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| Arrive— | | | |
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| Leave— | | | |
| Harrisonburg | 7.45 " | 12.15 p. m. | |
| New Market | 9.47 " | 1.07 " | |
| Mt. Jackson | 10.25 " | 1.20 " | |
| Arrive— | | | |
| Woodstock | — | 2.05 " | |
| Leave— | | | |
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| Winchester | 3.00 " | 4.11 " | |
| Arrive— | | | |
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| Baltimore | | 9.30 " | |

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| Leave— | Mail. | Accom. | Accom. |
|---|---|---|---|
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| Washington | 8.35 | | |
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| Winchester | 12.16 p. m. | 10.45 " | |
| Strasburg | 1.00 " | 12.18 p. m. | |
| Woodstock | 2.05 " | 2.15 " | |
| Mt. Jackson | 2.38 " | 3.18 " | |
| New Market | 2.57 " | 3.54 " | |
| Harrisonburg | 3.44 " | 6.10 " | 10.30 a. m. |
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IN A LONELY HOUR.

If I could hold your hands to-night
Just for a little while, and know
That only I, of all the world,
Possessed them so.

A slender shape in that old chair,
If I could see you here to-night,
Between me and the twilight pale—
So light and frail.

Your cool white dress, its foldings lost
In one broad sweep of shadow gray;
Your weary head just dropped aside,
The sweet old way.

Bowed like a flower-cup dashed with rain
The darkness crossing half your face,
And just the glimmer of a smile
For one to trace.

If I could see your eyes that reach
Far out into the farthest sky,
Where past the trail of dying suns,
The old years lie;

Or touch our silent lips to-night,
And steal the sadness from their smile,
And find the last kiss they have kept
This weary while!

If it could be—oh, all in vain
The restless trouble of my soul
Sets, as the great tides of the moon,
Toward your control.

In vain the longing of the lips,
The eye's desire, and btooless pain;
The hunger of the heart—O love,
Is it in vain?

For the SPECTATOR.

MY OWN GRAVE IN A VISION.

The birds were on the leafy trees,
The flowers looking gay,
When, to the silent churchyard, I
Wended my lonely way.
I stood beside the grassy mound
That held my sleeping clay,
Not e'en a sigh escaped my lips
That I had passed away.

Ah, no! I felt that I was free
From every earthly pain,
And that I never would be call'd
To suffer here again.
A white rose grew above my head,
And at my feet a pine;
And these are just what I would have
Adorn the grave that's mine.

A bright bird sang her matin song
Upon the little tree,
That had been planted at my feet
To guard my memory;
And here her little nest was built,
Her fledgelings taught to fly,—
Fit type of spirits that are freed,
And soar to worlds on high.

This bird was wounded while abroad
By some unfeeling knave,
But came upon a weary wing
Back to my lonely grave.
And while the blood was oozing from
The death-wound in her breast,
The little birds continued still
To sing within her nest.

She fluttered through the darkened bough
And fell upon my feet,
But with her latest breath she sang
A song both low and sweet;
Then dead beneath the little pine
The mother bird did lie,
No more with her delightful songs
To cheer the passer-by.

But, oh! a lesson she had taught,
Beneath that verdant tree,
That through the changing scenes of life
My *Polar star* would be.
I thought if little birds could sing
While dying and in pain,
Why could *we* not be happy here
Amid earth's dark refrain.

The sun withdrew behind the clouds,
It then in torrents rained,
But I found shelter 'neath a tree
And there I long remained.
I saw a form approach my grave,
The stately steps I knew,
And felt that to my mould'ring dust
*One heart*, at least, was true.

But, oh, the figure was so changed,
The look was so forlorn,
That I could scarcely realize
The changes time had worn;
And then amid the rain and storm
In silence he did stand,
As if his thoughts were wandering to
The far-off Spirit Land.

The rain and storm are over now,
The sun is shining bright,
The figure in the vision seen,
Has vanished from my sight;
That vision strange of mine, was fraught
With many a placid joy,
And I "drank deep" of crystal streams,
That e'en would years employ.

But now my bosom heaves a sigh,
The "debt" has not been paid,
And through streams of sorrow here
I still am left to wade.
But, oh! *some* days *must* gloomy be
With no bright birds to sing.—
When we reach our Father's house
We'll find perpetual Spring.

U. W. V.

For the SPECTATOR.

