VARIETY.

ODE

On the Death of a promising Child.

No more ye distant happy prospects rise,
Nor pleasing scenes, salute the mental eyes,
With joy no more, we view the lovely child,
Smiling, Desportive, Innocent and mild,
The pearly Tribute flow'd from every eye
And groans to sighs, and signs to groans reply,
What pungent sorrow, tortor'd every breast
That with the social feelings, were possest,
When death despotic sent his fatal dart
And stopt the crimson rill and beating heart,
Of a fair innocent—so blooming flowers,
May bud and flourish with reviving showers,
Till the bleak wind with furious storms resound
It fal's, it fades, it withers on the ground,
Or like a verdant willow, young and green
Uptorn by boisterous Winds or hurricane,
So when the sun with pleasure we survey
With morning splendor dart his early ray,
The Extensive Concave of the Air behold,
Clouds tip't with silver shining bright as Gold,
While from the North ascends a sable Cloud
And lightings flash, and thunders roar aloud
Our pleasing prospects Changed to darksome gloom
Its lifes gay scenes lead to the lonesome Tomb.

From the Columbian Centinel.

Eliza's request to the Faries,

By a Young Lady.

YE little sprites who at the stream,
Gambol in Cynthia's lucid beam,
Be kind, a moment lend an ear,
And listen to Eliza's prayer,

Gather, I pray, from yonder field,
Those new-blown flow'rs which fragrance yield;
And from these blossoms nectar sip,
And bear it to Leander's lip.

Go gather from the choicest bow'rs,
A wreath, composed of sweetest flow'rs;
Perfume it with the honey-dew,
And bear it to Leander's brow,

And when the wreath thou dost present,
Tell him, that I the present sent;
But, if thou findest him asleep,
The wreath and nectar from him keep,

And from his lips new sweets distill.
With this thy acorn-goblet fill;
Then take the scented flow'ry wreath,
And new perfume it with his breath.

Then take thy pencil—with it trace
The beaties of his limbs and face.
On a broad leaf from some fair tree,
And bring them quickly all to me.

ELIZA.

From the Farmer's Chronicle.

THE POST.

"I will settle with you next week."

THE Post has dealings with almost every body, and consequently, knows the disposition, if not the circumstances of a great many people. At the close of a quarter, the Post calls for pay. About one sixth part are ready to settle and begin anew—These people I notice have things in *order*, their work before them, and drive it, and are never troubled with the *care* of a promise *to settle next week*. But the remainder think *next week will do*.

The next tour round, I find about one third have got ready to settle. This part I notice are busy, just keep up with their work, can never determine on any thing without a little time to think of it, but generally think about right in the end, and accordingly, settle agreeably to last week's promise. Some of the remaining part are not to be seen, and the rest tell a lengthy list of disappointments, and renew the old promise to settle next week.

After this, if I improve every opportunity to dun delinquents, I obtain pay of one third part more, by the time another quarter closes; the rest put off from week to week.. until a year is compleated, about half the remainder pay me then, and if they don't stop the papers because they are dunn'd too much, I call them good customers. The remainder, ever willing to believe that next will be the present week, put off from year to year until it amounts to so large a sum they are sure to stop when made willing to pay. I notice some of this last class, are noted about their business always in such a hurry, they do every thing just so as 'twill do for the present, put off every thing 'till next week, in short live in hopes of something, and enjoy nothing.

There are nine hundred and ninety-nine ways to spend money, and but one to get it—Industry, economy, ingenuity, honesty, resolution, and carefulness, are necessary for him who is determined to get property the right way—the use of which must not be put off 'till next week

Proposals,

For Publishing by Subscription

The MISCELLANEOUS POEMS, Theatrical Pieces, &c. &c. written by *Christopher Charles M'Grath*, Comedian.

CONDITIONS.

1. The work to be comprised in one Volume, duodecimo; and printed with a neat Type, by Mr. Thomas Thornton, Dumfries.
2. The price to Subscribers, ONE DOLLAR; half to be paid at the time of subscribing, and the remainder on delivery of the Book.
3. The Subscribers Names to be Alphabetically inserted.
4. The Publication to take place the First day of October, ensuing.

