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With friendly hand we hold the glass,
To all, promiscuous as they pass;

Should folly here her likeness view,
We fret not that the MIRROR'S true;

If the fantastic form offend,
We make it not, but would amend.*

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[FOUR DOLLARS A-YEAR.]

WEDNESDAY, 29th FEBRUARY, 1804.

[TWO DOLLARS IN ADVANCE.]

THE subscriber feels grateful for the encouragement he has received in the line of his business, since he established his Stage between Wilmington and Newcastle. While he thus makes this acknowledgment for favors received, he informs his friends and the public, that hereafter the fare of passengers must be paid at the place of starting. The trouble and inconvenience, of opening small accounts, as well as the losses he has sustained, has obliged him to establish the foregoing as a general rule, at which he hopes no reasonable person will be offended.

ISRAEL PUSEY.

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17th Feb.

Extract from the Minutes

Of the Agricultural Association, held agreeably to public notice, at Mrs. Huggins' Tavern, Wilmington, Del. Feb. 8, 1804.

A Number of gentlemen having met, Henry Latimer, was chosen Chairman, and William Young, Secretary.

It was then unanimously agreed, to enter into an Agricultural Association. Dr. James Tilton, Jacob Brown and William Young, were appointed a Committee to prepare a draft of a constitution to be laid before the next meeting.

The secretary was enjoined to continue the invitation, to all persons disposed to unite with and to promote the objects of the Association.

Adjourned, to meet again at Mrs. Huggins' on the 2d Wednesday of March, at 2 o'clock P. M. Published by order of the Association.

WILLIAM YOUNG, Sec.

THE subscribers intending to decline the GROCERY business, offer for sale their present stock of Goods, comprising a general assortment. A considerable part of those goods were purchased for cash and will be sold on the most reasonable terms.

They will also dispose of the lease of the Still-House they at present occupy, together with all the apparatus necessary for the distillation of Rum or Whisky. Apply to

VANDEVER & TEST.

Wilmington, 18th Feb. 410 4

To Let, for one or more years,

A Three Story Brick HOUSE, WELL calculated for a Store, the room being large will answer any kind of business. There are good accommodations for a family, being five rooms and a good kitchen, with a cellar under the whole. The situation is very pleasant and healthy, the stand for business is one of the first in the Borough, being on High street, 4 doors from the Bank of Delaware, and opposite the old upper market house. For further information enquire of

FRANCIS O'DANIEL.

Wilmington, Feb. 18. 449 9

For sale, at Public sale,

ON fifth day (Thursday) the first day of the third month (March) next if not previously sold at private sale, at the Queen of Orange tavern, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the following described houses and lots situated in the Borough of Wilmington, viz:—

No. 1. A red frame house and lot fronting on King street, between Hanover and Queen streets.

No. 2. A vacant lot fronting on King street, adjoining No. 1.

No. 3. A frame house and lot on King street, adjoining No. 2.

No. 4. Two frame houses, and lots on French street, in the same square with the above.

No. 5. A lot with a frame building, suitable for a Chair house.

All the above property is delightfully situated and will be sold together or separate, to suit purchasers, and the terms made easy.

For further information apply to

JAMES BRIAN.

Wilmington, 2d mo. 4th 436 8

TO BE SOLD,

THE Valuable FARM adjoining Christiana Ferry, formerly the property of Capt. P. Jaquet. For terms enquire of the subscriber in the town of Newcastle.

THOMAS MAGENS.

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TO BE SOLD AT PRIVATE SALE,

A Valuable team of Horses, a Waggon, with gears, and all implements suitable for business, by

THOMAS MATEER & SONS.

Milford Paper Mill, } 435 ew 8

January 23. }

For Sale,

A quantity of Peach & Apple BRANDY, ACCOMACK PARTICULAR, A few barrels first quality CHERRY RUM, Jersey cured HAMS, Green COFFEE, West India RUM of different qualities, A quantity of Cayenne PEPPER of superior quality, in large and small bottles, American, Holland & English battle POWDER, a general assortment of SHOT, Powder horns, shot belts & bird bags, with a general supply of GROCERIES, by

THOMAS CRYER.

Wilmington, July 23. 380

This day is Published

And for sale at the Mirror Printing-office and Book Store, BLOOMFIELD'S POEMS, Comprising THE FARMER'S BOY, and RURAL TALES &c. &c. price 69 cents.

Nov. 26,

TAKE NOTICE. All persons having any demands against the estate of WILLIAM WHANN, late of Pencader hundred, deceased, are hereby requested to bring in their accounts properly attested for settlement to the subscribers on or before the first day of May next, and all those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, otherwise legal methods will be taken to recover the same, by

SAMUEL WHANN, } Ex'rs.
JAMES STUART, jun. } 442 4p

Feb. 23.

PLASTER OF PARIS.

