

From the Western Telegraph.

[The Scott-Irishman groweth tender— Probably he has fallen in love again.]

VERSES
ON THE
APPROACH OF SPRING,
BY THE
SCOTS IRISHMAN.

NOW frosty winter slips the grip,
And bonie Spring comes fally on,
Like a young widow, jist gat quit
O' her auld, drowfy, feckle drome.

As yet, the maun her black weeds wear,
An' vent her grief in wind an' rain,
But by an' by, in green attire
She'll skip an' dance out o' the plain.

Invited by the faften'd breeze,
Already in the leafless grove,
The birdies whistle on the trees,
An' tell their wee big tails o' love.

The wild wood-pigeons fly in rings;
The meanin' turtle woos his mate,
An' wild-geese pass on founding wings
To stoon the fourth ren Simmer's heat.

But where's the Lark upo' the lawn,
The Sangler o' my native plain?
This is thy laison, Bird o' dawn!
But ah! where is thy matin strain?

Ilk morn, up frae the daisy's side,
Where, cowrin' on the grass, thou lay,
Thou rifest not to charm thy bride,
An' hadst wif' fang the coming day.

Cloft mem'ry broodin' owre her store,
By fancy fir'd, at thy sweet name,
Brings to my mind the days o' yore,
A fady—pleasint, tender train.

I see the dark-brown heathry hills,
I see the haughs wi' grafs ower-spread.
I hear the murm'ring o' the rills,
An' hear thee warblin' owre my head.

The fields now green wi' aiten craps;
The Sea, that roars wi' caesless roar;
The snow-capt mountains far seen traps;
The deep-indentet rocky shore—

O' feces! to mem'ry ever dear,
While recollection's power induces,
Where Care was not, wif' brow severe,
But joy led on life's youthfu' hours.

There still, sweet minstrel! thou dost sing;
There by the daisy hill dost rest;
There woos thy mate with flutt'rin' wing,
An' feels love's raptures in thy breast.

While I, fu' owre th' Atlantic's wave,
A thoughtless multitude among,
Trac mad Democracy to laves,
Pour out my unavailin' sang.

From the New-York Daily Advertiser.

ITALIAN FATHER,
A Comedy of Five Acts.

As the stage has of late produced some pictures of domestic infelicity, which have gone home to the hearts of people in general, and have attracted a more than common degree of public attention, it is presumed that some account of the play of the Italian Father, will be interesting to the greater number of your readers.

The author appears to have formed the benevolent intention of pointing out the evils which flow from the contrary views and passions which arise in the breasts of parents and children on the momentous subject of Matrimony, of teaching how to prevent, or if too late to prevent, how to remedy them.

This play represents, principally in action, the story of a daughter, who being denied the hand of the man of her heart, rashly defers her father's roof and is involved in every species of wretchedness, save that which flows from depravity and habitual vice: and of a father, who, having counteracted his daughter's inclinations, on seeing her fly to the arms of him to whom she was refused, shuts his doors and his heart against her, loads her with his curses, and drives, as far as nature will permit, to banish the remembrance of her tenderness, love and virtue, from his mind. The gentleman who has thus unhappily separated father and daughter, filled with rage against the father, delays to make the daughter legally his wife, until the affair coming to the knowledge of the duke of Milan (whose officer he is) he compels him to marry her, and deprives him of his public employments.

Four years after the last transaction, the drama commences, and presents the daughter as petitioning the son-in-law and heir of the duke, in behalf her husband, formerly his companion, but now in prison for a tavern outrage; he being reduced to the extremities of poverty and wretchedness. A short extract will give an idea of this daughter.

Hippolito (The heir to Milan) you are Michael Brazzo's daughter.

Astrabel. I once did call him father, he was my father, that time is long since past. In speaking this I but recal my shame.

Hip. He lives in the neighborhood.

Astr. Yes, my good Lord. But such foul spots stick upon the once fair front of my good name, that Michael Brazzo now remembers not he had a daughter.

Hip. Yet hath he no more children. What does he for you.

Astr. All he should. When children start from duty, parents may swerve from love. He nothing does, for nothing I desire.

In an accidental interview with the father, Hippolito revives his tenderness by asserting his daughter is dead. An extract will give you a better idea than can be conveyed by any other mode.

"Is she dead! well, well. I am glad the world has lost one of its idols. No drunkard neither will now at midnight beat at her doors. It is well. She will sleep now, and in her grave sleep all my shame and her own, and all my sorrows, and all her sins."

Hippolito, however, soon undeceives him and acquaints him with the real situation of his daughter and her husband, upon which his rage appears kindled anew against them; but upon being left alone, his tenderness returns and he determines to see them in a borrowed thip.

