Apollo's Fount.

From the NATIONAL ÆGIS.

STANZAS.

To THOMAS JEFFERSON, President of the United States.

OFT has the poet's mercenary song,
Correctly mean and elegantly low,
Told the false plaudits of a courtly throng,
And wak'd a smile on guilty grandeur's brow.

But, Jefferson, here virtue's guardian hand
Tears from the Syren adulation's power;
Thy spotless praise, the voice of every land
Hangs on the wing of every parting hour.

Here born to poet's mercenary song,
Echo the praises of a courtly throng,
Nor the poor wealth of many a powerful state,
Buy a new honor for the *truly great.*

Proud of her theme the Muse would gladly rise,
And soar, majestic, through yon azure skies;
For here the power of heaven-descending verse,
Would but a nation's *gratitude* rehearse.

From Europe's shores to farther India's lands,
From Gange's flood, to Afric's burning sands,
Thy worth, thy *greatness* to the world are known;
Majestic virtue soars above a *throne.*

Long had we groan'd beneath oppression's chains,
Long had we wept for darling liberty,
When Jefferson, in mild seraphic strains,
Bade us our fetters scorn, and *dare be free.**

The voice of millions lift thee o'er the realm,
Which thou, with Washington, from slavery freed;
Powerful is virtue, now thou rul'st the helm;
In peace—in war, the blest of Heaven succeed.

While this great globe shall on its Axis roll,
Or twinkling planets in their orbits run;
Thy deathless name shall sound from pole to pole,
And rival e'en Columbia's Washington.

'Tis thine to breathe new virtue o'er the earth,
T' inspire the love of liberty in man,
To bring creation to a glorious birth,
To charm perfection, and complete the plan.

Oh! born to grace and dignify mankind,
Years long await thee—time himself shall stay;
For thou hast op'd resplendent to the mind,
The bright effulgence of fair freedom's ray.

"Long may'st thou live (the soul of nature cries,)
"Greatest of mortals, favorite of the skies."

ROSANNA MARIA.

Sutton, November, 1802.

* *Alluding to the Declaration of American Independence*

From the AMERICAN FARMER.

Lines addressed to Miss S——C——n.

Receive, dear Susan, from a friend,
And read them too with care;
The lines sincerity has penn'd,
To warn an artless fair.

Of flatt'ry, gentle maid, beware,
Shun its delusive sound;
It spreads for innocence a snare,
By which our reason's bound.

Believe not all a poet writes,
Because he praises you;
But think how much that praise delights,
When we're convinc'd 'tis true.

But poets licence have, you know,
To praise or rail at pleasure;
And surely he who writes of you
With praise must fill his measure.

For flatt'ry's power full well he knows,
Is great in female minds:
And in the smiles the fair bestows,
His recompence he finds.

VERITAS.

Epitaph on JOSEPH CRUMP.

Once ruddy and plump,
But now a pale lump,
Beneath this old stump,
Lies honest Joe Crump,
Who wish'd to his neighbor no evil;
But yet by death's thump,
He's laid on his rump,
Yet up he shall jump,
When he hears the last trump,
And triumph over death and the devil.

SCRAP—FROM YOUNG.

He that's ungrateful, has no fault but one.
All other crimes may pass for virtues in him.

Entertainment.

SELECTION.

Something worth asking for.

A CHRISTMAS TALE.

An eminent lawyer married a young lady of great beauty and accomplishments. In every respect but one the gentleman behaved unexceptionably — Though the bride was charmed with her husband's politeness and generosity, for he was continually loading her with presents, and assuring her of his everlasting attachment to her, yet she could not help lamenting in secret, that he was fond of separate beds. At last she laid open her situation to her father and mother. The good folks paid the husband a visit. They at first gave distant hints of the cause that brought them to the house, and at last they told him though in general terms, that their daughter was much dissatisfied with his conduct to her. He seemed astonished that his wife should be so unreasonable as to complain of him, who was not conscious of denying her any thing she wished for.—My dear son-in-law, said the father, you are very kind in every thing but one; you dont lie with your wife! Whose fault is that? said the married man: She never once asked me. Nay, but son, said the old man, you know that's a thing never demanded. No: replied the husband, believe me, sir, that's a poor thing, indeed, that's not worth asking for.

The misfortune of being ugly.

