Apollo's Fount.

LEDYARD'S PRAISE OF WOMEN.

THROUGH many a land and clime a ranger,
With toilsome steps I've held my way,
A lonely unprotected stranger,
To all the stranger's ills a prey.
While steering thus my course precarious
My fortune still has been to find
Men's heart and disposition various,
But gentle woman ever kind.

Alive in every tender feeling,
To deeds of mercy always prone,
The wounds of pain and sorrow heeling,
With soft compassion's sweetest tone.
No proud delay, no dark suspicion,
Stints the free bounty of their heart;
They turn not from the sad petition,
But cheerful aid at once impart.

Form'd in benevolence of nature,
Obliging, modest, gay and mild,
Woman's the same endearing creature,
In courtly town, and savage wild.
When parch'd with thirst, with hunger wasted,
Her friendly hand refreshment gave;
How sweet the coarsest food had tasted!
What cordial in the simple wave!
Her courteous looks, her words caressing,
Shed comfort of the fading soul;
Woman's the stranger's general blessing,
From sultry India to the Pole.

From a late LONDON PAPER.

LORD LITTLETON'S VISION.

The remarkable circumstances attendant on the death of Lord Lyttleton have been so variously represented, a statement of the realities may afford the public some degree of satisfaction, and tend to prove, that the intervention of that Divine Providence which governs the Universe is not inconsistent with reason or truth.—The *authenticity* of the narrative may be depended upon.

There was a gentleman of much respectability, who had a residence at Clent, near Hagleypark, the seat of Lord Lyttleton. The family consisted of himself, wife, son, and four daughters; the eldest married, the others living with their parents at home. In June, 1778, the gentleman died. Previous to which time Lord Lyttleton was in the habit of visiting the family, but now appeared desirous of greater intimacy; to accomplish which he repeated his visits in the autumn, and made the young ladies a present of some elegant paraphernalia on new year's day, 1779, with a letter subjoined, written in the phraseology of scripture (of which the following is a copy) probably with a view to ingratiate himself with the mother, who was a lady of exalted understanding and great dignity.

THE FIRST CHAPTER OF ST. THOMAS TO THE CLENTILES.

1. Behold, I will speak to the daughters of Clent in the language of wisdom, and give you understanding to guide you in the paths of peace.

2. Look not, Eliza, upon man, nor upon the sons of men with an eye of concupiscence, saying, "am I not spotted?" for verily the wicked will be aware of the intentions of thy heart.

3. Take heed to thy ways, lest thou be like the foolish woman, even like Mary*, who will repent even as Magdalene repented.

4. Did she not turn away from her mother, even the mother that brought her forth, to seek out new inventions?

5. But be thou steady, like the cedar of Mount Lebanon, that taketh its root in the earth, and liftheth its tall head to the skies.

6. As for thee, O Christiana, remember by whom thou art called, and seek not thy cloak in the dark.†

7. Trust not thy cunning, for that which appears to thee wisdom, is but folly to the wise.

8. Go to, thou art brown, but pleasant to look upon; and thy ways are full of sweetness.

9. Thine eye is like the eye of the basilisk, and it burneth like the red star in the tail of the sagittary.

10. Thou dost excel all the daughters of the west in the works of the needle, and thy voice is sweet to the ear.

11. When thou singest, thy voice is like the voice of the nightengale, when she mourneth for her mate by the river of Ziloa, in the shady groves of Jehosaphat.

12. Thy mother putteth her trust in thee, be thou a comfort unto her when her heart is sad, that she may boast of the, and say, "I am the mother of Christiana."

13. As for thee, Oh Margaret, thou rose-bud of sweetness, peace be unto thee.

14. Verily thou art fresh as the dew that hangs upon the lilly in the morning, which is devoured by the greedy sun.

15. Thy cheek is soft, even as the down upon the plum, which the cursed wasp hath never invaded.

16. Thy lip shed the perfumes of Arabia, and the fountain of health in is thy mouth.

17. Thou art a daughter of the Spring, for early dost thou put forth thy loveliness, and many are the days which thou shalt see.

