A VENETIAN LOVE SCENE.

Sweet solemn Venice! o'er thee fade
Eve's latest hues of glory,
While by yon shadowy colonnade
Near Balbi's palace hoary,
A youth, with passion kindled lip,
And Taste's harmonious hand,
Must still devoted vigil keep,
Invoking Beauty bland.

"Appear, my lady-love, appear—
Look from thy latticed bower,
And bless his sight who watches here
The livelong twilight hour.
The stars are out, and why shouldst thou,
My peerless One, delay
To flash upon me from thy brow
A far diviner ray?

"But others gaze upon thee now,
And drink thy glorious smile,
And make thy spirit mindless how
Mine maddens here the while.
Ah, truant, why should their dull praise
My secret hour consume?
Look forth, and with one gracious gaze,
Make gladness of my gloom.

"Lo! jealous eye and ear are far,
And lost the evening flies;
Then loiter not, thou lovely star—
Young moon of beauty rise!
Or is thy faith, like flower spray, broke,
And"—
God! that leaping start!
Keen sudden, home: the poniard's stroke
Has split his very heart!

While on the air his song yet gushes,
Life's stifled fountain stops;
Dead on the rebeck that he crushes,
The young Battista drops.
And ere his murderer's skulking shade
Has left the moonbeam bare,
Damp in the soiling dust are laid
Those curls of chesnut hair.

Forth from her bow'r the maiden wended
At Love's victorious call,
Where broad the marble steps descended
Upon the blue canal;
A sudden brightness with her bringing,
As though from out the main
Its light the vanished day was flinging
Through sunset's gate again.

"By yonder shaft he leans to hide,
The proud impatient boy—
I'll steal upon his song!" she cried,
In girlhood's rosy joy.
And glancing on like cushat fleet,
She gained the sad moonshine;
By Heaven she stumbles! and her feet
Are plashing—not in *wine*.

One look—but come—we'll leave her there,
To madness and the moon;
A sweet lute shivered by Despair,
With every string in tune.
A glorious bud from vernal earth,
Snapt as its bloom was blown—
A grace in beauty's bounding mirth,
Struck instantly to stone.

CARTHAGENIAN RELICS.—The following letter from a French officer serving on board the Jena appears in the Quotidienne:—Tunis, Nov. 18.—"We were in the roadsteads of Tunis, only a few steps from Carthage, and were to remain here for some time. I thought of the ancient splendor of the city, and particularly of its progress in the arts, almost unknown to modern ages. Thanks to the kindness of Admiral Lalande, I was soon provided with the means of excuting a design which I had formed, and lo, I stood upon the ruins of Carthage, or rather on the ground once covered by those ruins. A few undulations in the ground are the only marks by which the stranger is enabled to recognize the spot. Guided by the indications given me by M Falbe, the Danish Consul, as to the sites of the most important buildings I directed my investigations to a mound eastward of Byrsa: the excavation were at first of little interest, but soon became highly so, for I was fortunate enough to discover the floor of a chamber, with a very remarkable mosaic It consists of six pictures, representing hunting scenes. These pictures are surrounded by borders of arabesque consisting of flowers, squirrels, cats, and heads of stags, asses, tigers, lions, &c.—In the first line are seen two men armed with clubs, before whom two others on horseback are running down a stag whose antlers are about to become entangled in some nets At their feet a rocks bathed in blood. Two other men on foot armed with lances are seen in the back ground, one of them is leaning on his lance, the other, after having plunged his weapon into the head of a wild boar, is preparing to despatch him. Another huntsman, in a Greek costume is seen before them, on a very fine horse, preceded by two prancing steeds without harness. The dilapidated condition of some of these pictures make it impossible to trace the design, however, I made out a lion, a man armed with a lance, a horse frightened by a monster, and a hand supporting a globe. The drawing in all of them is beautiful and the colors well combined. Near this piece a second of a semicircular form, has just been discovered. A kneeling male figure forms the principal subject of this mosaic The bleeding head of some animal lies before the man, and around him are orange trees laden with fruit, at the foot of which are concealed hares and other animals I shall not venture to hazard an opinion as to the date of these admirable works—that I will leave to better judges, who will have an opportunity of seeing them in France.—Three earthen lamps, found about one foot above the mosaic may throw some light on the subject. Two of them are ornamented with crosses, the third bears the impression of a man holding some small animal by the hind legs. The English consul, who has been making very extensive excavations on the site of an ancient temple, has discovered nothing of equal interest. It were much to be wished that the French Government would order the continuation of works so happily begun."