ANY quantity of this article, so successfully used as a manure, may be had ready ground to suit farmers, and put up in casks if desired, on application to Samuel Thomas, Cantwells Bridge; Kennard & Cummins, Duckcreek; John & William Torbert, Camden, or the subscribers at Brandywine Mills.

TATNALL & LEA.

2 Mo. 23d.

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NOTICE. All persons indebted to the estate of DAVID WEST, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, and those who have demands against said estate, are desired to produce their accounts legally attested for settlement, to

ANN WEST, Ex'rs.

Who offers for Sale

A Small Tract of Woodland, CONTAINING about 45 Acres, in Appoquinimuk hundred, 3 miles from Duck creek landing, of whom particulars and terms of sale may be known.

Wilmington, 2d Mo. 23.

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JOSHUA PEIRCE & Co. continue the NAILING business at the Factory formerly occupied by DAVID WEST. They manufacture all kinds of Cut Nails and Brads, and have now on hand a quantity of each kind.

AN APPRENTICE

To the Printing Business will be taken if immediate application is made at JAMES WILSON'S Printing-office.



TEMPLE OF APOLLO.

"Hang with the choicest laurels of the Muse
And studded with the brightest gems."

[We have rarely been more delighted, than with the subsequent charming little allegory. In comparing the beauty of the thoughts, with the sweetness of the numbers, it may well be doubted, whether it reflects most credit on the Author or the Translator. It has reached us through the medium of the "Salem Register," a paper particularly happy in the selection of poetry.] *Legis.*

THE NURSING OF LOVE.

A TRANSLATION FROM THE FRENCH—ATTRIBUTED TO MR. FOX.

Quand l'Amour naquit Cythere, &c.

LAP'D on Cythere's golden sands,
When first True-Love was born on earth,
Long was the doubt what fostering hands
Should tend and rear the glorious birth.

Fair Hebe claim'd the sweet employ,
Her cup, her thornless flowers, she said,
Would feed him best with health and joy,
And cradle best his cherub head.

But anxious Venus fear'd
The tricks and changeable mind of youth;
Too mild the seraph's Peace appear'd,
Too stern, too cold, the matron's Truth.

Next Fancy claim'd him for her own,
But Prudence disallow'd her right,
She deem'd her Iris pinions shone,
Too dazzling for his infant sight.

To Hope awhile the charge was given,
And well with her the cherub thrived,
Till Innocence came down from Heaven,
Sole guardian, friend, and nurse of Love!

Pleasure grew mad with envious spite,
When ALL prefer'd to HER she found,
She wou'd full vengeance for the slight,
And soon success her purpose crown'd!

The traitor watch'd a sultry hour,
When pillow'd on her bush-rose bed,
Till Innocence to slumber's power
One moment bow'd her virgin head;

Then pleasure on the thoughtless child
Her toys and sugar poisons prest,
Drunk with new joy, he heav'd, he smil'd,
Reel'd—sunk—and died upon her breast!

Mirth that wrinkled Care derides,
And Laughter holding both his sides.

Judge Burnet. Being once applied to by an old farmer in his neighborhood for his advice in a law suit, he heard his case with great patience, and then asked him, whether he ever put into a lottery?

"No, Sir," says the farmer, "I hope I have too much prudence to run such risks." "Why then take my advice, my good friend, and suffer an inconvenience sooner than go to law, as the chances are more against you there than in any lottery."

VARIETY.

The following Advertisement is copied from the *New-Jersey Journal*:

"To be held, on the 8th of July, 131 Suits in Law, the property of an eminent Attorney, about to retire from Business."

Note. "The Clients are rich and obdurate!"

WAX TREE. We have read an interesting memoir on the Wax Tree of Louisiana, by Charles Louis Cadet, of the college of Pharmacy, at Paris. The following are his observations on the utility of the wax which the tree affords.

The wax, says he, is sufficiently abundant to compensate the care and expense of cultivating it; for a bush in full bearing yields from six to seven pounds of kernels, one fourth of which may be obtained in wax. It is superior in quality to beehive wax.

The sstringent principal of the myrica extracted in the large way, may be very useful in medicine, and in the arts, it may to a certain extent be substituted instead of gall nuts in dyeing, hat making, and probably in certain processes of tanning. The coloring principle appears sufficiently to deserve some attention; and if it be true that some fine cakes have been obtained from it in Louisiana, why may we not expect to find advantages from it in painting.

When this wax shall have become plentiful and cheap in the market, it promises great advantages in the fabrication of soap.

The traveller Thalm, says, that the soap of it waxes linen perfectly white.

Candles made of it afford a white flame, a good light, without smoke, and do not gutter; they emit when quite fresh a balsamic odor, which the inhabitants of Louisiana consider as extremely wholesome for persons in ill health.