## The Stuart Papers—No. 6.

LETTERS ADDRESSED TO THE LATE JUDGE ARCHIBALD STUART, OF STAUNTON.

Mr. Jefferson writes a long letter about public affairs, and winds up on the subject of nails:—

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13, '99.

*Dear Sir*:—I avoid writing to my friends because the fidelity of the post-office is very much doubted. I will give you briefly a statement of what we have done and are doing. The following is a view of our finances in round numbers. The import brings in the last year 7½ millions of dollars, the Excise, carriages, auctions and licenses ½ million, the residuary small articles ½ of a million. It is expected that the stamp act may pay the expense of the direct tax, so that the two may be counted at 2 millions, making in the whole 10½ millions. Our expenses are for the civil list ¾ of a million, foreign intercourse ½ million, (this includes Indian and Algerine expenses, the Spanish and British treaties,) interest of the public debt 4 millions, the existing navy 2½ millions, the existing army (5,000 men,) 1½ millions, making 9½ millions, so that we have a surplus of near a million. But the additional army (9000) now raising will add 2½ millions annually; the additional navy proposed 3 millions, and the interest of the new loans ½ a million, making 6 millions more, so that as soon as the army and navy shall be ready our whole expenses will be 15 millions; consequently there will be 5 millions annually more to be raised by taxes. Our present taxes of 10 m. are 2 dollars a head on our present population, and the future 5 m. will make it 3 D.—our whole exports (native) this year are 28 m., so that our taxes are now ⅛ and will soon be ⅕ of our whole exports, and when you add the expenses of the State governments we shall be found to have got to the plenum of taxation in 10 short years of peace. Great Britain after centuries of wars and revolutions, had at the commencement of the present war taxed only to the amount of ⅔ of her exports. We have opened a loan for 5 m. at 8 per cent. interest, and another is proposed of 2 m. These are to build 6.74 and 6.18, in part of the additional navy, for which a bill passed the House of Representatives 2 days ago by 54 against 42. Besides the existing army of 5000, and additional army of 9000, an *eventual* army of 30,000 is proposed to be raised by the president in case of invasion by any European power, or danger of invasion *in his opinion*, and the *volunteer* army, the amount of which we know not, is to be immediately called out and exercised at the public expense. For these purposes a bill has been twice read and committed in the Senate. You have seen by Gerry's communications that France is *sincerely anxious* for reconciliation, willing to give us a *liberal* treaty, and does not wish to break the British treaty, but only to put her on an equal footing. A further proof of her sincerity turned up yesterday. We had taken an armed vessel from her, had refitted and sent her to cruise against them, under the name of the Retaliation, and they recaptured and sent her into Gaudaloupe. The new commissioners arriving there from France, sent Victor Hughes off in irons; said to our captain that they found him bearing a regular commission as an officer of the U. S. with his vessel in their port, and his crew; they would enquire into no fact respecting the vessel preceding their arrival, but that he, his vessel, and crew were free to depart. They arrived here yesterday. The federal papers call her a *cartel*. It is whispered that the Executive mean to return an equal number of the French prisoners, and this may give a color to call her a cartel, but she was liberated freely and without condition. The commissioners further said to the captain that as to differences with the U. S., new commissioners were coming out from France to settle them, and in the meantime they should do us no injury. The President has appointed Rufus King to make a commercial treaty with the Russians in London, and Wm Smith (of S. C.) to go to Constantinople to make one with the Turks. Both appointments are confirmed by the Senate. A little dissatisfaction was expressed by some that we should never have treated with them till the moment when they had formed a coalition with the English against the French. You have seen that the Directory had published an arret declaring they would treat as privates any neutrals they should take in the ships of their enemies. The President communicated this to Congress as soon as he received it. A bill was brought into Senate reciting that arret, and authorizing retaliation. Tho' the President received information almost in the same instant that the Directory had suspended the arret (which fact was privately declared by the Secretary of State to two of the Senate,) and tho' it was known we were passing an act founded on that arret, yet the President has never communicated the suspension. However the Senate, informed indirectly of the fact, still passed the act yesterday, an hour after we had heard of the return of our vessel and crew before-mentioned. It is acknowledged on all hands, and declared by the insurance companies that the British depredations during the last 6 months have greatly exceeded the French. Yet not a word is said about it officially. However, all these things are working on the public mind. They are getting back to the point where they were when the X. Y. Z. story was played off on them. A wonderful and rapid change is taking place in Pennsylvania, Jersey, and N. York. Congress is daily plied with petitions against the alien and sedition laws and standing armies. Several parts of this State are so violent that we fear an insurrection. This will be brought about by some if they can. It is the only thing we have to fear. The appearance of an attack of force against the government would check the present current of the Middle States and rally them round the government; whereas, if suffered to go on, it will press on to a reformation of abuses. The materials now bearing on the public mind will infallibly restore it to its republican soundness in the course of the present summer, if the knowledge of facts can only be disseminated among the people. Under separate covers you will receive some pamphlets written by George Nicholas on the acts of the last session. These I would wish you to distribute, not to sound men who have no occasion for them, but to such as have been misled, are candid and will be open to the conviction of truth, and are of influence among their neighbors. It is the sick who need medicine and not the well. Do not let my name appear in the matter. Perhaps I shall forward you some other things to be distributed in the same way.

