

Julium et tenacem propositi virum, Non civium ardor prava jubentium, Non vultus instantis tyranni, Mente quatuor solida.

THE LAY PREACHER.

"I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of understanding, nor yet favor to men of skill, but time and chance happeneth to all men."

HAD my text been the product of some fallen WOLFEY, or the mournful lamentation of a hungry poet, it might be ascribed to disappointed ambition, or unfattered vanity. But it stands on record, as the deliberate sentiment of a mighty prince, in the full fruition of power, wealth and glory, who is registered as the wisest of the sons of men.

Drery is the picture presented by the royal sage; and its dismal shades are more impressive, as it becomes an object of acute inspection. The man of worth lingers in deathlike obscurity; while the knave and the fool possess the choicest honors of our species. The wife are concealed from notice and applause by the darkening mantle of poverty; while stupidity feasts upon delicacies and rolls in splendid pomp. The "man of understanding" eats the bread of carefulness, and the "man of skill" is a stranger to the "sweet aspect" of favor, while a coronet of glitters on the brows of dullness, and a robe of state conceals a carcase of pollution.

It is a reflection of an unpleasant nature, that, in the course of human affairs, "chance" so frequently bestows the palm of victory. It is discouraging to that merit which looks for the "recompence of reward," that the rugged path of virtue and industry does not infallibly lead to the Temple of Fame. A mortifying prospect is presented to talents and integrity, when the profligate float on an unruffled surface, without a single casualty, to the haven of distinction, and when energy itself "riding on the waves of glory," is given to the "mercy of a rude stream that for ever hides it." Who will strive in the race, or furnish his armor for the combat, while the wreath is destined to grace the sons of indolence and imbecility? What shall rouse the wife to exertion, if wisdom meet no higher recompence, than penury and contempt? Why shall "the pensive sage hang o'er the sickly taper," at the mid night hour, if his counsels prove as fruitless and his labors as unavailing, as to "dash with an oar to hasten the cataract, or wave with a fan to give speed to the winds"?

The Preacher delights not to display the dark side of the human picture. His feelings thrill not in unison with those of infatuated Mandeville. But duty enjoins, that he present the picture in its genuine colors. Impudence may occasionally supply the place and obtain the reward of worth; and craft assume the semblance and reap the recompence of virtue. The intemperance of party may give elevation to vice and bestow the "blushing honors" of the state upon abandoned meanness. Modest merit may be "born to blush unseen and waste its sweetness on the desert air." But yet, though "time and chance" thus sport with honor and reward, valor sometimes finds its superiority in the combat, and the fleet outstrip the tardy in the race of glory. The wife gain a pre-eminence, which is felt and acknowledged by the lavish votaries of wealth and grandeur. Genius works the cloud that envelops it, and commands applause co-extensive with its radiance.

The invitations to virtue and wisdom are strong, though they receive but a paltry honor from a thankless world. They obtain a respect of brighter lustre, than affluence can command; and enjoy a reward far less transitory, than the fleeting favors of a misguided multitude. There is a "dry morsel" to the wife, whose luxury is never known at the sumptuous tables of the great. There are riches to the man of understanding, "more precious than rubies," and "more to be desired than gold, yea, than much fine gold."

Though "folly is set in great dignity," yet, "the words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him that crieth among fools." There is a reverence reserved for virtue upon earth, and it is the exalted reverence which virtue feels for virtue. There is a crown reserved for genius, which "time and chance" can never bestow as the portion of fools. There is a bliss resulting from the sentiments and practice of virtue, which "time and chance" can never produce in the bosom of vice.

The Lay Preacher of Pennsylvania.

SOUTHERN FEDERALISM.

Mr. Jones (the Georgia Federalist) does not know whether he will disband an army of Twelve Thousand Men, or whether he will not; but wants time to think of it. The train of thought in this gentleman's mind, on this subject, must needs be very interesting.

The beautiful smock-faced Boys which are sent us now-a-days by the ancient dominion, remind one of the grotesque figures in Holbein's Dance of Death.

"Old lechers, gamblers old, yet youthful mummings, Blind, bald, and speechless some, and Christless others."

Nichols, the abolisher of standing armies may justly say with Horace, Non omnis moriar: for he appears like a man-half dead already.