18. But mind, thou blossom of youth, that the finest bud is the soonest blighted; and behold the rushing wind preys upon its sweet.

19. Avoid thou the temper in the wilderness and cast the serpent under thy feet.

20. For, although thy words are fierce and violent, thy heart is soft as the plume on the breast of the swan.

21. Grow up yet but a little, and the sons of men shall be captivated by thy comeliness; and the great men of the land shall sigh for thy beauty.

22. Now for thee, O Mary, the mother of Elizabeth, Christiana, and Margaret, to thee be all honor and praise.

23. Thou dost hold up thy head in the temple, among the rulers of the people, and high is thy fame in the land; thy words are weighty, and full of truth, like unto the proverbs of the son of Sirach.

24. Behold thou art a woman of an exceeding spirit and justice, with temperance, enlighten thy ways.

25. Yet thou art a lonely and widow woman, and the wickedness of men is against thee.

26. Trust not, therefore, to thyself alone; but take unto thee an helpmate, for so hath the Lord appointed.

27. Thus shalt thou be defended from the perils and dangers of widowhood, and shalt answer the purpose of thy creation.

28. Trust not to the honesty of a friend, but believe in the council of him that hath understanding.

The poor mother, not apprehending any disagreeable consequences, read the letter to her daughters, who were then of tender age, the youngest fifteen, the next seventeen, and the other nineteen; which inadvertence (as the mother afterwards thought it) rested very much upon her mind. From repeated attentions on the part of his lordship, familiar intercourse ensued, which terminated in the three young ladies' residence at Hagley-park, quite contrary to the express command of their worthy mother, whose delicacy was thocked at her daughters being under the same roof with a man of Lord Lyttleton's character.

In September, his lordship's engagements required him to visit Ireland. Miss Christiana, at his instigation, accompanied him, together with a lady of Irish extraction. This indiscretion greatly augmented the mother's afflicted state.—About a month after that period, the two sisters, who remained at Hagleypark during the absence of the party, went to meet them at a place where they were expected to land, and all came up together to his lordship's town residence, in Hill-street, Berkley square, where they continued till November. On the 26th of that month, about two in the morning, Lord Lyttleton was awakened by something like the fluttering of a bird among the curtains of his bed, suddenly escaped, and the singer of a woman of majestic aspect (the very singer of the mother of the young ladies, as declared by his lordship,) made her appearance, and told him to prepare for his departure for another world, for that within three days he should be with her in the state of the dead. This most extraordinary occurence making a deep impression on the mind of Lord Lyttleton, he early in the morning, communicated it to the ladies, who ridiculed what appeared to them the effect of an heated imagination; and, to divert his gloom, proposed a visit to Epsom, where his lordship had a seat that he won from Lord Foley. Here they spent the night, and the following day returned to Hill-street, where a party was invited to meet them. Not all the jocularity exerted on the occasion could dissipate the anxiety of his lordship, though he affected to treat the circumstance with contempt; and exclaimed upon retiring, "if I live over to-night, I shall jockey the ghost."

The young ladies accompanied his lordship to his room, to notice some paintings, and presently retired; when, before they were undressed, a servant ran hastily to the door, demanding admittance, and declaring that his lordship was dying. Before the ladies could reach his room, his lordship was speechless, and on their entry expired in great agonies.—What renders the circumstance still more remarkable is, that the next post brought the young ladies an account of their mother's death, who departed precisely at the time that Lord Lyttleton saw the vision.

We forbear any further comments on this extraordinary affair, rather wishing to leave the reader to make his own remarks.