Subscriptions received by the Author; at the Printing-Offices, Dumfries, and Alexandria, and by Messrs. M'Donnell and Kempe, Fredericksburg;—at New-York, Baltimore, and Philadelphia.

☞ Any description, or comment on the above design, would, to many frequenters of the Virginia and Maryland Theatres, be altogether superfluous.

The Author has, *professionally*, brought forward several of his Pieces in both States; and, to the approbation with which they were occasionally honoured, he must now appeal for the [illegible] of a publication.

Thursday, April 14, 1796.

A Barr keeper

wanted.

I wish to employ a young Man to act as a Barr Keeper; one that can come well recommended, will meet with generous wages on application to

ESME SMOCK.

Dumfries 2nd april 1796.

LOST

A BANK-NOTE OF

50 Dollars;

Much worn; whoever has found the same, and will leave it with the Printer, shall receive

20 Dollars

REWARD.

Express.

THE Subscriber begs leave to inform the Public, that on the shortest Notice, and reasonable terms, he can furnish an EXPRESS RIDER, to any part of the Country; for whose diligence and integrity he will hold himself bound. SAMUEL DAVIS.

Dumfries, April 14, 1796.

HENRY FARNSWORTH

Sadler, Cap, & Harness Maker,

TAKES this method of informing his Friends, and the Public in general that he has removed his Shop from Dumfries to Mr. William Gunyon's near Elk-run Church, where he carries on the business in all its various branches,

N. B. It will be to the benefit of the inhabitants hereabout to employ him, as he is the better enabled to do work now than when in town.

Elk-run, Church. March 30, 1796.

NOTICE.

For the employment of HANDS.

The President and Board of Directors of the Potomack company;

Having authorised me to engage a number of Hands, wanted for their works. I give this public notice, to any persons who are inclined to enter on their works

That they shall have

Liberal Wages, Sound Rations Good Quarters,

And every condition of agreement punctually fulfilled. Preference will be given to Quarry Labourers, and men accustomed to blasting stone.

Such persons as are disposed to hire out their servants, by quarter, half year, or year, will meet with generous encouragement by application to me at the City of Washington.

CHS. MYERS.

Engineer to the Potomac Company

City of Washington, January 12th 1796.

Wanted at the Capitol and President's House,

120 Good Labourers,

To be hired by the year, 60 dollars per annum, and accommodation will be given the master finding them cloaths. If sick they will be attended by a Physician at the public expense. No deduction for time on account of sickness, but the labourers must not be withdrawn from Public employment earlier than the 20th December next. Wages to be paid Quarterly.

Elisha O'Williams,

of the Commissioners of the city.

For Sale,

A FONT OF

Dutch Type

at this Office;

For sale,

A TRACT of LAND in Prince William, adjoining the Estate of the late General Nelson, containing 467 1-2 acres, about 300 of which are cleared, and of a good soil for farming. This land is situated in one of the most genteel, and agreeable neighbourhoods in any country place in Virginia, and is 35 miles distant from the city of Washington, the towns of Alexandria and George-Town, and 25 from Dumfries. It is needless to say more of the qualities or conveniences of the land, as I would wish those inclined to purchase to view it, for which they will have an opportunity by applying to Captain William Cundiff, of whom they may also be informed the terms, which are extremely easy to the purchaser. If the land is not sold by the 20th of August, it will be rented by Captain Cundiff.

William Wiatt.

A List of Letters remaining in the Post-Office, Dumfries, Virginia; which if not taken out before the 1st July next, will be returned to the General Post-Office as dead Letters.

George Aswell
Arils Buckner, 2.
Ralph Drury, George Dixon,
Doctor W'm Graham, near the Red house, John Gray.
W. Hamilton, Matthew Harrison, ser. Christopher Hopwood.
John Keith, Richard King, near the Red-house.
Dr. Arthur Matthews, Aquia. Alex. Montgomery, Elk-run.
Thomas Porter, care of Mr. Smock, Thomas Patterson.
Wiley Roy, junior, Fauquier, Mrs. Frances Reno.
Mrs. Ann Seldon, Stafford, The Sheriff of Prince-William, Dr. T. Thornton.

TIMOTHY BRUNDIGE, P. M.