Mr. Alexander, Surgeon, says, that the liquor in which the grain has been boiled, and from whence the wax is procured, having been poured out and evaporated to the consistence of an extract, checks the most obstinate dysenteries.

There exists at Orleans and at Ramboillet, two orchards of the wax tree, which contain more than four hundred shrubs.

The Louisiana wax tree, Mr. Cadet observes, is not the same species that grows in Pennsylvania, Carolina and Virginia. It rises higher, and its grains are smaller.

In some places it is as large as a cherry, and its grains of the size of coriander. Its botanical name is *myrica cerifera*, *argusfolia*. That which grows in Pennsylvania, &c. is called *myrica cerifera latifolia*—*Plebeian*.

An account of the extent, population, commerce and military force of the Austrian Monarchy, lately published, presents the following result: the surface of the States of Austria is estimated at 1200 geographical miles, there are 1200 cities, 2000 boroughs, and more than 60,000 villages. The population amounts to 25,800,000 inhabitants. Of that number 6,360,000 are Germans; 12,300,000 belong to the Etschvalonia nations (inhabitants of Bohemia, Poland, &c.) Hungary furnishes 3,340,000; the others are Italians, Valagues, Croats, &c. The army on the peace establishment is composed of 300,000 men. All that constitutes the military force, including women and children, is computed at 800,000 individuals.—250,000 marcs of silver are raised annually from Hungary; from different provinces 60,000 quintals of copper; from Idria, 5000 quintals of quick-silver. The value of metals and other unwrought minerals is 47,000,000 florins, from which,

however, must be deducted the expenses attending these works, which does not amount to two-thirds of that sum. The yearly exportation of merchandize is about 21,000,000 florins, and the importation amounts to 22,500,000.—14,000 vessels of all sizes enter the ports of the House of Austria annually; 1200 of them are national. The journal from which we extract these, particularly add, that the Austrian Monarchy can boast of possessing 900 authors, of whom 720 are Germans.

Inventions, Discoveries, and Improvements.

Professor ZIMMERMAN, of Brunswick, in a late letter to Dr. BARTON, communicates some account of a very curious discovery which has been made by Mr. Lichtenstein, Professor of Divinity at Helmstadt, in Germany. This gentleman has found, "that the *Fungi* and other Cryptogamia are Zoophyta." "I can (says Mr. Zimmerman) attest that I myself have seen these new Polyphi, more than twenty times, moving after sunset and before the rising of the Sun, their *brachia*, exactly like the Hydra of Linnaeus, or the Brachionus. The specimens of his new Air-Polyphi, or rather Terrestrial Polyphi which I saw, all required a simple magnifying glass (not loupe.) It is a most surprising spectacle to behold them adling in the air, exactly like the fresh water Polyphi in the water; and I venture to say, that they catch some small animals, invisible to us, that float in the air, as the other Polyphi hunt after their prey in the water. But you must not undertake the observation except when the dew falls. How far this new discovery will advance us in the Physiology of animals and plants, time must decide. I saw these Polyphi in only three different species of Cryptogamia, not of the great Fungous plants."

* Plants of the Mushroom kind, &c.

† A genus of Polyphus of which there are several species, one of which is the Animal Flower (Hydra Calendula) described by Hughes in his History of Barbadoes.

‡ A genus comprehending a number of small aquatic animals, or "Infusory animals," as they are sometimes named.

FARMER. No. 69.

A NEW WHEAT.

The original Seed, imported by a servant of the late T. WHALEY, Esq. on that Gentleman's Jerusalem expedition, was at first taken notice of by a Mr. Doran, of Francis-street, London, an eminent experimental Farmer and Distiller. That gentleman's account of the various branches of an experiment, as communicated to the numerous crowds of admiring spectators of the sample, &c. produced at the exhibition at the Duke of Leintners, stands critical as follows:—He sowed about two stone and a half of what he calls Jerusalem Wheat, in a space of an Hag-gard, about August last, after a previous crop of Vetches; this feed he had dibbled by two men and four children, the whole expense of labour amounting to no more than 7s. British; in the last reaping season it exhibited stalks of seven feet in length bent considerably at top by the weight—a bunch of ears, on an average from 42 to 45 in number to each stalk, and each ear containing generally from 150 to 190 large round grains of wheat, almost transparent through a film, resembling a skin or husk; its color only approached the lands wheat, so well known in this country. The stalk, formed into reeds filled with a white pulp, from their strength towards the root, were forced to have been cut about two feet from the surface of the soil.—The straw, or rather reed, Mr. Doran got cut with a machine, and served to horses as a substitute for oats, on which they greedily fed, and seemed to thrive on it as well as on their usual food. The general produce of the Wheat, respecting the Seed, was ten barrels wanting six pounds; on grinding the proportion of Bran, respecting the flour, was three pounds of the former, to one barrel of the latter.

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