Let me now trouble you with a small private matter of my own. Mr. Clarke was tolerably punctual in his remittances as long as he confined in business, but when he quitted, he had near £100 of mine for nails actually sold, in his hands; for so I had a right to consider it, as I charged only ready money prices. and such was the condition settled between us. This money has now been a twelve-month in his hands, and the intermediate applications ineffectual. In truth, I am not able to carry on my manufactory but on ready money sales. I have no money capital to enable me to make great advances and long winded debts. If you could mention the matter to Mr. Clarke in any way that would best suit the footing on which you stand with him, and be the means of my receiving it immediately on my return home (about the 10th March) it would be a very sensible relief to me. And, indeed, if he does not pay it soon, I must use effectual means to obtain it, such delays being incompatible with the course or the necessities of my manufactory.

Present me respectfully to Mrs. Stuart, and accept assurances of the sincere esteem of, dear sir,

Your affectionate friend and ser't,
TH. JEFFERSON.

The conclusion of the following letter is particularly interesting; but allowance must be made for the political excitement and bitter partisan feeling of the time at which it was written. It was the era of the Alien and Sedition Laws and the Virginia Resolutions of '99. Patrick Henry warmly opposed the adoption of the Federal Constitution, because, in his opinion, it destroyed the rights of the States. "Your President," he exclaimed, "may easily become King!" The Constitution was adopted, however, and Mr. Henry, adhering to his original interpretation of the instrument, became a zealous Federalist. Under these circumstances, it was in accordance with human nature for the leader of the rival party to regard Mr. Henry as an apostate from Republicanism, and so to express himself in a private letter to a confidential friend.

MONTICELLO, May 14, '99.

DEAR SIR:—I received by the hands of Mr. Coalter £13 from Mr. Alexander. He is mistaken in suppposing I had received £3 10s 3d on his account from Gamble & Grattan, his letter now enclosed by you being the first and only mention to me that such a payment had been expected. However, this balance is not worth troubling you further with.

I am sorry still to be troublesome with my nailery. Mr. McDowell writes me he cannot continue the sale of my nails. If he would have disposed of those remaining on his hands, it would have been desirable, because they are hardly worth offering alone to another; and a long illness of my foreman occasions our work to go on so poorly that I am able to do little more than supply this part of the country. He had for some time past had symptoms of a dropsy supervening a decline of near a twelve month. He seems now to be getting better. But till he gets well, or till that becoming desperate, I engage another manager, I hardly expect to be able to resume my supplies to Staunton. However, if Mr. McDowell will not consent to sell off what remains on his hands, I must ask the favor of you to engage some other to do it, as well as to dispose of future supplies as soon as I shall be able to furnish them. I am sensible of the difficulty of a person who sells other goods on credit, demanding ready for nails; and therefore have found it necessary here to place them in the hands of grocers, or other dealers for ready money.

The Congressional elections, as far as I have heard them, are extremely to be regretted. I did expect Powell's election, but that Lee should have been elected and Nicholas hard run marks a taint in that part of the State which I had not expected. I have not yet heard the issue of the contest between Trigg and Hancock. Our federal candidates have cut a very poor figure. The State elections have generally gone well. Mr. Henry will have the mortification of encountering such a mass of talents as he has never met before, for, from everything I can learn, we never had an abler nor a sounder Legislature. His apostacy must be unaccountable to those who do not know all the recesses of his heart. The cause of republicanism, triumphing in Europe, can never fail to do so here in the long run. Our citizens may be deceived for a while. I have been deceived; but as long as the presses can be protected, we may trust to them for light. Still more, perhaps, to the tax-gatherer; for it is not worth the while of our anti-republicans to risk themselves on any change of government, but a very *expensive* one. Reduce every department to economy, and there will be no temptation to them to betray their constituents. Affectionate salutations and adieu. TH. JEFFERSON.

