APOLLO'S FOUNT.

FOR THE STAR.

ODE TO MAY.

HARK! the birds begin their lay,
Flowrets deck the robe of May,
See the little Lambkins bound,
Playful o'er the clover ground—
Whilst the Heiffers sportive lowe,
Where the yellow cow slip blow.

Now the Nymphs and Swains advance,
O'er the lawn in perfect dance;
Garlands from the hawthorn bough,
Grace the happy Shepherd's brow.
Whilst the Lasses in array,
Wait upon the Queen of May.

Innocence, content and love,
Fills the meadows and the grove;
Health, with sweetness all her own,
Mirth, that never bears a frown;
Labour puts on pleasing smiles,
And pale care forgets her toils.

Ah! the pleasure Shepherds know!
Monarchs cannot such bestow.
Love improves each happy hour,
Grandeur hath not such in pow'r;
Shun ambition—learn from hence,
Happiness is innocence.

EPIGRAM.

Brisk Jennet agreed with soft Lubin to wed,
And shortly the nymph to the altar he led.
Returning and chattering he seem'd indispos'd,
He hung down his head, and his eyelids he clos'd:
'I've been guilty of somewhat I hardly dare name,
Of which, for this some time, I feel totally asham'd:
Hitherto I the matter, with care, have conceal'd,
But sooner or later it must be reveal'd.'
'Good Heavens!' says Jennet, 'what's the secret behind?
You alarm, pray speak, this is very unkind.'
'Oh,' says he, 'I'd a child ere my Jennet I knew,'
'*One* child!' exclaim'd she, 'Lord, sir, *I've had two!*'

SELECTED FOR THE STAR.

AN ALMANAC.

A certain nobleman living at London, and having a considerable number of servants, among them was one in whom he reposed a great deal of confidence. One of his fellow servants being jealous of him, went to make a complaint to his master in order to get him turned out of service; and all he could impeach him for was, that he was a great gamester at cards—At which the nobleman, being highly displeased, (for gamesters were a set of people he mortally hated) took the opportunity to call him to an account, in order to chastise him for the same. Jack, says the nobleman, what's this I hear of you?

J. I can't tell, please your lordship what is it.

N. Why, I am informed you are a great gamester at cards.

J. My Lord, who was it informed you so? it's a false report, I wish I could know who told you.

N. 'Tis no matter for that—are you really a gamester or not?

J. My Lord, I am so far from a gamester I never played a card in my life, nor do I know even what a card means.

N. Well, I am glad of that on your account; however, we shall call in the informer to your face, and know if these reports be true.

J. With all my heart, my Lord, I am very well satisfied.

The informer being called in—Did not you tell me, says the nobleman, that Jack was a great gamester at cards?

Informer. I did, my Lord, indeed.

N. Why then, you villain you, how dare you belie any one to my face? why, Jack utterly denies it.

Informer. I don't care, my Lord; I will prove it to his *face* that he is now one of the greatest gamesters in London, and to convince your lordship of the truth, search him, and you will find a pack of cards in his pocket.

Jack being searched they were hauled out—The Nobleman being in a fury began to rave and stamp in a passion, saying you are an impudent rogue; how dare you be guilty of such a falsehood before my face? Did not you tell me that you never played a card in your life, nor could tell what a card meant? and now I find them in your pocket, you villain—Seeing you are guilty, what reason had you to deny it? Had you confessed your fault, I would be apt to forgive you; but now I will punish you with the utmost severity, not only because you are a gamester, but because you are also a liar.

J. My Lord, your Lordship may use your pleasure, but I hope you will not condemn me for a fault I am not guilty of.

N. You villain, what stronger proof need there be than the cards being found in your pocket? how can you speak for yourself?

J. My Lord, if you call these cards, I do not; neither do I use them as such.

N. Why, what do you call them?

J. Why, my Lord, this is my Almanac.

N. Your Almanac, you dog—did ever any one make an Almanack of a pack of cards? you villain, what sense could any one make of them?