"I will go to her. She shall drink of my health, as beggars do of the stream running

by the high way, nor think of the source whence it flows."

In the second act, Birdo, the husband of the seduced daughter, makes his appearance as just released from prison through the influence of Hippolito. The character of Birdo is strongly marked. The man of high spirit and quick feeling, conscious of the injustice of the world and flying to wine and dice for relief, contrary to his better sense. Soon after his arrival at his own wretched dwelling, comes the father in disguise and offers himself as the discarded sewing man of old Michael Brazzo (himself). This scene between the father, the husband and daughter cannot be analyzed without employing many more words than the scene contains and a knowledge of nature equal to that possessed by the author. A few extracts may serve to keep up the train of ideas necessary in an essay of this kind.

Brazzo. Gentlewoman, the last man I served was your father.

Astrabel. My father? any tongue that speaks his name speaks music to my heart. Welcome old man! Thou good old man! (for such I am sure thou art)—How does my father? Lives he? has he health? how does my father? I so much have shamed him, so much do wound him, that I scarce dare speak the name of father.

The father is delighted with the proofs of his daughter's love and many virtues, but tormented with the thought, that she was equally lovely before her fall from him, and wishing for proofs of her ability to withstand temptation, he defers his acknowledgment of her, and prevails upon Hippolito to tempt her with offers of illicit love and riches—the prosecution of this plot involves all the parties in jealousies and difficulties. The father, convinced of the weakness and infidelity of his daughter, experiences anguish tenfold more poignant than ever, and accuses himself as the cause of all her sorrows and her sins. The husband is tormented with jealousy, and filled with rage against his friend Hippolito. And Hippolito finds himself involved in domestic trouble, through the jealousy of his lady, and in a serious quarrel with Baralda. These difficulties are all cleared up by an expedient flowing from the circumstances of the parties in the most natural manner, and the father halts once more to see and hear his daughter, now cleared from all suspicion, still continuing his disguise. As this is the finest scene in the piece, we shall give a copious extract, and leave the reader to form his own opinion of the merits of the play by the feelings this scene may excite.

Astr. Art thou again restored to his favor? Braz. He soon forgave me. Astr. My father can forgive then? Braz. Yes, by my truth. Astr. Any one but a daughter. Braz. Aye, so I told him. Astr. How? Braz. I made truth's lightnings flash before his face, until he wink'd again. I bared his old heart naked to his view till his eyes wept blood for tears.

She expresses her regret at causing her father pain. Braz. Troth, mistress, it was for his sake as well as yours that I did it—for I cannot but hope that you may yet see many happy hours by his easy chair, and that he may yet lift his old head on your lap. Astr. Blessed picture! Braz. And expire his last sigh on your bosom.

He talks of her father's asking her forgiveness, and she reproves him thus: Astr. Forgive my father! O, heaven knows, I never suffered a thought to harbour here that might have led to murmuring against him. No, through pain, sickness and poverty, my prayers have been to heaven to grant him health, and me once more his blessing.—And during—during the short period that it pleased heaven to permit that I should be a mother, I regretted that my child knew not a grandfire's fondness, but I murmured not. When I have seen old men delighted with the infantine smiles of their children's children, I pictured to myself my babe on the knee of his happy grandfire, and wished such pleasure to my father, and dropped a tear on the child's face, as the picture gave place to reality—yet I murmured not. And when, when yet for want of that aid which the rich can command, the pretty babe died in my arms, I thought of my father—but it was only to bless him!

These extracts (as far as such detached pieces can do it) will give an idea of the powerful manner in which this play interests the feelings. The finest scenes in which Birdo is engaged, we have not noticed. Neither will we undertake to give an account of the comic under-plot which, as in the Stranger, runs through and diversifies the whole.

Remarkable instance of Longevity.
On Monday last departed this life, Mrs. ELIZABETH BOCKENHOVEN, of the last century—one of the oldest inhabitants of this city, of which she was a native. She was born 20th July, 1699, so that she had nearly completed her hundredth year; and was the third of fourteen children of Abraham Van Gelder, of whom now remain none except the youngest (who bears the father's name) is in his 84th year, and enjoys a remarkable share of health. The name of the old lady, acquired by marriage, is now become totally extinct by her death, having long since lost her sons.

Notice.

THE subscribers being appointed by the court of common pleas of the city and county, guardians to the person and estate of JONATHAN BEERE, now confined in a state of lunacy in the Pennsylvania Hospital—All persons holding his effects or indebted to him will pay or return the same immediately; and those having demands will present them duly authenticated, to

Mary Beere,
Thomas Hurby,
no. 16, Carter's Alley.
Philadelphia, April 4

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Andover, dated 23d of March, to his friend in this town.