Dumfries, 24 April, 1796. 3w

Notice,

I hereby forwarn all persons from employing

Wm. Green,

or giving him credit on my account as he has left me under age.

Thomas Green.

May 4, 1796.

To be Rented

THE

House,

AND

Plantation,

whereon Mr. Guionet now lives either for one year or a term, together with a valuable marsh. If required there may be a division in the Plantation, the advantages of such a situation is deemed unnecessary to describe as the renter may view the Premises and know the terms by applying to Mr. James Guionet, Mr. Thomas Thornton in Dumfries or the subscriber.

Charles Ewell

Guardian to Carr & C. T. Chapman.

Millford. April 6, '96.

Wanted an

Apprentice,

to the Printing-Business

REPUBLICAN JOURNAL; And Dumfries Weekly Advertiser.

PUBLISHED by THOMAS THORNTON.

15. per Ann.] THURSDAY, June 9, 1796. [No. 2 of Vol. II.

Just Received

By the subscriber a large supply of

Fresh Goods,

suited to the season which he will sell at the most reduced prices for ready cash or produce only. He returns his thanks to his friends for their incoragement since he commenced business in this place but is sorry to inform them that it is wholly out of his power to continue in the line of credit any longer, and support his own, But hopes to merit a continuance of their favours in the ready pay line, which I trust as it will find their interest as it will enable me to sell them goods on much lower terms than they have hitherto been accustomed with.

FRS. BOYLE.

Elk-Run, May 20, 1796.

Notice.

The subscriber gives this public notice to all persons indebted to Thomas Oliver deceased; that having made every necessary arrangement for settling his affairs She requests in the most earnest manner all indebted to come forward and pay their respective ballances to enable her to close the accounts. Those who have any claims against the deceased will please send in their accounts properly authenticated that speedy methods may be taken for their discharge.

She begs leave to inform her friends and the public in general that the business will be carried on as formerly both in the

Wet & Dry Good

line; she hopes that from the low price of the articles for sale and her attention to please the favours of a generous public well bemerited.

RACHEL OLIVER,
Administratrix, of
THOS. OLIVER, Dec'd.

May 25, '96. 3w

Horses, wanted.

IT is the wish of Thomas Watts, Esq. to purchase a number of

horses,

not under four feet ten inches high. Cash will be given.—apply to

W. Glassell.

Fred'sburg April 8th '96.

The Noted Horse

Mahomet.

Now in high perfection, will stand the ensuing season at Salisbury, in Loudoun County, every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, from the first Monday in April, untill the second Monday in July next, and every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at my mill in Prince William from the date hereof until the first of August next, to cover mares at the moderate price of eight dollars easy payable the first day of next October, but if six Dollars is paid in thirty days after the first cover to Mr. Peter Jett, Jun at Centerville, or Mr. Samuel Love, at Buckland, it will be received in full for the season of a Mare. Those who may incline to put by the leap, must pay three dollars and an half for each, on the day of covering, or the mare will be considered as going by the season.

MAHOMET will frequently be at Centervile on the afternoon of the days he is to stand at Salisbury Pasturage gratis, at my Mill, for Mares from a distance, but I will not be answerable for accidents or escapes.

John Love.

Buckland, March 28, 1796.

LANDS For SALE.

in the State of KENTUCKY.

ONE pre-emtion of 1000 acres on Ohio river, about twenty miles below the mouth of Limestone; on Locust creek five hundred acres about the mouth and five hundred below the said creeks, this creek is thirty yards wide and fifteen feet water at the mouth, and six feet water for nearr a mile up it.

Another tract of two thousand acres, an old military claim, near Col. Owens's forge—also a tract of Land of four hundred acres on big Sandy-Creek, survey'd by Col. Morgan, in the year 1795.

One other tract of land, containing one thousand acres, Monongahela County, Virginia, which lands I purchased of Mr. Hedgeman Triplett, on Peters creek a branch of the Big Kenhawa about 30 miles from the mouth of the said Kenhaway.

JOHN HEDGES.

Dumfries, Virginia, March 16, '96

BLANKS

For sale.

Miscellany.

For the Republican Journal.

May 31st. 1796.

Mr. Printer,

The vicious conduct of the Negroes and small dealers in and near Dumfries, calls loudly for reform. I have therefore to request the publication of the following extracts. A late Burglary and the attendant circumstances will certainly rouse to exertion every civil officer and Master of a family.