* *The married sister, who acted imprudently.*

† *The circumstance of the cloak refers to a reply to Miss Christiana made when interrogated respecting her absence, viz. that she was looking for her cloak.*

Wanted Immediately,

At the *STAR-OFFICE* an Apprentice *To the Printing Business.*

For Sale at Public Vendue,

On Thursday the Eighth day of September next, at the late dwelling house of John Harrington, deceased, on Fishing creek, in Dorchester county,

ALL the personal estate of the said deceased, consisting of household furniture, the remainder of the Lease which the deceased had in the house and lot whereon he lived. Two Vessels on the stocks unfinished, one fifty feet, the other thirty-eight between joints, with masts and part of the spars for both, ship timbers, a large quantity of oak and pine plank, ship carpenters tools; one mare, one cow and calf, two pair of oxen, one cart, two negro girls, and a variety of other articles. A credit of six months will be given on all sums to the amount of ten dollars, on the purchaser giving bond with approved security, bearing interest from the date, until paid; cash will be required for all sums under ten dollars. No property will be delivered 'till the terms of sale are complied with.

JOSEPH DODSON, *adm'tor. of J. Harrington, dec'd.*

August 16, 1803. 3q

To Rent, for the ensuing year,

THE MILL formerly called Berry's Mill. This mill is an excellent stand for country work, situated on the head of King's creek, three miles from Choptank river, and five from Easton; there is in said mill two pair of stones, one of which is Burr, and a good cloth.

There is a large Meadow adjoining said mill, from which may be from fifteen to twenty tons of hay cut yearly, together with a quantity of up-land, of an excellent quality, and may be cultivated in corn and wheat. This meadow is inclosed with post and rail fence. If the above mill is not rented in two months, the subscriber wishes to hire a young man as miller; and a married man, as overseer, for the ensuing year. For terms apply to the subscriber.

WILLIAM SCOTT.

August 16, 1803. 3

Pursuant to a Decree of the High Court of Chancery, of the State of Maryland, will be exposed at Public Vendue, on Thursday, the 8th day of September next, on the premises,

A VALUABLE Tract or part of a Tract of LAND, called part of Langford's Neck, containing one hundred acres, of which there is a proportion of wood land, with a dwelling house, &c. This farm is situated on Grasin creek, adjoining the land of Thomas Gresham, and is equal to any in the county for fish, fowl, and oysters, in their season. The terms of sale are, the purchaser or purchasers giving bond to the Trustee as such, with approved security, for paying one half of the purchase money, with interest, within one year, and the other half with interest within two years from the day of sale. Attendance will be given at 11 o'clock on said day, if not the next fair day, by

SIMON SMYTH, *Trustee.*

Kent County, Md. August 16, 1803. 3

Lower Mill for Sale.

THE subscriber is authorised to sell the LOWER MILL, on the Red Lyon branch, in Queen Ann's county, situated about five miles below the Head of Chester, on the tide water of Chester river. The house is large, contains two water wheels and is well calculated for a Merchant Mill. Grain may be brought to the mill, and flour taken away by water. The stream is among the best on the Eastern-shore. There is also a good SAW-MILL which has constant employment, and the situation is good for the sale of Plank and Scantling. The dwelling is large and very convenient, having three rooms and a passage on a floor.—There are also on the premises, two other dwellings, for a miller, a cooper or sawyer. The property is well worth the attention of any person who wishes to realize money. It will be sold cheap and on a long credit. Apply on the premises to JOSEPH ELLIOTT.

N. B. If not sold before the end of the year, the above property will be rented on a long lease.

Red-Lyon Mill, Md, August 15, 1803. 3q

COMMITTED to the goal of Prince George's county, Maryland, on the second day of July, a black fellow, by the name of *Jack*, about twenty-two years of age, five feet six inches high, has a scar on his left cheek near his eye, and some grey hairs on his head; his clothing an oznaburg shirt and trousers; says he was sold not long since by Joseph Griffis of Calvert county, Maryland, to a person living in one of the southern states from whom he made his escape; his owner is requested to release him from goal, or he will be sold for his prison fees as the law directs.

THOMAS MACGILL, Sheriff.