J. My Lord, I am no scholar, and for that reason I use them as an Almanack to rule and govern the year by.

N. Well Jack, if so, let me hear how you manage your cards, and if I find you convert them to a proper use, I will not in the least be angry with you, but will freely forgive you.

J. Why then, my Lord, I consider in the first place, that there are four suits in the cards—that intimates the four quarters of the year; then as there are thirteen cards in every suit, that's just as many as there are weeks in a quarter; there are also as many moons in a year as there are cards in a suit. There are twelve court cards, which intimates the twelve months of the year; there are fifty two cards in the pack, and that directly answers the the exact number of weeks in a year. Examine the cards a little further, and you will find as many spots in them as there are days in a year—there being three hundred and sixty five spots in a pack of cards, which are exactly the number of days in a year—these I multiply by and divide by, which brings me out the exact number of hours and minutes in a year.

N. Very well, Jack, I can't say but you apply your Almanac exceedingly well; but pray do you make no further use of your cards?

J. Yes, my Lord, I do a great deal.

N. Why, prithee Jack, what further use do you make of them?

J. Why, my Lord, sometimes I convert my cards into a Prayer Book.

N. A Prayer-Book, you villain, I am sure if you make an Almanac of your pack of cards, you can never make a Prayer-Book of them.

J. My Lord, I'll make it appear—you know I told you I could neither write nor read, and for that reason these cards answers my purpose as well as the best Prayer-Book in England.

N. Prithee Jack, let me hear it out, I like the beginning very well.

J. Why, my Lord, when I look upon the four suits of cards, they present to me the four principal religions that are predominant in the world, Christianity, Judaism, Mahometism and Paganism—When I look over the twelve court cards, they remind me of the 12 Patriarchs, from whom proceeded the 12 tribes of Israel; the twelve Apostles; also the twelve articles of the Christian faith in which I am bound to believe.—When I look upon the King, it reminds me of my allegiance due to his Majesty. When I look upon the Queen, the same. When I look upon the ten, it puts me in mind of the 10 cities in the plains of Sodom and Gomorrow, that were destroyed with fire and brimstone from Heaven; the ten plagues of Egypt wherewith God afflicted the Egyptians when he brought the children of Israel out of their land; also the ten commandments; the ten tribes of Israel which were cut off for their wickedness. The Nine puts me in mind of the Hierarchys; the nine Muses; the nine noble orders amongst men. The Eight reminds me of the 8 beautitudes; the eight altitudes; the eight persons saved in Noah's Ark, the eight persons mentioned in scripture to be released from death to life. The Seven puts me in mind of the seven administering spirits that stands before the throne of God; the seven seals wherewith the Book of Life is sealed; the seven Angels with the seven phials filled with the indignation of the Lord, wherewith they were to plague the earth, as contained in the Apocalypse of St. John; the seven liberal arts and sciences, given by God for the instruction of man; the seven wonders of the world; the seven planets that rule the seven days of the weeks. The Six puts me mind of the petitions contained in the Lord's Prayer; the six days of the week that I have to work for my bread, and that I am appointed to keep the seventh holy. The Five reminds me of the five senses given by God to man, hearing, seeing, feeling, tasting, smelling. The Four puts me in mind of the four Theological virtues; the four Evangelists; the four last things, death, judgment, heaven, hell. The Three puts me in mind of the Trinity in which are three distinct persons, co-equal and co-eternal; it also puts me in mind of the three days Jonah was in the whale's belly; and the three days our Saviour hung upon the cross, and the three days he lay interred in the bowels of the earth. The Two puts me in mind of the two Testaments, the Old and the New, containing the Law and the Gospel; the two contrary principles struggling in man, virtue and vice. Then my Lord, when I look upon the Ace, it puts me in mind I have but one only God to serve and adore, one faith to believe, one truth to practise, one baptism to cleanse me from original sin, and only one master to serve and obey.