A girl was on the point of being hanged at Vienna. Her youth and beauty made a great impression upon the heart of one of the spectators. who was a Neapolitan, a middle aged man, but excessively ugly. As he had but a few minutes to make up his mind, he ran immediately to the place of execution, and declaring his intention to marry the criminal, demanded her pardon. According to the custom of the country the pardon was granted, on condition that the girl was not averse to the match. He accordingly addressed her in these terms: Madam, I am a gentleman of some property, and now I wish, for the first time, that I were a king, only that I might afford you a stronger proof of my attachment.—— "Alas! sir," replied the girl, "I am thoroughly sensible of your affection and generosity; but I am not mistress over my own heart, and I cannot believe my own sentiments. Unfortunately they controul my fate, and I prefer the death with which I am threatened, to marrying so ugly a fellow as you are." The Neapolitan retired in confusion, and the woman directed the executioner to do his office.

Another Infernal Machine.

The French papers mention a most horrible conception which was attempted to be carried into effect by a miscreant at Lyons. He has hired a sort of stable, having an entrance from the street; in this he had dug a pit about six feet square, and twenty in depth. This was covered by planks moving on a swivel, which at one end were confined only by a slender thread.—There was a lateral hollow in one side of the pit filled with straw, which by an apparatus he could set on fire, for the purpose of smothering his victims, with a sort of windless to draw them up, and in an obscure corner a grave for their interment. He first tried his infernal machine on a country woman coming to the market with fruit.—She being called in, fell into the trap, and he attempted to set the straw on fire. In his haste he happily failed, and being affrighted by her loud and reiterated cries, he took to flight. The woman was extricated by the neighbours with but little injury. The villain was arrested, and will undergo the punishment due to his crime.

A remarkable foot race was run at Newton, in Lancashire, last week. A man from Saddleworth, in Yorkshire, and another from Oldham, near Manchester, were the competitors; and the Yorkshire man staked the other 50 guineas to 40. The distance was 3 times round the Newton course, or 3 miles; which the Yorkshire man ran in 13 minutes and 50 seconds; having beaten his antagonist more than a quarter of a mile. At the conclusion of the race, he offered a considerable wager, that he wold run round the course 10 times more at the same rate; which was not accepted. An immense concourse of people were present, and bets to the amount of more than 2000l. were depending. [*Lon. pa.*

When lord Jefferies, before he was judge, was pleading at the bar once, a country fellow, giving evidence against his client, pushed the matter very home on the side he swore of.—Jefferies, after his usual way, called out to the fellow, "hark you, you fellow, in the leather doublet, what have you for swearing?" To which the countryman smartly replied. "Faith, sir, if you had no more for *lying*, than I have for *swearing*, you might e'en wear a leather doublet too.

To the Farmers.

Hoxies Patent Threshing Machine.

THE utility of this Machine to the farming interest must be evident to any person who sees it, being far superior to any thing of the kind heretofore introduced. The Machinery is so simple that any person handy with carpenter's tools may erect one at a small expence.—It will with the help of one horse and two or three hands seperate more grain from the straw than ten horses can possibly do in the common way, as by the following certificate will more fully appear, viz.

"We the subscribers have examined HOXIES *Threshing Machine*, now to be seen at Samuel Yarnall's, in Easton, and believe it to be the best invention for seperating all kinds of grain from the straw we ever had any knowledge of, turned by two men in our prefence it seperated fourteen single band sheaves of Wheat from the straw in a minute, (forty of which we suppose would make a bushel) much cleaner than we ever experienced in the common mode.

Edward Coursey,
Owen Kennard,
James Cowan,
Samuel Yarnall,
John Harwood,
Robert Lloyd Nicalls,
Henry Nicolls, junr.
Peter Denny,
Robert Moore.

N. B. By placing the Machine over a Fan it will clean the gain as it falls from it without any additional labour.

The subscribers have purched the sole right of disposing of Patent Rights for said Machine, in Talbot County.

SAMUEL YARNALL.
ROBERT MOORE.

☞ Samuel Yarnall, for Kent, in Maryland; and Robert Moore, for Kent and Sussex in Delaware, Dorchester, Caroline, Somersett and Worcester in Maryland; and Accomac and Northampton, in Virginia.

Easton Md. 21st 12th mo. 1802. tf

To be Sold,

AT PUBLIC VENDUE,

At the Farm called THOMAS, *on Wednesday the fifth of January next, the following property, viz.*

ONE Coachee, and Horses, about four hundred barrels of corn, horses, oxen, and farming utensils—all the property of the late Mrs. Rebecca Goldsborough, deceased. Cash will be required for all sums under five pounds; a credit of nine months will be given on all over the stipulated sum, the purchaser giving bond and security to be approved of by the subscriber.

CHAS. GOLDSBOROUGH,
Ex'or of Rebecca Goldsborough, dec'd.

Pleasant Valley, Dec. 21, 1802. 3

JAMES TROTH,
Clock & Watch Maker Easton.

