

POETRY.

ON WOMAN.

By Mrs. Husland.

Ye are stars of the night, ye are gems of the morn;

THE ROSE—A SIMILE.

The Rose—the sweetly blooming Rose,

But oh! how soon its sweets are gone,

Then, since the fairest form that's made,

From the Trenton Emporium.

Retrospection.—There is something inexpressibly sweet in the retrospect of days gone by.

Memory is the nurse of Genius.—She fondles him in infancy, feeds him from her bosom, inspires him with courage, equips him with learning, brings the past for his instruction, yields the future to his hopes, and as she encircles his cradle with flowers, strews wreaths of immortality on his grave.

Knowledge is certainly one of the means of pleasure, as is confessed by the natural desire which every mind feels of increasing its ideas.—Ignorance is mere privation by which nothing can be produced: it is a vapid in which the soul sits motionless and torpid for want of attraction: and without knowing why, we always rejoice when we learn, and grieve when we forget.

It is for young men to gather knowledge, and for old men to use it; and assure yourself, that no man gives a fairer account of his time than he that makes it his daily study to make himself better.

The true motives of our actions, like the real pipes of an organ, are usually concealed. But the gilded and the hollow pretext is pompously placed in the front for show.

Chinese Women.—The idolators of beauty, the Chinese, are forever at the feet of the beings whom they persecute. When any of their wives are indisposed, they fasten a silken thread round her wrist, the cord of which is given to the physician, and it is only by the motion which the pulsation communicates to it that he is allowed to judge of the state of the patient. This precaution of jealousy is almost unique in its kind.

Slanderers.—When certain persons abuse us, let us ask ourselves what description of characters it is they admire?—We shall often find this a very consolatory question.

Drunkenness is the vice of a good constitution or a bad memory; of a constitution so treacherously good that it never bends until it breaks; or of a memory that recollects the pleasures of getting drunk; but forgets the pains of getting sober.

Bessie Bell and Mary Gray, They were two bonny lassies;

Perthshire Recollections.—During the mortal plague which raged in Scotland about the middle of the 15th century, these "two bonny lassies," in a mingled spirit perhaps of romance and prudent caution, retired to a pleasant "burn side," on the estate of Lord —, in Perthshire, where they built them a little house of the shrubs and bushes which waved in sweet luxuriance around them; and providing a supply of such comforts of nature as they should direct designed to remain in their happy seclusion till the terror of the pestilence was overpast.

Sheridan's Pauses.—A Scotch Clergyman had visited London and seen, amongst other tricks of pulpit oratory, "Sheridan's Pause," exhibited. During his first sermon after his return, he had taken occasion at the termination of a very impassioned sentence, to stop all of a sudden, and pause in "mute, unbreathing silence."

DEFERRED ARTICLES.

Danville, (Ken.) Jan. 4.

On yesterday morning, between the hours of 1 & 2 o'clock, our citizens were aroused by the appalling cry of Fire, which was soon discovered to proceed from the Danville Branch Bank, and was extinguished in a few minutes. It was evidently the work of some person or persons, who had entered the bank for the purpose of robbing the vault, in the door of which a false key was found which appears to have been prepared for the purpose, and by which the vault door had been opened: the amount taken therefrom has not been ascertained. Fire had been communicated to papers in three different places; a number of which are destroyed, and the books of the bank are very much mutilated by the flame, which will probably cause great perplexity in conducting the affairs of the institution. We shall probably have it in our power to state the amount of loss, in cash taken, next week.

Philadelphia, Jan. 21.

At three o'clock this morning, the auction store at the corner of Chesnut and third streets, occupied by T. Passmore & Co. was consumed to the ground, even the brick walls having entirely fallen, and almost all the goods destroyed. The adjoining house in Chesnut street, occupied by S. Potter & Co. as a bookstore, was also destroyed, with nearly all the books and stationary, even those saved being very much damaged. Adjacent buildings were injured, but not materially.

Wilmington, (Del.) Jan. 31.