Prince George's County, Md. July 19, 1803. 2m

Notice is hereby given,

THAT I intend to prefer a petition to the next General Assembly of Maryland, for a law to discharge me from debts which I am not able to pay.

WILLIAM CRAWFORD.

Caroline County, Maryland, July 19, 1803. 6

To the Free and Independent *VOTERS OF TALBOT COUNTY.*

FELLOW-CITIZENS,

HAVING on a former occasion experienced your friendly suffrage, in a considerable degree, at the election of Sheriff for Talbot county, for which I was then a candidate; and as the time for a new election is approaching, and having still a desire to serve you I take the liberty of making you acquainted with my intention to offer myself a *Candidate* for the Sheriff's Office at the next election. Should you think proper to confide in me your favor will be gratefully acknowledged, by

Your very obedient servant,

PHILEMON WILLIS.

Easton, June 14, 1803. tf

Subscribers to the Star.

The fourth year since the establishment of the STAR, will expire on the 30th of August next, with the 52d number of the present year; when an half yearly payment will become due from original subscribers. To such as have complied with the terms of the paper, the Editor presents his grateful acknowledgments. To that portion of his subscribers who have received the Star from *one* to *four* years without paying for the same, or more than a small portion of their dues, he particularly requests a settlement of their accounts up to that date.

Such as do not attend to this notice, and stand indebted for more than *two years* on the first of September next, their names will be erased from the list of subscribers, and put on a list for collection, in the hands of proper authority, which will be equally as painful to the editor, as it will be offensive to them. This determination in the editor, he hopes may not give offence, when he assures his subscribers that it is equally as impossible for him to publish the Star, for *their* gratification, without receiving payment for the same, as it would be for a virtuous *republican* to turn *federalist* under the present administration.

Star Office, July 26, 1803.

The Citizens of Talbot

WILL be pleased to accept of my most respectful acknowledgments for their former support and suffrages in my favor; and for their polite and civil deportment to me ever since I have been in office.—

I beg leave to make known to all the citizens of Talbot, that I am a CANDIDATE for the SHERIFF'S OFFICE, at the ensuing election; and hereby respectfully solicit the honor of their suffrages and support. I have endeavored to conduct myself in such a manner as to be as little oppressive to the poor as possible; and as indulgent to the people at large as the nature of my office, and duty would allow me to be; if, gentlemen, you should think me worthy of a further continuance of your favors, you will no doubt act as free and independent men, and will confer on me the honor of being again your Sheriff.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient servant,
HUGH SHERWOOD,
of Huntington.

Talbot County, June 7, 1803. tf

HAVING received information from several of my friends on the Eastern Shore, of a report circulating there, that it was my intention to decline the *Commission Business*—I beg leave to assure my friends and the public generally, that no intimation of the kind has at any time fallen from me; and that all those who may be pleased to intrust their property to my care, may rely on every exertion being made for their interest, by their most obedient servant,

RICHARD NICOLS.

Baltimore, August 2, 1803. tf

AT a meeting of the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, held at Wilmington, on the third day of May, 1803,

Resolved, That a payment of five dollars on each share in this Company be required of the subscribers, to be made on or before the first day of September next, to either of the following persons:

Joshua Gilpin	Philadelphia
Joseph Tatnall	Wilmington
Kensey Johns	Newcastle
George Gale	Cecil County, Md.
Samuel Chew	Chestertown.

Books of subscription for the remaining shares in the Company, are now in the hands of the above persons, by whom subscriptions will be received.

JOSEPH TATNALL, President.

May 24, 1803. 15

Notice.

WAS committed to my custody, as a runaway, on the fifth July, (instant) a negro boy, who calls himself *Jonathan*, says he belongs to a certain William Husk, near Battletown, Virginia; he is about fifteen years of age, four feet ten or eleven inches high; has a sullen down look, and a stammering in his speech; his clothing is an old linen shirt, spotted cloth doublet, and white cloth overalls; as also an old wool hat, much worn. LAWRENCE BRENGLE

Sheriff of Frederick County

Fredericktown, July 26, 1803.