THE Subscriber having purchased the stock and materials of Mr. Benjamin Willmott, intends carrying on the above business in all its various branches; and from his knowledge in the line of his profession, and a determination to pay the strictest attention to such orders as he may be favored with, hopes to render general satisfaction.

Clocks made and repaired by the year

The subscriber takes the liberty of recommending to the attention of the public, and his friends in particular, Mr. James Troth, who will continue the Clock and Watch Making Business, in the shop that he occupied.

BENJAMIN WILLMOTT.

Easton, October 26, 1802.

Under a Decree of the honorable Chancellor of Maryland, the subscriber will expose to public sale, on the premises, on the 4th Tuesday in January next,

ALL that valuable tract of LAND, lying near Church Hill, in Queen-Ann's County, called SPRINGFIELD, and containing three hundred and twenty acres, more or less, which was heretofore sold by James Brown, esq. to Henry Storey, late of the said county, deceased.—The said Land will be sold on a credit of fifteen months, the purchaser giving bond with approved security to the subscriber, for the payment of the purchase money, with legal interest thereon from the time of sale.

RICHARD T. EARLE, *Trustee*

Centreville, Dec. 20, 1802. ts

Take Notice.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of *Jesse Hopkins*, or *Joseph Nealle*, late of Talbot county, deceased, neglecting to come forward and settle their respective accounts on or before the first day of April next, may expect to be dealt with as the law directs, without respect to persons—All those having claims against the above estates, are desired to exhibit their claims on or before the aforesaid day, or they may be excluded by law from any benefit thereof.

E. & JAMES NEALLE, Ex'rs of J. Nealle, and Adm'rs de bonis non of Jesse Hopkins, dec'd.

21st 12th mo. 1802. 3

LIFE OF
GENERAL WASHINGTON.

THE subscriber having purchased of the honorable Bushrod Washington, the copyright of the History of the late

General George Washington,
COMMANDER IN CHIEF
Of the Armies of North America, during the war which effected the
INDEPENDENCE OF OUR COUNTRY;
AND
First President of the United States,

Has it now in his power to offer to the public the following

PROPOSALS

For Publishing it by Subscription.

The work will be faithfully composed under the inspection of Judge Washington himself, principally from the original papers *bequeathed to him by the deceased General. On its correctness the most entire confidence may be placed.*

The life of this illustrious citizen necessarily comprises so large and interesting a portion of the history of this country, that the work, it was conceived, would be rendered much more complete, as well as much more gratifying to the reader, by connecting with it some general account of the origin and progress of the people, who were conducted, under his auspices, from dependent colonies to self government.

A compendious view, therefore, will be taken, by way of introduction to the Life of General Washington, *of the settlements of the Europeans in North America, and of the advance of the British colonies from their feeble and infantine conditions, until they attained that state of manhood, when, with arms in their hands, they asserted and established their independence.*

Various circumstances have delayed the execution of the work; but it is now in considerable forwardness, and will soon be ready for the press. Bond, with security, has been given that it shall be published.

CONDITIONS.

The work will be handsomely printed, with a new type, on vellum paper, hot pressed, *to be comprised in four or five octavo volumes, of from 450 to 500 pages each, and embellisded with an elegant portrait of the General, engraved by the best artist in the country, from an original painting by the celebrated* Stuart.

The price to subscribers will be three dollars *each volume, in boards; and the price of one volume to be paid* in advance, *on subscribing; this advance to be continued with each volume until the work is completed. To non-subscribers it will be enhanced.*

It is intended to furnish plans and charts of those parts of the country which were the scenes of the most important events during the war: these to be published in a volume by themselves and charged as such.

It is contemplated to put the work to press early next year. The intermediate time will be occupied in obtaining subscribers, and making arrangements for printing.

☞ *The names of subscribers to be published.*

Those who wish to be possessed of this invaluable history, will do well to transmit their names early. In the country, and in small villages, an union can take place among all who mean to subscribe, and in one letter several names may be forwarded, specifying the number of copies, and inclosing the requisite advance money.

The publisher intending to visit many of the large towns in the United States, for the purpose of obtaining subscribers, declines at present employing agents for that purpose. Subscriptions will be received by himself alone, at No. 36, Market-street, Philadelphia.

Orders from Canada, Nova Scotia, and the West Indies, will be received, and punctually executed.

☞ *All letters must have the postage paid.* C. P. WAYNE.

Philadelphia, September 24, 1802.

October 12, 1802.