Congress met in Washington City for the first time in November, 1800. An election for President and Vice-President occurred the same year, Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr being the candidates of the Republican party for the respective offices, and John Adams the candidate of the Federalists for the first office which he then held. Jefferson and Burr received an equal number of Electoral votes, and as the Constitution then provided that the candidate having the highest number of votes should be President, the election was carried into the House of Representatives. During the month of February, 1801, there were thirty-five ballots in the House before the matter was decided by the election of Jefferson as President and Burr as Vice-President. The Federalists in the House voted for Burr for President, although he was before the people as the Republican candidate for Vice-President. In the midst of the balloting, Mr. Jefferson sent the following dispatch to his friend Judge Stuart, when the vote stood 8 States for Jefferson, 6 for Burr, and 2 divided:—

TH. J. TO A. STUART.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12, 1801, 7 A. M.

The H. of R. has been in conclave ever since 2 o'clock yesterday.

25 ballots have been taken, and were invariably 8, 6, and 2 divided. The intervals of balloting were from half an hour to an hour. I can venture no more by post but my affectionate salutations.

P. S.—1 P. M. The H. of R. suspended the balloting from 7 to 12 this morning, and after trying a few ballots again, with the same effect, suspended it till 11 A. M. to morrow.

The following letter shows the feeling in Virginia while the contest was going on in the House of Representatives. The writer, Philip Norborne Nicholas, afterwards Judge of the Richmond Circuit, was then Attorney-General of Virginia, and had been recently conspicuous as one of the counsel for Callender in his trial before Judge Chase of the U. S. Court, under the Sedition Law. The former part of the letter relates to some law business, of no interest at this day:—

RICHMOND, Feb. 17th, 1801.

*Dear Sir*:—

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The last accounts from the federal city are rather inauspicious as it respects the election of a president. The House of Representatives had balloted 38 times and there was no election. The votes stood, J. 8; B. 6; 2 divided. It is apprehended by many that there will be no election. I still hope that Mr. J. will be elected. It is reduced to a moral certainty that either Mr. J. will be the man or there will be no election. And although I prize the Union highly, yet nothing should induce me were I a member of the House of Representatives to vote for any man but Jefferson. He is the choice of the people, and I would sacrifice anything sooner than that the public will fairly expressed should be counteracted by the disgraceful and low subterfuges of an expiring faction.—I expect the Governor and council will call the Assembly in the event of a non-election I fancy the administration will not hazard a president by law. The States would treat such a one as an usurper and imposter. Give my respects to your lady and believe me.

With affectionate regard, y'r friend,
PHILIP NORBORNE NICHOLAS.

[*To be continued.*]

J. A. W.

## Venus.

Many who admire the beautiful star which now adorns the western sky until more than three hours after the commencement of twilight may not be aware that its splendor is derived from the sun; that in it, like on the earth, night curtains the landscape, morning dawns, and seasons in quick succession come and go Lofty mountains show that forces similar to those which upheaved the Alps and lifted the summits of the Andes above the regions of eternal snow have ridged its surface and covered it with hills and vales. Variable spots prove that clouds float in its atmosphere, and gleams of light, which dart across its sky, afford evidence that in it lightning seams the sky and the thunder's roll reverberates through the valleys.

But three hundred miles less in diameter than the earth and revolving on its axis in nearly the same time, Venus makes thirteen revolutions around the sun while the former makes eight. As the inclination of the planet to the plane of its orbit is at least fifty-four degrees, its torrid zone is double that extent, or one hundred and eight degrees, and its polar circles 54 degrees from the poles. It therefore has two frigid and a torrid, but no temperate zone. Since the sun must arrive at the equator and depart from it to the distance of 54 degrees twice in each of its years, there must be two summers and two winters annually in the torrid zone and a winter and a summer in each of the frigid.

Venus becomes the morning star after its superior conjunction, when