N. Very well, Jack, I can't say but you convert your cards to a good use, but now I perceive there is one particular in the pack you have not yet explained to me.

J. What's that, my Lord?

N. The Jack.

J. That's right, my Lord, I had like to have forgot that—When I look upon the knave, it puts me in mind of your Lordship.

N. What, villain, do you account me a knave to my face?

J. No, my Lord, you misapprehend me—I mean your Lordship's informer.

N. If so, Jack, I freely forgive you—it's pretty well turned.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of Queen Ann's county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Zacharias Roberts*, late of said county deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the first day of November next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Likewise, all those indebted to said estate, are requested to make immediate payment; and those also that purchased goods at the sales of said deceased, are hereby requested to be punctual in their payments, as no indulgence can be given.

JOSEPH ROTHWELL, adm'r

N. B. For the convenience of those concerned, the BOOKS and accounts of the deceased are left in the hands of *William Jacobs*, Esq. near I B, who is fully authorised to receive and adjust any accounts.

J. R.

May 6, 1806. 6

This is to give notice

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Talbot county, in Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of *William Hambleton*, late of Talbot county deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber; and all persons indebted to the said estate, whether by bill, bond, account or otherwise, are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 2d day of May, 1806.

NANCY HAMBLETON, Ex'trx.

By Order of the Orphans' Court of Caroline County.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber of Caroline county hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Caroline County, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Patrick Crain*, late of Caroline county deceased.—All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the first day of December next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. All persons indebted to the above estate, are requested to make immediate payment, otherwise suits must be commenced agreeably to the order of the Court above mentioned. Given under my hand this first day of May, in the year eighteen hundred and six. PHILIP RICHARDSON,

3 *Adm'or. of Patrick Crain, dec'd.*

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber of Worcester county in Maryland, hath obtained from the Orphans' Court of Worcester county in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of Joseph Gray, late of said county deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 15th day of November next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 29th day April, Anno Domini, 1806.

39 SALLY GRAY, Ex'trix.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of Talbot county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Frances Gibson*, late of said county deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 2d day of December next when a dividend will be struck on said estate in the Office of the Register of Wills for the county aforesaid; the creditors may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

All persons indebted to the estate, are requested to make immediate payment; and those who purchased at Vendue on the 13th November last, are informed that their NOTES are now due: and unless speedily paid will be put in suit.

WILLIAM E. SETH, *Ex'or of Frances Gibson, dec'd.*

Talbot county, April 29, 1806. 3

Ths is to give Notice,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphans' court of Talbot county, in Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of DEBORAH DICKINSON, late of Talbot county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the tenth day of June next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. All persons indebted to the said estate, whether by bill, bond, account, or otherwise, are earnestly requested to make full payment of their respective debts to the subscriber, at or before the day aforesaid, otherwise suits will certainly be commenced for the recovery of the same, without further notice. Given under my hand this 26th day of November, 1805.

WILLIAM FRAZIER, Ex'r.

To the voters of Talbot county

HAVING been informed that a report is in circulation that I have declined offering myself as a Candidate for the Sheriff's Office at the ensuing Election, it becomes necessary I should thus publicly inform you that (in case such a report does exist) it is FALSE, and that I am still a Candidate for that office, and most respectfully solicit your suffrage, and should the result of the election point me out as worthy of your choice, the most prompt attention, influenced by the purest motives, shall always accompany my best endeavors to give general satisfaction in the discharge of the important duties of said office.

ROBERT DODSON.

April 29, 1806. 6

Chester-Town Academy.

THE public are respectfully informed, that an *ACADEMY* will be opened on the first day of May, by Miss ARABELLA M. HENDERSON and Mr. SAMUEL DOUGLAS, for the instruction of the youth of both sexes in the following branches of Education, viz.—Spelling, Reading, Writing, Arithmatic, Bookkeeping, English Grammar, Elocution, the practical branches of the Mathematics, Geography and the use of the Globes.