"A transient perlox, who calls himself by the name of Brown, was sent from this place yesterday, to be committed to the goal in Salem, for seditious practices.

A number of manuscripts were found upon him, judged to be calculated to excite the people to insurrection.

Though Brown is not wanting in under-

standings, there is reason to believe many of the materials were furnished by abler heads than his.

In these manuscripts, the officers of government, the Clergy and Lawyers universally are represented as the enemies of the people; as having consumed a large portion of their property; endeavoring to engross the remainder and to reduce the people to abject slavery.

The bankholders and stockholders are marked for victims of public resentment.

The merchants and people of property partake of the obloquy.

The main object of the writings is to alarm the Farmers, Mechanics and Laborers, with an apprehension, that the preservation of their liberty and property depends on a thorough revolution.

Brown is a man of great fluency and equal effrontery.

The manuscripts abound with calumny, virulence and art. He says they are his own composition; that he has been in nineteen different states and kingdoms in Europe, and in nearly all the United States. He professes to know the sentiments of many of the people in eighty of the towns in this commonwealth; mentions Attleborough, Bridgewater, Concord, Dracut and Methuen, among the towns he has visited; and he says he has had access to the public records in the several states, from which he pretends to have taken many of his documents.

Another traveller, supposed to be employed on a similar errand, I am informed, has repeatedly passed through this town in the course of the past winter, from Boston into the district of Maine.

It is expected that vigorous exertions will be made, by the disaffected to government, to produce an essential change in the executive and legislative departments of this commonwealth, at the approaching elections, as the most eligible measure to accomplish the end proposed. If this should fail, more ferocious measures may be attempted."

TRENTON, APRIL 8.

The revision of the statute law of New Jersey, is nearly completed, after six years labor under the direction of Judge Paterson. The talents and patriotism of this gentleman, have been properly appreciated by the Legislature of New Jersey: he has executed the task with ability and fidelity; but unless the Legislature will complete the good work of reformation, by obtaining amendments of the constitution all that has been done, or can be done, is no more than paper and parchment. This code will neither be permanent nor useful, until a new constitution shall give efficacy to the jurisprudence of the country, by the formation of a judiciary, which, from its independence, ability and virtue, is calculated to secure persons and property against the ignorance, partiality, and proclivities of the present system.

While other states have been new modelling their forms of government, and by separating the legislative from the executive and judicial departments, erecting barriers against tyranny and all the confusions which arise from a consolidation of powers, the state of New Jersey is enduring, until this day a constitution which disgraces her citizens, and exposes life, liberty and property, to the most palpable abuses.

There is not now in New Jersey, one single tribunal entrusted with the decision of legal controversies, which can be said to possess the qualifications of CONSTITUTIONAL independence and impartiality: they all of them are shackled by party, or influenced by dependence; and the measure of justice is not the law of the land, but some other measure, which is better calculated to keep the judge in commission, or promote the objects of his party.

The English judiciary, from its total independence, either on the crown or the parliament, exhibits the noblest features of dignity, impartiality and ability that ever adorned any human institution. The splendor of the monarch, the riches and power of the nobles, the influence and violence of the commons, can never warp the course of justice. In this lies the true equality of British subjects, that great and small, all classes and conditions of men, are assured of having the laws impartially executed. Every man is certain, that justice will be done; and other equality is savage nature, the cheat-word of modern reformers and ambitious knaves.

What is the liberty and equality of France? does it consist in the majesty of her laws, and in the steady and upright execution of them between man and man, according to the professed principles of the constitution? Happy indeed for France and for mankind, were this the fruit of her revolution; but France enjoys equality and it is the only equality, which is really intended by one half of its clamorous advocates, namely the equal rights of slaves. Despotism produces the equality of men, it makes all but the despot equal in misery, in contempt, in poverty, in servitude. Lawful government maintains equality of rights; it leaves to all its citizens the liberty of acquiring unequal fame, property, honors, and advantages, by the just and laudable competitions of personal industry, genius and patriotism; and it secures, by the impartiality of its juridical establishments, to all men, the enjoyment of those blessings, either of property or privilege, which have been thus acquired. Any other liberty or equality than this, is equally opposed to the order of Providence, and the happiness of man.

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LIST
OF OFFICERS OF A REGIMENT
In the Service of the United States,
To be Raised in Pennsylvania.