An explosion took place at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, at Eden Park Powder Mills, situated on the south side of Christian's Creek about a mile from this borough. The shock was sensibly felt in town and as the works are in view, the cause was quickly ascertained—when our citizens, and the several Fire Companies with their engines and horse, hastened to the scene of distress with an alacrity for which too much praise cannot be conferred upon them, but we blush for the credit of our town whilst we state it, when they arrived at the Christiana Bridge, they found the gates closed against them, and Mrs. Warner, the Keeper, flinging her arms like a fury, insisting that they should pay toll before they crossed! Whether all complied with her requisition we cannot say; however we know that toll was received from many. Such conduct, at such a time, from one of that sex to whom we are taught to look up, in distress as "ministering angels," fills us with disgust. Truly there is a something connected with this bridge, which calls loudly for reformation.—The public good, the honor of our Borough demand it. Is the Keeper or the Company in fault? or both?

The bright silvery cloud which arose in awful grandeur from the ruins, recalled to the minds of our citizens former accidents of a similar nature, and told them to prepare to behold a scene of horror and distress—to hear of fatherless children, and widows, and the bereaved, upon whom the morning sun shone in their happiness, and to whom it was to set in all the dreariness of their desolation. The prospect was indeed heart-sickening. Six lifeless bodies of the workmen presented themselves to view in the field adjacent to the works, whither they had been carried by the force of the explosion. Seven were badly hurt. Hopes are entertained of the recovery of some of them. Two horses were killed. We are happy to state that the proprietor, Mr. Garesche, and his family, escaped unhurt.

JUST PUBLISHED.

AND FOR SALE AT THE BOOKSTORE OF J. GALES & SON.

A New System of GEOMETRY, entitled "A Compendious System of Elementary Geometry in seven books: To which an eighth is annexed, containing such other propositions as are elementary, among which are a few that are necessary, beyond those of the System, to the more advanced parts of the Mathematics. By JOSEPH CALDWELL D. D. President of the University of North-Carolina. Subjoined is a treatise of Plane Trigonometry by the same, and Spherical Trigonometry by Dr. Robert Simpson of Glasgow." This is the System now studied in the University, and upon which those who become students there, will be hereafter expected to be prepared, for prosecuting a Mathematical Course.

January 25. 19

A GOOD OPPORTUNITY.

THE PROPRIETORS of the OBSERVER & GAZETTE, will sell a great bargain of their Printing Establishment in this place.

From the many advantages in point of local situation, with the extensive patronage this paper now possesses, it promises to be ere long, one of the most profitable Journals in the State; and at the same time, to afford a good field for the display of useful talent. To a man of some capital, practically acquainted with the details of a printing office, such an opportunity seldom occurs.

Further information may be obtained, by letter, addressed to James Seawell, Fayetteville, N. C. Fayetteville, N. C. Dec. 1822. 16

PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE Subscribers have taken out Letters of Administration on the Estate of John Stewart, late of Lancaster District, Cabinet Maker, deceased.

The said John Stewart was a native of Guilford County, N. C. but emigrated to this State at about the age of eighteen or twenty years, and left no heirs so far as we can ascertain.

If he has any legal heirs, they are hereby notified to make application within twelve months from this date, to James H. Witherpoon, Esq. Judge of the Court of Ordinary for the said District, or to either of the Subscribers.

WM. MCKINNA, ABRAHAM PERRY. Lancaster Dist. S. C. Nov. 15, 1822. 9-1yr

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

ASH COUNTY. Superior Court of Law, Sept. Term, 1822.

George Bower, vs. George Hawk, & William Hawk. Original Writ executed on George Hawk, and original attachment vs. Wm Hawk, levied on one horse Collar, no other goods or property to be found.—John Ray, Sheriff.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that William Hawk is an inhabitant of another State, it is ordered that advertisement be made three months in the Raleigh Register, for the Defendant to come in and defend at the next Court to be held for this County, on the third Monday of March next, or judgment will be entered against him by default.

A true copy. 18 Test, D. EARNEST, Clerk.

Blanks of all kinds may be had at this office.

CONTRACTORS WANTED.

THE letting of the Works for the Improvement of the obstructions in the Cape-Fear River below Wilmington, is postponed until the 1st of March next. These Works are to be executed agreeably to Plans and Specifications made out by Hamilton Fulton, State Engineer, who will attend at Wilmington from the 22d inst. to the 1st of March, for the purpose of exhibiting the Plans, receiving Proposals, & concluding a Contract. For the information of those at a distance who may be inclined to offer for the work, the Specifications are hereunto annexed. Raleigh, Feb. 6, 1823. —20

SPECIFICATION

Of the Embankments & Jetties for the improvement of the Cape-Fear River below Wilmington.