☞ *Subscribers to the above work, are received at the Star-Office, Easton, Md.*

To be Rented,

And possession given on the first day of January next,

THE Store and Compting Room at present occupied by Mr. Samuel Nicols, with a dry cellar under the same. For terms, apply to

THOMAS PERRIN SMITH.

December 21, 1802.

For Sale,

Two Hundred and Fifty Barrels of

INDIAN CORN.

CHARLES HOBBS.

Head of Wye, Talbot county, Dec. 21, 1802. 3q

Notice.

THE subscriber being appointed by the Chancellor of Maryland, trustee for William Patton, hereby requests all persons indebted to said Patton previous to the first of September last, to come forward and make immediate payment. JAMES PATTON, Trustee.

Queen Ann's county, Dec. 14, 1802. 3q

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having any claims against the estate of *Thomas Skinner*, late of Somerset county, deceased, are requested to bring in their accounts for settlement, by the twenty-eighth day of May next, 1803, to JOHN NELSON, Adm'r.

December 14, 1802. 3

Postponement of Sale.

THE Sale of the following valuable property is postponed until Monday the 10th day of January next, when it will be sold on the premises, in small lots of thirty acres and upwards, except the lower part, with the improvements, which will contain about 100 acres. The lots will be laid off to front the main road leading to Bailey's Neck, and the Creek. The terms of sale as before mentioned. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock.

November 30. J. H.

Valuable Lands for Sale.

The subscriber will offer for sale at public vendue, on Tuesday the 14th December next, at Mr. Prince's Tavern, Easton,

THAT valuable FARM, being formerly a part of Peach Blossom estate, and now the property of Graham, Haskins, & Co. containing 350½ acres, laying on the main road within 3½ miles of Easton, and on the branch of Third Haven, running up to Peach Blossom; bounded on one side by the Creek, two sides by the main road, and the other by an established division fence between that and Parrot's land in Bailey's Neck—the cleared land lays on the creek, by which much fencing is saved. In point of situation there are few farms have greater advantages than this, laying on navigable water sufficient for a vessel of 2000 bushels to load at the landing, and abounding in fish, oysters and wild fowl, in their seasons. The improvements are, a tolerable good frame dwelling house, kitchen and meat house, and a good barn with sheds, a small apple orchard, &c. About one half is wood land, the greater part of which is heavily covered with white and red oak, hickory and black walnut; and there is within a convenient distance of the house, a never failing spring of excellent water. The terms of sale are one fourth cash, and the remaining three fourths in three equal annual instalments, with interest from the day of sale—the purchaser giving bond with approved security. JOSEPH HASKINS, for G. HASKINS & Co.

November 16, 1802. ts.

Valuable Lands for Sale.

I WILL sell about fifteen hundred acres of LAND, situated on the head of Moni Creek, about four miles from Princess Anne, in Somerset county.—There is on said lands a large brick dwelling house two stories high, with an entry and three good rooms on a floor; the out houses are all good—The place has been some years rented, and of course out of repair as to the inclosures. It is among the handsomest situations in that county, and it cannot be exceeded by any lands on the Eastern Shore for the finest timber. If the lands are not sold by the 2d Monday in January next, they will be laid off in lots of about five hundred acres each, and offered at public sale.

I have also for sale a farm on Wecomoco River, of about seven hundred acres of land, with a grist mill, situated by the upper ferry—To prevent any unnecessary application for that, I will not take less than Twenty Dollars per acre. A part of the purchase money will be required on the sale, that will be small, a long credit will be given for the balance, on giving bond and good security.

HENRY WAGGAMAN.

Dorchester county, Nov. 16, 1802. ts.

N. B. Mr. Elias Bailey, who lives near the lands on Moni River, will shew the same to any person desirous of seeing them. The seven hundred acres will be laid off in lots, so as to suit the purchasers. H. W.

For Sale.

THE subscriber offers for sale two valuable MARES, their pedigree is indisputable; as these mares are only an encumberance to him in his present situation, he will part with them on the most liberal terms for cash, apple brandy, pork, or on a short credit, the purchaser giving bond and security if required. Those wishing to purchase may see the property at the Trappe, Talbot county, apply to

WILLIAM LOWREY.

October 19, 1802. tf

BLANKS.

May be had at the Star Office, printed with a neat Type, on good paper,

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Bills of Sale.
Notes of hand.
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☞ Orders by the mail thankfully received and punctually attended to, by the PRINTER.

WHEREAS Mary Pelham, my wife, has made her elopement from my bed and board without any just cause, I forewarn all persons from receiving any of my property that she may commit to their charge, or contracting with her, as I protest against paying any such contracts.

ABIJAH PELHAM.

December 7, 1802. 3q