Testaments & Spelling Books,

for sale at the Easton book-store.

For Sale or Rent,

A VALUABLE and well improved Farm, containing about 450 acres of land, of which 300 are cleared, under good fencing, and is at present in a high state of cultivation. This Farm is situated on the Main Ditch of the Long Marsh in Caroline county, and adjoining an estate of Mr. William Hemsley—distant from Duck Creek about 20 miles, and from Centreville 15. Upon it are, a dwelling house, negro quarters, stable, meat house, and other necessary buildings for a farm, also two houses for the curing of tobacco—to the growth of which the soil is well adapted. There is likewise a flourishing orchard of upwards of 300 apple trees.

To a person who would pay down one third of the purchase money, a liberal credit would be given for the balance. If a sale should not be made before the 1st day of September next, then the farm will be to rent. Persons who would wish to view the above mentioned property, are requested to call on the Rev. Samuel Keene, Jun. or Mr. Woolman Warner, residing on the Marsh, who will shew the property, and are authorized to contract for the same, or if convenient, application may be made to the subscriber in the city of Baltimore.

March 22. JAMES CHESTON.

Notice.

THE subscriber hath obtained from the orphans court of Talbot county, letters of administration de bonis non with the will annexed, on the personal estate of *Samuel Sharp*, deceased, request all those having claims to exhibit the same; and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment.

SOLOMON DICKINSON,
Administrator de bonis non.

Talbot County, August 2, 1803. 6

Land for Sale.

THE subscribers offers for sale about two hundred acres of Land, situate in Queen Anns county, in a neck known by the name of *Johny Cake Neck* or *Ogletown*. The above land is directly on Chester river, about five or six miles below Chestertown; and is an excellent place for fishing, oystering and fowling. Any person desirous of purchasing may know the terms by applying to

CHARLES EMORY, or
WILLIAM S. BISHOP.

Easton, July 12, 1803. tf

N. B. The soil of the above land is good for wheat, corn, tobacco, flax, or oats.

General Post-Office, Washington City, July 22, 1803.

WHEREAS sundry representations have been made to this office of losses sustained in the transmission of money by the mail, whereby it appears that depredations may have been committed by some agent of this department. Be it therefore known that by virtue of the powers by law in me vested, I do hereby offer a reward of FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS to any person or persons who will give to this office such information as shall produce the conviction and punishment of the perpetrator of any such crime.

GIDEON GRANGER,
Post master general.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of Talbot County, letters of administration on the Personal Estate of John Blades, late of Talbot county, dec'd. all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby warned to exhibit them legally authenticated to the subscriber on or before the 10th day of June next ensuing, otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate; and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment.

ELIZABETH BLADES, *adm'x.*

August 16, 1803 6

WAS committed to the goal of Baltimore county as a runaway servant, on the sixth instant, *John Philip Worm*, a German, about 23 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, light complexion, red hair, grey eyes, has on a blue cloth coat and pantaloons, striped cotton jacket with sleeves, and an old wool hat; he is a baker by trade, and says he belongs to Messrs. Blair & Valkman, living in Lombard-street, Philadelphia. If his master or masters do not release him, he will be sold for his goal fees according to law.

JAMES WILSON, Sheriff.

June 21, 1803. tf

WAS committed to the goal of Baltimore county as a runaway, on the eighth instant, a negro man, who calls himself *Edward Jackson*; he is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches high, stout and well made, has lost the greater part of his left ear, has a scar on his breast, and one on each hand over his thumbs, has on a white kersey jucket, blue cloth trousers, and oznaburg shirt—he says he is free and came last from New Orleans. If he is not released, he will be sold for his goal fees according to law.

JAMES WILSON, Sheriff.

June 21, 1803. tf

Magistrates and other Blanks,

FOR SALE
At the STAR OFFICE, EASTON.
Also Writing Paper, for sale.