The Embankments between Clark's Island and Eagle's Island, and between Campbell's Island and the western part of the River, are to consist of two rows of piles, with a clear width of ten feet between the two rows; in each row the piles are to be made out of good pine timber, of such size as will square to 12 inches; they are to be heaved on the two meeting sides, so as to present a flat surface to each other of at least 10 inches wide on an average. They are to be driven quite close together, and as far into the bed of the river as it is possible to drive them with a pile driving machine having a rammer of from 12 to 15 Cwt. and falling from a height of 25 feet at least, and when driven thus far, the piles are to be of such length as to leave 5 feet at least, above the ordinary height of high water mark of spring tides.

2. On the outside of each row of piles there is to be a string piece of pine timber of 9 inches square, fixed about 2 feet from the top of the piles, and to run horizontally for the whole length of the Embankment. Opposite the centre of each pile there is to be an auger hole of 1 1/2 inches in diameter bored through the string piece and pile, and a white oak trenail of sufficient size driven quite through them both. The different pieces of timber used in the string pieces are to be joined by a scarf overlapping 18 inches at least.

3. In every 10 feet of length in the embankment, there is to be a cross piece sufficient in length to extend from outside to outside of the string pieces, and to project therefrom at least 12 inches at each end; these cross pieces or braces are to be of timber that will square 12 inches, and to be notched 6 inches deep, so as to embrace the heads of the piles upon which they rest, and the outside string pieces. Immediately on the upper side of these cross pieces is to be laid a string piece of 9 inches square, along the inside of both rows of piles for the whole length of the embankment, and to be fastened to the head of each pile by a trenail as described for the outside string pieces.

4. The whole of the space on the inside of the piling is to be filled up with earth flush to the under side of the cross pieces, and in executing this part of the work, the contractor is to carefully arrange the soil, so as that part of it which is of a vegetable consistency may be put nearest the piles on both sides; the intermediate space may be filled up with such other soil as can be conveniently obtained.

5. The jetties are to consist of a single row of piles of 10 inches square, driven firmly into the bed of the river, at the distance of 10 feet from each other. Each of these piles is to have a tenon at the top of 3 inches thick, 10 inches wide and 6 inches long. On the top of these piles is to be placed a capsill, 10 inches square, with mortices on the under side for the reception of the tenons on the piles, there is to be a trenail of sufficient size to fill an auger hole one and a half inches in diameter, to be driven through the capsill and tenon; the upper side of this capsill is to be on a level with the ordinary height of high water of spring tides.

6. Between each of the square piles, the place is to be filled up with two inch thick pine plank piling, driven firmly into the soil, and spiked by 2 spikes of 5 inches long, into the capsill.

7. When any deviation or alterations from the Plans, Sections, or Specifications, as the case may be, is proposed by the Engineer or Contractor, whereby the work may be increased, altered or diminished, due notice in writing shall be given of the same by the party proposing such deviation or alteration to the other, and the Contractor shall not begin to execute any part of the same until a price is fixed and an agreement made, otherwise he shall have no payment for what he does, and in case the deviation is agreed to, and the demand made by the Contractor for executing such deviation shall be more than the Principal Engineer shall think reasonable, then the Board of Internal Improvements or the Principal Engineer shall have it in their power to contract or agree with any other person for the same, at such under price as they may think proper, without the Contractor having any demand against the Board or Engineer aforesaid, for such transaction, and the Contractor shall deduct out of the contract price such sums as may be saved by such deviation.

8. Should it appear at any time during the execution of any part of the contract to the said Board or their Principal Engineer, that the Contractor is not executing his work agreeably to his contract, he or they shall give notice to him of such deficiency, and in case he does not immediately remedy the same, they shall have it in their power to stop the work until he can shew them satisfactorily that he possesses the power of remedying the defects or insufficiency complained of, and should he fail in performing the same, the Board or Principal Engineer shall have it in their power to discharge the Contractor from the work and take the contract out of his hands, the value of the work executed, and materials and tools on hand being previously ascertained by the Principal Engineer, and which shall be immediately paid. Yet in case the Contractor shall have been furnishing unnecessary tools and implements for the work, and which, in the Engineer's opinion may be of little or no use to the work, the said Engineer may reject such tools and implements, should he think proper.