Thomas L. Moore, Lt. Col. com. Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

1 William Henderson, major, Greentaffe, do.
2 George Stephenson, major, Pittsburg, do.

COMPANIES.
Joseph M'Kinzie, captain, Shippenburg, do.
John Sharp, lieutenant, do.
George Hamell, ensign, do.
James Blaine, captain Carlisle, do.
Saml. B. Magaw, lieutenant, Franklin county, do.
Archibald Davis, ensign, Lancaster do. do.
Andrew Johnson, captain Yorktown do. do.
Nelson Wade, lieutenant, Norristown do.
John A. Douglass, ensign near Yorktown do.
Matthew Henry, captain do.
Henry G. Slough, lieutenant, Lancaster do.
Herman Witmer, ensign do.
Benj. Gibbs, jun. captain Philadelphia do.
Cromwell Perce, lieutenant, Chester county do.
Hugh H. Potts, ensign Philadelphia do.
Wm. R. Adles, captain Norristown do.
Henry Westcott, lieutenant, do.
John S. Porter, ensign do.
Hugh Brady, captain Northumberland do.
James P. Nelson, lieutenant, do.
John Smith, ensign do.
Wm. Graham, captain Bedford, do.
Robert Lawrence, lieutenant, Huntingdon do.
Robert Chambers, ensign do.
David Duncan, captain Carlisle do.
Thomas Sweeringer, lieutenant, do.
Wm. Morrow, ensign Pittsburg do.
James Ashmun, captain do.
Benjamin Wallace, lieutenant, near Harrisburg do.
Thomas Lee, ensign Erie do.

The above named Officers are ordered to assemble in the city of Philadelphia, on Wednesday the 24th inst.

THOMAS L. MOORE,
Lieut. Col. Com.
April 4th, 1799.

Just Published,
And now to be Sold, by
ZACHARIAH POULSON, JUN.
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A work entirely new, original, and highly interesting; embellished with a Portrait of the head of WILLIAM PENN. and a new Map of Pennsylvania, New-Jersey, Maryland, and the State of Delaware, and parts adjacent.

IN this publication are exhibited the remarkable rise, happy progress, and extraordinary prosperity of that province, till near the time of the declared independence of the United States of America; effected by such uncommon and pacific means such singular, just and prudent policy, as appears nowhere in the history of nations, to have generally, and so extensively prevailed, in any other country, to an equal degree of advancement, importance, and felicity of the people, and so generally to have excited the admiration of all observers, as in the flourishing and happy state of the province of Pennsylvania—proper to be known and remembered by all those, who wish to be informed in the extraordinary melioration of this country, and in the means of rendering the inhabitants so happy and prosperous in former times; as well as an egregious example for posterity and furnishing grounds to imitate and improve upon, &c.

Hoc opus, hoc studium, parvi procerum est amplius;
Si patris volumus, si nobis vivere cari! Hor.

In deeds like these, let all themselves approve,
Who seek their proper bliss, and country's love.

Note.—The subscribers for this work are particularly desired to call, or send, for their respective copies, or to direct their friends, in, or near Philadelphia, to receive the same for them, at either of the two places first above mentioned. And all persons, holding subscription papers, are earnestly requested to return the same, as soon as possible, to ZACHARIAH POULSON, JUN. afore-said, April 12

Valuable Property for Sale,
In Chestnut, near Sixth street, directly opposite
CORCORAN'S HALL,
A LOT of ground, about 11 feet front in Chestnut street and 72 feet in depth, whereon is a good frame house, now in the tenure of Samuel Benges, subject to a ground rent of 20s. per annum.

The advantageous situation of this property requires no comments, for it must be known, there are few in this city to equal it, an unexceptionable title will be made to the purchaser. Apply to

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march 5 south street

English wrought Nails,
Imported in the ships Molly and Diana, from
LIVERPOOL,
400 Casks of Nails,
CONSISTING of 6d, 8d, 10d, 12d, and
20d, flat points suitable for the southern
market—6d, 8d, 10d, 12d, and 20d. fine drawn
sharp—also 3, 4, and 6 clouts—sprigs—
tucks—teupper nails—sheathing nails, &c.

FOR SALE BY
Robert Denison, junr.
127 Market-street.

The subscribers have on hand, and for sale at reduced prices, the following articles, viz.

Seventy Pipes London Particular
Madeira Wine,
the vintage of '96, since when they have lain in a store well adapted to their improvement;

25 Casks of Young Hyson Tea;

An Invoice of well-sorted China—original cost between 8 and 900 dollars in Canton.

HIGBEE & MILNOR,
march 21.