Also, Plain Sewing, Samplers, Filagru, Chinelle, Embroidery, Flowering upon Muslin, Lace and Fancy Work. And in addition to the above, any scholar, who wishes to learn Music, Drawing, or Dancing, will have an opportunity of attending in town, a French gentleman well qualified to give instruction.

☞ *If early application be made, Miss Henderson will accommodate a few young Ladies with BOARD.*

Chester-Town, April 29th, 1806. 6

MARYLAND.

CHANCERY COURT.

February Term, 1806.

ORDERED, That the stated terms for the return of process and the hearing of causes shall be held on the *Fourth Tuesday* in February, the *First Wednesday* in July, the *Fourth Tuesday* in September, and the *First Tuesday* in December.

Ordered further, That the absence of Counsel, or of a party appearing without Counsel, except in cases of sickness or unavoidable accident, shall not be considered as a ground of continuance—and that where two or more Sollicitors appears for any party, the attendance of one shall be considered sufficient to prevent a continuance.

Test. *SAMUEL H. HOWARD*,

6 REG. CHR. CAN.

WILLIAM LOWREY

HAS just opened a large and general assortment of MERCHANDISE in the Store House formerly occupied by Mr. *Hall Harrison*, which he offers for sale on the most moderate terms for CASH only.

N. B. Those indebted to him are requested to make immediate payment, as longer indulgence will not be given.

Easton, April 29, 1806. 3

Notice.

A MEETING of the *Maryland Philanthropic Society* will be held on seventh day, the 23d next month, at the Court House in Easton, at 3 o'clock P. M.—At which time the punctual and general attendance of the members is earnestly requested, as business of importance will then be laid before them.

Signed by order,

JOSEPH BARTLETT, Sec'ry.

4th mo. 22, 1806. 5

Notice.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of *Richard Kinnamont*, late of Talbot county deceased, are desired to make immediate payment to the subscriber; and all those having claims against said estate are desired to bring them in legally authenticated to him for settlement.

JOHN GREGORY, Ex'or of

3 Richard Kinnamont, dec'd.

Notice is hereby given,

THAT a general meeting of the stock holders in the *Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company* will be held at the Town Hall in Wilmington, on second day the second of the sixth month next, for the purpose of electing a President and nine Directors for the ensuing year.

EDWARD GILPIN, *Sec'ry*

Ches. & Del. Canal Company.

29th 4th mo. 1806. 5

Notice.

THE firm of NICHOLSON & ATTWOOD being dissolved by the death of Mr. George Attwood, all persons having claims against said firm are requested to bring them in, and all those indebted are desired to make immediate payment to the subscriber, surviving partner of NICHOLSON & ATTWOOD.

JAMES NICHOLSON.

Centreville, March 4, 1806. tf

Notice.

THE subscriber having obtained from the Orphans' Court of Caroline county, Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of *Levin Wingate*, late of said county deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby warned to exhibit them properly authenticated for settlement, on or before the 25th day of September next, or they may by law be debarred from all benefit arising from said estate; and all those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand this 25th day of April, 1806.

MAGARET WINGATE, *Ex'trix*

3 *of Levin Wingate, dec'd.*

Wanted to Purchase

A NUMBER of SLAVES, male and female, for which cash will be given. Enquire of *John Bullen*.

Fountain Inn, April 29, 1806. 39

Ground Plaster Paris,

FOR SALE,

At the Plaster Mill of the subscribers, at the corner of Franklin and Pacha streets, near the new market, and the road leading to Reisters's-Town,

Also,

PLASTER IN THE STONE,

A constant and regular supply will be kept by KENT & BROWNE.