AFFECTING ANECDOTE.—An afflicting spectacle of insanity, followed by a melancholy result, was witnessed a few days ago, at the lunatic hospital at Saumer. A lady and gentleman went to visit the establishment accompanied by their child, a little girl of five or six years old. As they passed one of the cells, the wretched inmate, an interesting young woman of twenty five, who had irrecoverably lost her reason, through the desertion of a seducer and the death of her illegitimate offspring, sprang at the little girl, who approached within her reach. In the height of her delirium the poor creature fancied the stranger's child her own long-lost darling, devouring it with kisses, she bore it in triumph to the further end of her cell. Entreaties and menaces having proved equally ineffectual to induce her to restore the child to its terrified mother the director of the establishment was sent for, and at his suggestion the maniac was allowed to retain peaceable possession of the prize, under the impression, that, exhausted with her own frantic violence, she would fall asleep, when the child might be liberated from her grasp without difficulty or the employment of harsh means. This calculation was not erroneous, in a few minutes the poor sufferer's eyes closed in slumber, and one of the keepers, watching the opportunity, snatched the child from her arms and restored it to its mother.—The shriek of delight uttered by the latter, on recovering her treasure awakened the poor maniac, who perceiving the child gone, actually howled with despair, and in a paroxysm of ungovernable phrenzy, fell to the ground—to rise no more. Death had released her from her suffering.—*Galignani's Messenger.*

PHRENOLOGY.—The cast, taken from Oseola, after death, to be seen at Dr. Cohen's will prove quite a treasure to the Phrenologists. The head is very fully developed in the forward and higher regions exhibiting great preponderance of the moral and intellectual, over the animal. The large developement of destructiveness and combativeness is counterbalanced by a large organ of benevolence. The organ of music is defective, and we are not musicians enough to know, whether in connection with this deficiency, his preferring as he did the trombone, to all the other instruments at the theatre, corroborates or opposes the truth of phrenology. He preferred it for its greater noise probably, and we are not sure whether noise is or is not music. Amativeness is not remarkable, philoprogenitiveness large, inhabitiveness large. The outline of the forehead is perpendicular. It is altogether a very remarkable head, and the casts will be eagerly sought by Artists and men of science.—*Charleston Mer.*

MARRIED,

In Washington on Thursday, the 29 h ult., by the Rev Levi R. Reese, Mr. CORNELIUS JACOBS to Miss ANN CHARLOTTE SUTTER, both of this place.

On Thursday evening, the 15th ult, near "The Plains," Fauquier County, by the Rev. Wm F. Broaddus, Mr. THOS H. THOMPSON, to Miss FRANCES ANN only daughter of Willis Sullivan Esq.

On Thursday 29th March, at St. Paul's Church, King George County Va., by the Rev. Charles Goodrich, Dr. ABRAHAM BARNES HOOE, to Miss LUCY FITZHUGH, daughter of George N. Gaines. Esq., all of King George County.

DIED,

On the 21st ultimo, at her residence near Charle-town Mrs MARGARET DIXON, consort of the late John Dixon, Esq, in the 60th year of her age.

In Sumpter county, Alabama, on Tuesday, the 13th ult, aged 30 years, Dr. WILLIAM G. THORNTON, late of Madison county, Virginia. His death was occasioned by an accidental gun-shot, which he survived but a few hours.

SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, D. C.

SAILED, MARCH 30.

Schr Maize, Chase, St. Augustine.
Schr Repeater, Travers, Paulxent.

ARRIVED, MARCH 30.

Schr Ganges, Gratton, 25 days from N. C. experienced bad weather was blown off the coast several times back, received little damage.

NOTICE

IS hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders in the Alexandria Canal Company will be held at the Council Chamber in Alexandria, on Monday, the 7th day of May next, at 11 o'clock, at which time an election will be held for a President and six Directors, to serve the ensuing year By order,

R. JOHNSTON, Jr.
ap 2—td Clerk A. C Co.

NOTICE.

THE Farmers Bank of Alexandria this day declares a Dividend of two and one half per cent. for the last six months, payable to stockholders on their representatives on the 3d instant.

ap 2—3t JOHN HOOFF, Cash.

LIST OF LETTERS

REMAINING in the Post Office, Alexandria, 1st of April 1838. Persons calling for letters in this list, will please say they are advertised.