The friend of Randall, the Swindler, who got corrupted by going amongst the British, called a Gentleman to order; and by appealing from the Speaker, would have stood recorded for his singular gentility, had he not been outdone by maffer Shadow: "Give me Shadow: he presents no mark to the enemy."

The Russian ambassador, Count de Woronzow, lately on a visit to Mr. Boulton, of the Soho, London, bespoke the Play at the Birmingham Theatre; and was so highly gratified with the plaudits of the audience and the attention of Magready, the Manager, that the latter, we understand, received from his Excellency the most substantial and unusually liberal proof of his approbation. It was the introduction of the following additional lines in "Rule Britannia," that the Count considered to be with too much dignity, represents:

When Britain first, at Heaven's command Arose from out the azure main, This was the Charter, the Charter of the land, And guardian Angels sung this strain: Rule Britannia! Britannia rule the waves! For Britons never shall be slaves. Italia's fair and fertile plains, Most happy restoration see, The brave Sallowarow! Sallowarow breaks their chains! And bids her sons again be free! Rule Britannia, &c. In Europe, two great monarchs join, To humble France, religion's foe! Great George!—the Ocean—the Ocean still is thine, Whilst Paul on land directs the blow. Rule Britannia, &c.

"Let not the left know what the right hand doeth."

It has been mentioned, that among the many charitable donations of Gen. Washington, he has willed twelve hundred pounds towards the support of that portion of the Alexandria academy set apart for the education of poor and orphan children, to which he had, from its establishment, annually paid fifty pounds.

The legacy of General Washington, to his nephew Judge Washington, we are credibly informed, is a history of the American revolution, written by himself. To those whom the custom of his country imposed it upon him, during his life time, to keep in slavery, their freedom and land to support them!

As much will be said at this time in consequence of the afflicting event of the death of the venerable and ever to be respected General WASHINGTON, it may perhaps be gratifying to many to hear him speaking his own words, on this occasion.

An obliging correspondent has favored us with an extract of a letter of condolence, which this great and good man was pleased to write to one of the Sons of the late Governor Trumbull, on the death of his father, in which he thus expresses himself: "Under this loss, however great as your pang may have been at the first shock, you have every thing to console you. A long and well spent life in the service of his country, placed Governor Trumbull among the first of patriots. In the social duties, he yielded to none; and his lamp, from the common course of nature, being nearly extinguished, worn down with age and cares, but retaining his mental faculties in perfection, are blessings which rarely attend advanced life. All these combining, have secured to his memory universal respect here, and no doubt immeasurable happiness hereafter." He adds, "I am sensible that none of these observations can have escaped you; that I can offer nothing which your own reason has not already suggested upon this occasion, and being of Sterne's opinion, that 'before an affliction is digested, consolation comes too soon; and after it is digested, it comes too late; there is but a mark between these two, as fine almost as a hair, for a comforter to take aim at.'" "I rarely attempt it. Nor shall I add more on this subject to you, as it would only be a renewal of sorrow, by recalling afresh to your remembrance, things which had better be forgotten."

This morning about 2 o'clock, a fire broke out in a dwelling house, in Front Street, four doors below Catherine Street. The building being brick, and higher than the adjacent houses, its ravages extended no farther than to the destruction of the wood work of the house in which it originated.

ANCOCUS TOLL BRIDGE.

AT a meeting of the President, Managers and Company, held on the 6th day of January, 1800, a Dividend of Nine Dollars and an half, on each share, was declared, and will be paid on application to the subscriber.

WILLIAM COXE, Jun. Treasurer.

Burlington, January 6, 1800. ¶ 3t

OFFICIAL.

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman at St. Jago de Cuba, dated 11th December 1799 to his friend at Philadelphia.

"Same American Seamen and Supercargoes die here with the true Philadelphia and New York yellow fever; but none of the inhabitants of this city take it; which causes the Spaniards here to call it the fever of the United States. How differently do the Philadelphians think of it!"

The British Government has ratified the provisional treaty with Touffaint.

A stated meeting of the Society for Alleviating the Miseries of Public Prisons, will be held at the Carpenters Hall, the 13th inst. at 6 o'clock in the evening. January 11.

NEW-YORK, January 10.