☞ *The editors of the Easton Star, Maryland Gazette, Annapolis; Republican Advocate, Frederick-town, & by the Hagers-town paper are requested to publish the above once a week, twelve times, and forward their accounts to Messrs. Yundt & Brown.*

March 4, 1806. 12

Thirty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber on Friday, the 31st of March last, Negro HORACE, aged between 20 and 24 years, about five feet eight or ten inches high, of a dark copper colour; stout and well made; a fine set of teeth which stand at a little distance apart; his head is covered with fine black hair; he has been brought up to wait in the house almost altogether, and to go with the Carriage; he is excessively fond of liquor, and never fails to get drunk when an opportunity offers; had on when he went away a round kersey over jacket and trousers died of an olive colour, striped blue and white linsy under jacket, white yarn stockings, a fur hat much worn, his shoes pretty good; he took with him a pair of new dark coloured cloth trousers, a round dimity over jacket, three white cotton shirts ruffled at the bosom, one of them the ruffle is notted in points. It is probable he will change his dress, as he took with him a variety of other clothes; he plays well on the violin, one of which he took with him. It is more than probable he has gone either to Camden, in Delaware, (where he has an uncle living in the neighborhood by the name of Scipio, a black-smith) or to Philadelphia, to his father-in-law, by the name of Abram Register. The above reward will be given if taken out of the state, or twenty dollars in the state, and all reasonable charges paid by

WILLIAM B. SMITH.

Talbot county, near Easton, April 8, 1806 } tf

One hundred Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber, living in Queen Ann's county, state of Maryland, on the night of the 21st of December last, a mulatto girl named SALL, 16 years old, 5 feet 1 or 2 inches high, slender made, sharp mouth, broad teeth, very wide apart before, large white eyes, and has a very impudent look when spoken to;—her clothing unknown, as I am informed she changed part of them before she left the neighbarhood; but she is remarkably fond of dressing fine. Whoever takes up said negro girl, and secures her in any jail so that the owner gets her again, shall receive the above reward, if taken out of the state, and if taken in the state, 50 dollars, and all reasonable charges paid if brought home, by

JOHN MASSEY,

Living near Sadler's Cross Roads.

February 25, 1806 tf

Forty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber on Tuesday morning the 10th instant, Negro LEVIN, who called himself LEVIN BANTHOM, about six feet high, between thirty or five and thirty years of age, very slender made, delicate features, and a fine set of teeth. Had on a white and black striped kersey jacket and trousers, hat nearly new, white yarn stockings, and shoes perfectly new; but took with him a variety of other clothes, among which were a light striped elastic cloth surtuit, purple and green elastic trousers. Probably he may make for Baltimore, where he has a sister living; or Kent, in the neighborhood of Mr. Jeremiah Nicols, where he lived for several years as a hireling. He was formerly the property of Mr. Thomas Hayward of this county, of whom I purchased him. The above reward will be given if taken out of the state, or twenty dollars if taken in the state, and all charges.

HORATIO EDMONDSON.

Talbot county, near Easton, December 17, 1805. } tf

Twenty Dollars Reward,

RANAWAY from the subscriber, living in Dorchester County, Maryland, on Tuesday night the 18th of February last, a Negro Girl called AL, but calls herself ALLY WOOLFORD, after the name of the gentleman who owns her father. She is about 19 years of age, five feet two inches high; a dark mulatto, well made, with very large breasts to her age; has a scar on her breast about two inches long; had on when she went away a dark stripped kersey, but it is expected she will change her dress, as she took other clothes with her. Whoever will take up said girl and deliver her to the subscriber, or secures her in jail, so that he may get her, shall receive, if taken in the county, ten dollars, if out of the county fifteen dollars, and if out of the state, the above reward, with all reasonable expences from

JOHN MITCHELL.

April 15, 1806. tf

Cambridge Races.

WILL be run for at Cambridge, Dorchester county, on Monday the 26th of May next, a SUBSCRIPTION PURSE, it is expected will be about 100 dollars, free for any horse, mare or gelding, carrying weight and confining to the rules of the New-Market Jockey Club, three mile heats repeated. On Tuesday the 27th will be run for as above, a COLTS PURSE, the sum not yet ascertained, two mile heats repeated. And on Wednesday will be run for the entrance money of the two former days, one mile repeated.

JOHN COOK STEWART.

April 22, 1806. 5