

POETRY.

From the Philadelphia Magazine.
"FORGET NOT THY MOTHER."

Oh, thou upon whose bosom dear,
My infant head reposed,
Oh, thou whose lips, with kiss sincere,
My weary eye lids closed,
Though many a rising sun has set,
Since last I met thy view,
Oh, never shall my heart forget
What to thy love is due.

Think not my mother, I can cease
To leave my home and thee;
Think not my hours are hours of peace,
Like those of infancy;
Alas! those moments sweet are gone—
Those halcyon hours are fled,
And on the world's cold heart alone
I besom now my head!

Mother, perhaps, the world will say
That I am wholly wrong,
To write to thee a simple lay,
Or chaunt a rustic song;
They'll say I court a childish muse,
Or wake an idle strain,
And will, to hear my lay refuse,
With proud and cold disdain.

And be it so—if gratitude
For kind maternal care,
May be to childish joy construed,
Or seem an idle prayer,
Then take, ye Gods! the MANLY heart
Ye planted in my breast—
Take, take it hence! and once impart
With CHILDISH FEELINGS bless'd.
BOSTON BARB.

A farmer who had a very great name in the country for his dexterity in manly exercises, such as wrestlings, throwing the bar, and the like, drew upon himself many occasions to try his skill, with such as came far and near to challenge him: among the rest a conceited fellow rode a great way to visit this champion: and being told that he was on his ground behind the house, he alighted and walked with his horse in his hand, till he came where he found him at work; so hanging his horse upon the pails, he accosted him thus: that having heard much of his fame he was come forty miles to try a fall with him. The champion without more words, came up to him, and closing with him, took him on such an advantageous lock, that he pitched him clear over the pails; and with a great deal of unconcern, took up his spade and fell to work again: the fellow getting upon his legs again, as nimble as he could, calling to speak to him. Well, says the champion, have you any more to say to me? No, no, replied the fellow, only to desire you would be so kind as to throw my horse after me.

The Well of Superstition.—At the last Mold assizes a man was indicted for extorting 15s. 6d. from another under pretence of rescuing him from the well. It appears that a very profitable species of "incantation" has long been practised by the wizards and witches in the neighborhood of Llanidfan well. It is customary; even at the present day, for people at enmity, to write the names of those they wish to denounce on a piece of slate or paper which they throw into the mysterious well: and it is implicitly believed, that so long as the name remains therein the person is at the mercy of the evil genii, and consigned to ultimate perdition—to escape from this worse than papal malediction, sums of money are given to have the name removed, and thus restore the party to peace!—This indictment it is hoped, will have the effect of finally destroying this ridiculous and superstitious custom. About 12 years ago, a poor taylor in Flintshire, was charged with stealing a goose from an old woman; she was asked how she came to suspect the offender: when she observed that having threatened to throw his name into the well, he confessed the crime. *London paper.*

Extraordinary Enterprise.—On Wednesday of last week arrived in this city, from the Falls of St. Anthony, via Prairie du Chien, and Mackinaw, Bishop Peters, in the 83d year of his age, well known as the writer of a former history of Connecticut, and claimant under Carver, of a tract of land, 190 miles square round the falls of St. Anthony. This aged though enterprising prelate, came from his residence at the falls

to Mackinaw, by water, with the exception of three miles portage. His route was down the Mississippi 3000 miles to Prairie du Chien, the most northern American post upon that river, thence up white river, in his boat, to within three miles of a boatable stream emptying into lake Michigan, across which his boat was taken by a waggon kept for that purpose, and then through the lakes to Buffalo. We understand that the Bishop is on a jaunt of pleasure and business, and that he intends ere long to return in order to spend his days in a new settlement upon the waters of Mississippi.

There is nothing singular in the mere circumstance of an old man 83, removing on to a new farm. This is sometimes done from necessity, and of prompted by parental affections; for there are few things more consoling to age, than the prospect of a family rising to wealth and respectability by habits of industry, and economy, in a new country. But we believe this case is unprecedented, of a man 83 years old adventurously penetrating a wilderness nearly 1000 miles beyond the remotest settlement to be found in a new colony in order to multiply the comforts of his old age, and to provide for his posterity. The bishop we believe commenced his settlement about 7 years ago, and during the whole period of the war managed to maintain a friendly intercourse with his Indian neighbors. We do not know what number of adventurers went on with him, nor the present population or prospects of the new colony.—*Alb. Argus.*

Without friends the world is but a wilderness.

Fulling, Dying & FINISHING.

THE subscriber respectfully informs the public that he still continues to carry on the above business, at his old stand, in Walker township, Centre county, where he hopes to give general satisfaction to all those who may favor him with their custom; and for the accommodation of those who live at a distance, he intends taking in

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with written directions attached to it, and returning it when finished, at the following places, viz: at the house of Joseph Butler, innkeeper, Bellefonte; at the house of Michael Miesse, Howard township, Baldeagle, and at the house of John M-Gee, Brush valley.

Samuel M-Kinney.

October 15, 1818.

NOTICE.

THE Commissioners of Clearfield county will in future meet at their office, on the third Mondays in January, April, August, and November, for the purpose of transacting the business of the county. Incidental meetings, however, in case of exigencies, may occasionally intervene.