	A
Mary Allibone	Dr R B Alexander
J T Armstrong 2	Sarah A Anderson
	B
Robert Beale	Lucy Brown
Dr John E Berry	Thos H Boswell
Samuel C Brown	Mary E Brooke
Edgar H Bates	John Bishop
	C
E G Compton	James Compton
Ludwell Compton	Benjamin Cryer
John P Clemens	James Coakley
John Conley	Louis Campbell
John Coldings	Eliz L Carter
Luciada S Carr	
	D
Wm Duffey	Wm Dogins
Joseph Dehaye	T W Devaughn
Wm Daingerfield	Nancey Davis
Jane E Darnell	
	E
W Emmison	James English 2
Phebe F Fugit	Ben Flannigan
Augustine Fitzhugh	
	G
Ann B Grymes	Col W A Gardiner
James L Gibbs	Jane E Gibbs
	H
James M Heard	Joseph Harris
Oscar Hunter	John Hancock 2
Catharine Herbert	Mr Hutchings
Jane Hoskins	John Hart
Ann R Hodgkin	Robert Hodgkin
Andrew Hancock	H Howland
	J
Com Jones	Mr Jones (Purch'r)
Ezekiel Jones	
	K
	G W Keating
	L
Mary Langdon	Barton Linch
Catharine Legg	Owen Leddy
Daniel W Lewis	
	M
B Mason	W Mankin
W Maxy	Melvina Magruder
Ralph Murry	John H Miller
Nancy Mure	John McRoy
Jane Munroe	Nancy Mason
Wm Mills 2	T Mountford
Anna Morris	Joseph McLean
Eleanor Murray	
	O
	A D Leary
	P
John Picken	Rich Popham
Ely Petty	Mildred A Palmer
	R
Joshua Russell	Walter C Reeves
John Reeves	Daniel Rogers
Harriett Robey	John Rudd
	S
Philip Sittler	Ann Savill
Spencer Seal	Thomas Smith
Porter Smith	Wm Sherwood
Wesly Summers	
	T
Margaret Tailor	R W Thornton 2
Lemuel Townsend	Wm Thomas
	V
	Rev E Van Deusen
	W
	George Waugh
	Y
	Arthur H Yeatman 2

John McCarty, of Barrow, Kery County, Ireland, inland postage not paid.

apr 2—3t D BRYAN, P. M.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, Oct. Term, 1838. } SCT.

E. Hipkins, Administrator and others, Comp'ts against James H. Hooe's Administrator and others, Defendants. } In Chancery

ON the motion of the Complainants, it is decreed and ordered that Master Com. Love, do take an account of the lands and tenements whereof the said James H Hooe and Elizabeth T. Hooe in the Bill mentioned died seized, or possessed, or to which they or either of them were, at the time of their deaths, entitled. And that he do further take an account of all debts due and unpaid from the Estates of the said James H. Hooe and Elizabeth T. Hooe, describing the said debts particularly, and stating what security, if any, the creditors respectively hold for the payment thereof. And to that end that he require the creditors of the said James H. Hooe and Elizabeth T. Hooe, by advertisement to be published in the Alexandria Gazette for one month, to exhibit their claims to him with the evidence in support of the same.—And that Daniel F. Dulany, Com., Administrator of the said James H. Hooe and Jas. Foster Com. Adm. of said E. T. Hooe do settle before the same Commissioners the accounts of their respective Administrations. And that said James Foster do moreover settle the account of the Administration of the said Elizabeth T. Hooe on the Estate of said James H. Hooe. A Copy Teste,

F. D. RICHARDSON, Clerk,

COM. OFFICE, FAIRFAX C. H. } MARCH 22, 1838. }

In obedience to the above decree of Court,—the Creditors of James H Hooe and Elizabeth T. Hooe are hereby requested to exhibit their claims to the undersigned at his office on or before the 28th day of April, 1838 together with the evidence in support of the same.

mar 27—t28 T. R. LOVE. M. C.

AUCTION SALES.

Lands in Virginia called "Langley"—At Public Auction.

BY virtue of a deed of trust executed by the late Richard B. Lee, and by Elizabeth his wife, on the 16th June, 1825, the subscriber will offer at public sale, on Saturday, the 21st day of April next ensuing, at the house of Mr Nelson, on the premises, at 11 o'clock a m., that tract of land in Fairfax county, Va called 'Langley"—containing about 540 acres, and bounded as follows, as described in said deed, viz. On the South by the turnpike road, leading from Georgetown to Leesburg; on the West by the lands of Mr Clem. Smith and Gen. Roger Jones; on the North by the river Potomac; and on the East by the lands of Messrs Robert S. Read, Daniel Bussard, and Clem. Smith. Situated about 2½ miles from the little falls of the Potomac, and but a short distance above the chain bridge over the Potomac at the little falls; not more than 4 to 6 miles from Georgetown,

The terms of sale will be, one fifth of the purchase money to be paid in hand, and the balance in equal instalments, in one and two years, the purchaser to give notes satisfactorily endorsed, bearing interest from day of sale; and on full payment of the purchase money, and of all interest and costs thereon, the subscriber will convey all the right and title of the said Richard B. Lee, and of Elizabeth his wife, as given in the aforesaid deed; which deed is now decided, by the Superior Courts of Virginia, to be good and valid, for the purpose of conveying a perfect title. RD. SMITH, *Trustee.*

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BY W. G. HARRISON.

ON Thursday, April 5th, at 11 o'clock, at the Ware-houses, O. Donnell's Wharf, Baltimore, I will offer the cargoes of the brigs Commodore Tucker and Georges, from New Orleans, viz:

500 HHDS. NEW ORLEANS SUGAR, *part prime.*

Baltimore, March 30—3t