderful Machine.—A Dr. Roth has completed an automaton calculator in England, which surpasses the automaton Chess player, invented by Mr. Maelzel. It performs all the operations of arithmetic, from simple addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of numbers, of pounds, shillings and pence, to vulgar and decimal fractions, involution and evolution, and arithmetical and geometrical progression; it appears particularly adapted for checking long calculations of quantities for contractors, for merchant's counting houses, or for government officers.

Not Bad.—A preacher, says an exchange paper, expounding on his own authority, in a country village, remarked that commentators did not agree with him. Next day he received a basket of kidney potatoes from one of the rustic disciples, who remarked that "since commentators didn't agree with him, he had taken the liberty to present him with some of the best kidney tumors."

The Boston Bee says there is a man in Litchfield, so large that it takes him three nights to get asleep all over. He gets partly asleep one night, and the next night begins where he left off the night before.

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PROSPECTUS FOR THE SECOND YEAR.
At the close of his second volume, the magazine having been commenced on the first of January, 1844, the publisher finds himself irresistibly called on to express the satisfaction and gratitude with which he has been filled by the brilliant and unexampled success that has attended his endeavors to win the public favor. Notwithstanding the difficulties, disappointments and vexations that almost invariably follow the establishment of a new periodical, in the production of which there must be the harmonious co-operation of many heads and many hands—notwithstanding occasionally short-comings, especially in the pictorial department, which no care or diligence could avert and no expenditure prevent, the Columbian Magazine has gone on steadily increasing in support and popularity from the opening number, and if the unbought unsolicited testimony of the press may be received as unswayed by partiality and unbiased by friendship, the efforts of contributors and editor have been satisfactory to the public and accepted as fulfilling the promises made for them at the commencement of the enterprise.

The publisher undertook the work with a firm conviction that the great city of New York was the best and the true home for a magazine of general literature; that notwithstanding the failure of many previous attempts to establish such a work, there could be no impossibility of success with sufficient capital, perseverance and the right system of management both by publisher and editor; stimulated by this conviction he embarked in the enterprise and the result of the first year has proved that his judgment was correct.

It has long ceased to be necessary, or reasonable, that we should speak of the Columbian as an experiment. At all events, it is now an experiment substantially tried. We feel ourselves upon as firm a basis as any similar journal in the world. Our principle cares now regard not so much the securing what ground we have gained (for we consider this sufficiently secure) as the extension of our sphere of action and utility—not so much, even, the mere enlargement of our subscription list, as the most suitable modes of catering for the amusement (and shall we say occasionally for the profit?) of our subscribers in the present and in the future—the many whom we have, and the many more we shall undoubtedly have as time rolls on.

We have made arrangements which will enable us to present our friends with embellishments of very superior taste, style and finish. In this respect it is our firm purpose, if possible, to outvie all competition. Our music and engravings, we confidently believe, will not be equaled—very certainly they shall not be surpassed in real merit by those of any other magazine. We propose to give each month two or more superb engravings, independently of two pages of music, by the most eminent composers, and a plate of authentic fashions.

Regarding the literary and editorial conduct of the Columbian, the publisher does not feel called upon to say more than a very few words. The general management of this department is, as heretofore, entrusted to a gentleman possessing every qualification for the task, and who has given abundant evidence, not only of the highest ability to put forth a meritorious magazine, but of the ability to put forth a magazine exactly adapted to the tastes of our readers. The publisher, therefore, has every confidence that what has already been done for the literary value of the journal will be done again. We are perfectly willing that our future in this respect shall be estimated by our past. The subjoined list of those who have furnished articles for the Columbian during the by-gone year will satisfy, we feel assured, the most fastidious that we are resolute to spare in no particular neither exertion or expense.

- Mrs L H Sigourney
- Mrs Kirkland
- Mrs A S Stephens
- Mrs F S Osgood
- Mrs E O Smith
- Mrs A C Mowatt
- Mrs E F Ellet
- TS Authur
- HP Grattan
- The Author of the "Widow of Bruges"
- H T Tuckerman
- James F Otis