I. M.

Revised Laws, Chapter CIII

An act to reduce into one, the several acts concerning Slaves &c. &c. &c.

(Passed Dec. 17, 1796.)

(Concluded.)

Sec. XXVI. If any person shall permit or suffer his or her Slave to go at large, or hire him or herself out, it is lawful for any person to apprehend and carry every such slave before a justice of the peace in the county or Corporation where apprehended, and if it shall appear to the justice that such slave comes within the purview of this act, he shall order him or her to the jail of the County or Corporation, there to be safely kept until the next Court, when, if it shall appear to the Court that the slave so ordered to jail hath been permitted or suffered to hire him or herself out, contrary to the meaning of this act; it shall be lawful for the Court, and they are hereby requested, to order the sheriff or other officer of the county or Corporation, to sell and dispose of every such slave for ready money, at the next court held for the said County or Corporation, notice being given by the Sheriff or other officer at the court-house door, at least twenty days before the said sale.

Sec. XXVII. Twenty five per centum upon the amount of the sale of every slave so going at large or hiring out himself or herself, shall be applied by the court ordering such sale towards lessening the county levey, and the residue shall be paid by the Sheriff or other officer, after deducting five per centum for his trouble, and the jailer's fees to the owner of such slave.

Militia Law, passed Dec. 4, '95

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Sec. XXXIX. And be it further enacted, that the commanding officer of every battalion of militia, shall from time to time, as he shall deem it necessary, appoint an officer, or non-commissioned officer (as the case may be) and so many men of the militia as to him shall seem necessary, once in every month (or oftener if thereto required by such officer) to patrole and visit all negroe quarters and other places, suspected of entertaining unlawful assemblies of slaves, servants and other disorderly persons, as aforesaid, unlawfully assembled, or any others strolling from one plantation to another, without a pass, from his or her master, mistress, or overseer, and take them before the next justice of the peace who if he shall see cause, is hereby required to order every such slave, servant, stroller, or other disorderly person as aforesaid, to receive any number of lashes not exceeding twenty, on his or her bare back; and in case one company of patrols shall not be sufficient, more companies may in like manner be ordered for the same service. And after every patrole, the officer of every party shall once in every month at least, return a report in writing upon oath, to the Court of the County in which he shall reside, and if the said court shall judge the said patrolers to have performed their duty according to law, they are thereupon impowered to levy 75 cents for every twelve hours each of them shall so patrole; And every officer failing to appoint patrolers according to the directions of this act, shall forfeit and pay twenty Dolls. for every such failure; And every serjeant failing to notify the number of privates ordered by such officer or to attend such patrole, shall forfeit and pay for every such failure three dollars. And every patrole failing to attend such patrole and do his duty, shall forfeit and pay one Dollar. Which fines shall be laid, collected, accounted for and appropriated as is herein [illegible] laying, accounting for and appropriating the several fines and penalties by this act directed.

Foreign Intelligence.

LONDON, April 10.

A cabinet meeting was held at the Secretary of State's office on Saturday. It sat from 2 to 4 o'clock. The business supposed to be the present mercantile embarrassments—The result was sent to the king at Windsor, and yesterday the messenger returned with letters, &c. from his Majesty to Mr. Pitt, and other cabinet ministers.

An arrival at Dover, in ten days from Cadiz, informs that the crews of the ships of Richery's squadron in that harbour, had mutinied to a most alarming degree. It is said to be in consequence of the share of the prize-money, arising from our Streights fleet, being withheld.—It is added that Richery was assassinated.

The London editor adds, "Such are the contents of the Letters. We have heard so many false reports about Richery's squadron, that we shall be slow to believe the present intelligence."

April 11.

Late last night we received the following very important papers, which were yesterday communicated by Lord Grenville to all the Foreign Ministers residents at this Court. They are the contents of the dispatch received on Friday last from Mr. Wickham, his Majesty's Envoy to the Swiss Canton; and appears to be the result of the measures Mr. Pitt some weeks since announced to be in train for ascertaining the real disposition of the French Directory on the question of peace or war. It will also be recollected that we mentioned about a week since, that we had reason to believe Mr