DAVID FERGUSON,
ROBERT ROSS,
MATTHEW OGDEN } Com'rs.

Attest—JOS. BOONE, Clerk.
Nov. 16, 1818.

FOR SALE OR RENT, a valuable tract of LAND,

situate in Antes township, Huntingdon county, containing about
80 acres,

more or less, 20 of which is meadow and upland, cleared. The land is well watered and timbered. If the tract is not sold it will be rented for a term of three or four years. There is, on the said farm, a valuable

GRIST MILL,

newly erected, and in good order, with two run of stones, one country the other burr. Also a

SAW MILL,

lately erected, and in complete operation. Possession will be given at any time after the said farm is sold or rented. For further particulars enquire of

John S. Vinacke.

Stop Thief!

\$20

REWARD.

WAS stolen from the stable of the subscriber, in Loyalsock township, Lycoming County, Penna. on the night of the 3d instant, a dark chesnut sorrel

HORSE

from fourteen and an half to fifteen hands high—rising seven or eight years old—lame in one of his hind legs, but not recollected which—a natural trotter—squatly and heavy made and in good order.—The above reward will be given for the apprehension of the thief and recovery of the Horse, or ten dollars for either of them, and all reasonable charges if brought home, by

Robert Moore.

Nov. 4, 1818.

N. B.—The Horse had no shoes on behind.

Segar Manufactory.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public that he has commenced Segar making, in Bellefonte, Centre county, in the frame house situated on the south east corner of the Diamond, formerly occupied by George Henning, as a hatter shop, where he intends keeping a constant supply of

SEGARS.

Country store keepers and others can be supplied on the most reasonable terms. He flatters himself that by punctuality to business, and keeping on hand a quantity of the best Segars, to merit the patronage of a generous public.

William Ward.

Bellefonte, July 20, 1818.

To Let,

For a term of Years.

THE subscriber, residing in Nittany valley, Centre county, and near Washington Ironworks, offers to lease his

FARM.

for a term of years. On the premises are erected a good log House and Barn, with a never failing Spring of water, about forty acres upland, and ten of meadow, cleared, the whole under good cultivation. Possession will be given on the first of April next. For terms apply to

John Shields.

December 10, 1818.

A small Farm FOR SALE

situate in Lamar township, Centre county, about 16 miles from Bellefonte, and on the great road leading to Big Island, containing one hundred and five acres of

LAND,

about one half of which is supposed to be cleared. There are on the premises a dwelling house and barn, and two streams of water running through the place, with meadow ground sufficient for the farm.—

Any person disposed to purchase can be shown the premises by Joseph Johnson or Wm M Gaw, residing near the same.—The above is to be sold in pursuance of the last will and testament of

Thomas M-Calmont,

Executor.

Walker township, Dec. 3.

NOTICE.

THE President and Managers of the
Susquehanna & Waterford
TURNPIKE ROAD
COMPANY,

Have resolved to give contracts for making and completing five sections of said road, each five miles, to wit:

1. To commence at the Susquehanna river, thence north-westwardly.
2. To commence at the inlots of Franklin, thence south-eastwardly.
3. To commence at the east end of the Bridge erecting over French creek, at Franklin, thence north-westwardly.
4. To commence at the inlots of Meadville, thence south-eastwardly.
5. To commence at the inlots of Waterford, thence south-westwardly.

John Vincent, of Waterford, John Brooks and John Reynolds of Meadville; William Moore and John Martin, of Franklin, and Robert Maxwell and Philip Clover, of Armstrong county, Esquires, have been authorised to receive written proposals until the 1st of January next, for making the whole or parts of sections, provided that no part contains less than a complete quarter, as marked and bounded by two quarter posts. A plan, descriptive of the mode of making said road, including all bridges, (excepting those to be erected over navigable streams) and also a draft, field notes and an accurate description of each section, can be seen by application to either of the above named persons. The 1st of September next will be limited for the completion of the contracts. Security will be required of those whose names shall be given in the proposals that the board of managers may approve thereof.

By order of the board of Managers.

John Reynolds,

Sec'ry.

Meadville, Nov. 14, 1818.

Take Notice.

I want money and must have it.

ALL persons indebted to the subscriber living in Patton township, Centre county, are requested to call and pay off their respective accounts, on or before the first day of January next. By complying with this request they will save cost and trouble.

Thomas M-Pherson.

December 2, 1818.

Mrs. Cdpron,

RESPECTFULLY informs the parents and guardians of those young ladies who have been previously under her care, that she will still endeavor to merit their patronage, and that of their friends. She has a teacher of music; a teacher of drawing, who is perfectly master of the art, and professors of the other accomplishments conducive to the polite education of young ladies; particularly a gentleman from the Danville Academy, highly recommended.

Those who see this advertisement, will please refer to her late Cards, for more particular information with respect to the branches taught, and the several prices of each.

Chambersburg, Franklin }
cc'y, Nov. 10, 1818. }

Once More!

THOSE persons who are indebted to the subscriber will do well to call and make payment to Mr. Robert Stephenson in Bellefonte; before the first day of January next. Suits will be brought against those who neglect this notice, without respect to persons.

John Patterson & Co.

Bellefonte, Dec. 2, 1818.