9. It must be done to the entire satisfaction of the Principal Engineer, and as may, from time to time, be necessary, agreements being made as above specified, and in the absence of opinion shall arise between the Superintendants of the work and the Contractor, respecting the explanation

or meaning of any part of the Plans, Sections, or Specifications, the same shall be left to the Principal Engineer, whose decision shall be final.

JUST PUBLISHED

By Joseph Gales & Son, Raleigh. "The North-Carolina Register, and United States Calendar, for the year of our Lord 1823, being the 47th of the Independence of the United States,—compiled from authentic documents. By the Rev. Colin M'Iver." Nov. 20.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA. Anson County.

Superior Court of Law—September term, 1822.

Judith M. Murcheson, vs. Angus Murcheson. } Petition for a Divorce, &c.

ORDERED by the Court, that publication be made three months in the Raleigh Register, that the defendant do appear at the next Superior Court of Law to be held for the county of Anson, at the Court-House in Wadesboro, on the second Monday in March next, and answer said Petition; otherwise the same will be heard ex-parte.

Witness, Martin Pickett, Clerk of said Court, at office, the 2d Monday in September, 1822.

14 MARTIN PICKETT, C.S.C.

GATES SUPERIOR COURT OF LAW.

Prudence Williams, vs. George Williams. } Petition for Divorce.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that George Williams has removed himself without the limits of this State, so that the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him: It is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Edenton Gazette and Raleigh Register, for three months, that the said George Williams appear at the next term of the Superior Court of Law to be held for the county of Gates, at the Court-House in Gates, on the first Monday after the fourth Monday of March 1823, otherwise judgment will be entered pro-confesso against him, and set for hearing ex-parte.

14 H. GILLIAM, C.S.C.G.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

Cabarrus County. Superior Court of Law, Fall Term, 1822.

Sarah Bradshaw, vs. Eli Bradshaw. } Petition—Divorce.

ORDERED by the Court, that the Defendant, Eli Bradshaw, is not an inhabitant of this State—It is therefore ordered that publication be made three months in the Raleigh Register and Western Carolinian, that the Defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law to be held for Cabarrus County, on the 7th Monday after the 4th Monday in March, to plead to said petition, otherwise the petition will be heard ex-parte, and decreed accordingly.

JAMES M. HUTCHISON, Clerk.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

Anson County.

John Watson, vs. George Dunlap, Mary Pitman, Elizabeth Pitman, Zelpha Pitman. } IN EQUITY.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that Zelpha Pitman, one of the defendants in this cause, resides out of the limits of this State; It is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Raleigh Register for six weeks successively; that the said defendant do appear before the Judge of our next Court of Equity to be held for the County of Anson, at the Courthouse in Wadesboro, on the second Monday in March next, then and there to plead answer or demurrer, otherwise the said bill will be taken pro-confesso and heard ex-parte as to her.

20 Test. A. LITTLE, C. M. E.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

Greene County. Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, November Term, 1822.

Rebecca Eason, vs. William Eason & others. } Petition for Dower.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that William Eason, Seth Eason, Sterling Eason, and Howel Eason, are not residents of this state; it is therefore ordered, that publication be made in the Raleigh Register for three months for the defendants to appear at the next Court to be held for the County of Greene, at the Court-House in Snowhill, on the second Monday of February next, then and there to answer; or the petition will be taken pro-confesso. Witness, William Williams, Clerk of our said Court, at office the second Monday of November, A. D. 1822.

14 WM. WILLIAMS, C. C. C.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

Haywood County. Superior Court of Law, October Term, 1822.

John Crow, vs. James Holland. } The petition of John Crow against James Holland, land, to vacate a Grant.

WHEREAS, it appears to the satisfaction of the Court, that the Defendant is an inhabitant of another State—it is therefore ordered that publication be made for three months in the Raleigh Register, that the Defendant appear at the next Superior Court of Law to be held for the county of Haywood, at the Court-house in Waynesville, on the first Wednesday after the 4th Monday in March next, then and there to plead answer or demurrer, otherwise the petition will be heard ex-parte.

1. John B. Love, Clerk of the Superior Court of Law, do certify that the above is a complete copy of the records in my office.

JOHN B. LOVE, Clerk. Dec. 10, 1822. 15—