FOR SALE,
A smart, active Bay Horse,
BETWEEN fifteen and sixteen hands high, rising
five years, would suit very well for a gentleman in any of the troops of Horse, he is perfectly found, the price is 250 dollars.—For a view please to apply at No. 10, North Eighth street, or at Gibberton's Stable, in 4th between Lombard and Cedar or South-streets.

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Sheathing Copper,
23 Pipes of the finest particular
Madeira Wine
For Sale by
JOSEPH S. LEWIS
No. 25, Dock Street,
march 21. 21aw11

Volunteer Grenadiers,
Philadelphia, April 15, 1799.

This corps is ordered to parade at the Magazine, in Chestnut street, on Thursday next, at 4 o'clock, P. M. in full uniform, with arms and accoutrements.

By command,
D. Murgatroyd, 1st Sergt.
B. A. L.

THE LAST THIS SEASON,
MR. & Mrs. BYRNE respectfully inform the Ladies and gentlemen of Philadelphia, their ball will be on Tuesday, the 16th instant, at O'Leary's Hotel, April 13

Letters for the Troops under the command of GENERAL MACPHERSON, if left at the War-Office, will be forwarded, April 5, 1799.

For Sale,
The SHIP NEPTUNE,
now laying at Walnut street wharf, with her tackle and apparel as she came from sea; her burthen is 233 tons. For terms, apply to
JOSEPH ANTHONY & Co.

The consignees of goods on board the above vessel, are requested to take out their Permits so soon as possible, as the ship will begin discharging to-morrow morning.
April 12. dsf

For Edenton, N. C.
THE SLOOP
L A R K,
FOR Freight, enquire at No. 135, Market-street, April 11

F. KISSELMAN,
Has for sale, at no. 105, South Water street,
Cogniac Brandy, 1st 3d & 4th proof
Jamaica Spirits, 4th proof,
St. Croix
New England } RUM,
Sherry
Lisbon } WINES
Port
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Mollasses
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Coffee
And various kinds of Groceries:
April 11 2aw3w

NANKEENS,
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JUST LANDING,
From on board the ship Woodrop Sims
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James C. Fisher,
No. 13, Arch-street.
April 11 cadstf

This day is published,
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And ready to be delivered to Subscribers and others,
The III. Number of
The Philadelphia Magazine & Review,
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For March 1799. 2aw3c

CAUTION.
WHEREAS my wife, Mary James, has proved
unfaithful to my bed and to my interest,
and behaved in every respect unbecomingly
as a wife—I am thereby and in consequence of the failure of
all my other endeavors to reclaim her, reduced to
the painful necessity of declaring that I will not
hereafter pay any arrears of any debts she may
attempt to contract in my name.
ANDREW JAMES.
April 13 3c

LONDON BOOTS.
RECEIVED by the ship Lexington, a few dozen
of BOO IS, of an excellent quality, which
are now open for sale, by JOHN BEDFORD, No. 79,
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N. B.—A Fisher steady foreman who understands
the business of a Shop, and 12 or 14 good boot and
shoe-makers wanted.
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TO BE SOLD,
For the Benefit of the Underwriters, at Shannon
and Poalk's Auction Room, No. 183, Market
Street, on Friday next at 10 o'clock in the
forenoon,
One case of Madam Le Brun Boileau's
Patent fashionable Hats and Bonnets,
Just received by the British ship Douglas.
April 9. w & c

FOR SALE
By SIMON WALKER,
Pine, near Fifth-street,
WOOLWICH proof Cannon—9 pounders,
6 1-2 feet long, 20 cwt. each, and 7 feet
long, 25 cwt. each, with carriages, &c. completed
ditto—6 pounders, 5 1-2 feet long, 15 cwt. each,
and 6 feet long, 18 cwt. each, with carriages, &c.
complete;
Carriages on sliding carriages, 12, 18 & 24
pounders, weighing 6 1-2, 8 and 13 cwt. each;
20 good Pikes and Cutlasses;
English Cannon Powder;
Copper Sheathing Nails, Spikes and Bolts;
6, 9, 12, 18 and 24 lb. round shot;
6, 9, 18 and 24 lb. double-headed do.
9, 18 and 24 lb. Cammber shot.
Also—a quantity of best English, Porter, Claret
and Port Wine Bottles,
Taunt-a-ale in casks of 7 dozen each.
march 8. 2awtf

CHARLES CAMPBELL,
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by Mr. John Wood, No. 111, corner of
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fully receive and execute orders with neatness
and dispatch.
HE HAS CONSTANTLY ON HAND,
A Neat and Large Assortment of
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A JOURNEYMAN,
Also, one or two Apprentices of respectable
parents.
FOR SALE,
A large quantity of Watch Glasses
Woolyale & Retail.
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