Yesterday arrived at this port, in distress, the ship Union, Anthony Dimels master, from Hull bound to Baltimore, after a passage of 112 days, during which he experienced much bad weather, and was obliged to put in here for provisions.

A Gentleman, who arrived last evening by the Stage informs us, that yesterday morning, at half past four, a fire broke out at Brunwick (N. J.) in the shop of Mr. Hazard, coach-maker, near the market-house; and notwithstanding the greatest efforts of the inhabitants, six dwelling houses were entirely consumed. Besides several out houses. Among the sufferers are Mr. David Voothisy (who, it is said, was lost all his property) and the Rev. Mr. Clark. The house of Colonel Neilson was preserved by very great exertion. It was a fortunate circumstance that the weather was perfectly calm, otherwise the whole street would inevitably have been destroyed.

CONGRESS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

FRIDAY, January 10.

The House, in Committee of the whole, Mr. Morris in the Chair, resumed the consideration of Mr. Nicholas's resolution for reducing the army establishment, when Messrs. Kitchell, Gallatin and Randolph, spoke in favor of it; and Messrs. S. Smith, Harper, H. Lee, and Huger, against it. About half past five, the call for the question being very loud, it was at length taken, when there appeared in favor of the resolution 38, against it 39.

The Committee then rose, and the Chairman reported their disagreement to the resolution; when the question upon agreeing to the report of the Committee was taken in the House by yeas and nays, as follows:

Affirmatives. Messrs. Allison, Baer, Barlett, Bayard, Bird, Bracey, J. Brown, Champlin, Dana, J. Davenport, F. Davenport, Dennis, Dent, Dickson, Edmond, Evans, A. Fellers, D. Foster, Freeman, Glen, Goode, C. Goodrich, E. Goodrich, Gordon, Grifwold, Groves, Harper, Hartley, Henderson, Hill, Hunger Im-lay, Kitterer, H. Lee, S. Lee, Lyman, Lynn, Marshall, Morris, Nox, O'Connell, Page, Parkers, Platt, Powell, Reed, Rutledge, Sewall, Sheafe, Shepard, Smith, Taliaferro, Thatcher, J. C. Thomas, R. Thomas, Washworth, Wain, L. Williams, Wood. 39

Negatives. Messrs. Bailey, Bishop, R. Brown, Christie, Clay, Chaiborne, Condit, Davis, Dawson, Eggleston, Elmendorf, Fowler, Gallatin, Gray, Gregg, Hanna, Hecker, Holmes, Jackson, Jones, Kuchell, Leib, Lyon, Mason, Muhlenberg, New, Nicholas, Nicholson, Randolph, Smilie, Stamford, Stone, Sumner, Thompson, A. Trigg, J. Trigg, Van Cortlandt, Vatnum, R. Williams. 39

And then the House adjourned till Monday morning 11 o'clock.

Gazette Marine List.

Port of Philadelphia.

The United States brig Sophia, Smith, is cleared for Algiers.

The brig Liberty, Duer, of this port, from Trinidad to Cumana (and not Curacao, as stated in our last) was captured on the 22d October, in sight of, and ordered into Cumana, by a French privateer of 8 guns, manned by thirty Spaniards and commanded by five Frenchmen.

The above brig is said to have arrived safe at Curacao.

The schooner Spartan, Captain How, of Baltimore, has been taken and carried into Guadaloupe. Captain H. writes Captain Tenant, his owner, that he was several days confined in goal, in iron, but has been exchanged by Captain Murray, of the Insurgente.

The sloop Laurel of Baltimore, is taken by a French privateer of 12 guns, and carried into Margreto. The cargo of the Laurel was worth 1000 dollars.

The schooner Mary Ann, captain Hughes, of and from Baltimore for Savannah, was lost vessel and cargo, on the 4th ult. off Tybee-inlet, within half a mile of the light house—passengers and crew saved.

New-York January 10.

ARRIVED.

Schr. Rachel, Brown, Richmond 7 days. Schr. Nancy, Lincol, on her passage from Demarara to Boston, was taken by a French Privateer, and retaken by the United States Frigates Adams and Insurgente, and has arrived at this port in 50 days. Schr. Lucinda, Floyd, has arrived at Tobago from this port.

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January 8.

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