

The child to the gallows / To cut seed Potatoes

POETRY.

A COMMON CASE.

Pray thee tell me, Mr. Printer,
What's an honest man to do?
All my neighbors, all the winter,
Wish to hear the news from you.

But among us, (nearly twenty)
I alone your paper take,
So that news day I've plenty
Sure to follow in my wake.

"Tell me neighbor what the news is,"
Every one desires to know;
Thinks I if a man refuses
He perhaps might make a foe.

So I am compell'd to loan it,
Till it goes the usual round,
Then when I, who really own it,
Wish to read it can't be found.

Tell me Mr. Printer, tell me,
I'm compell'd to ask of you,
If you're any pity tell me,
What's an honest man to do?

CYMON.

The child trained up to the gallows.

Is any father so unnatural as to wish to have his son hanged, let him bring him up in idleness, without putting him to any trade. Let him particularly insure him to spend the Lord's day in play and diversion instead of attending to public worship; and instead of instructing him on that day in the principles of the christian religion, let him rob a neighboring hen-roost, while the proprietor is gone to divine service. Astonishing it is to see so many of our young people growing up without being apprenticed to any business for procuring their future livelihood! The Jews had a proverb. "That whoever was not bred to a trade was bred for the gallows." Every Mussulman is commanded by the the koran to learn some handicraft or other; and to this precept even the family of the grand Seigneur conform, so as to learn as much about the mechanism of a watch, as to be able to take it in pieces, and to put it together again. Are christians the only people in the world who are to live in idleness, when one of the decalogue is, to labor six days in the week? and an inspired apostle has commanded us to work under the express penalty of not eating in default. "This we command you," said he, "that if any one should not work neither should he eat." "Train up a child," says king Solomon, "in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." But if you intend him for the gallows, train him up in the way he should go, and before he is old, he will probably be hanged. In the age of vanity, restrain him not from the follies and allurements of it. In the age proper for learning and instruction give him neither.

POTATOES.

It is a fact not sufficiently known, that a great proportion of the Potatoe-seed is deposited at one end, or side, and hardly any at that part which while growing attaches it by the root to the vine.

It is very easy to distinguish the root end, for we generally find a withered piece of the root at that end. The sprout for the seed will be found at the opposite end, of the long potatoes, or side of these more globular.

If the potatoe is of an oblong form in any degree, if we cut from the seed end about 1-4th part of the length of it, we get nearly all the valuable seeds therein. Take that and plant it. The other part lay by in the cellar, for spring and summer use at the table. It will be found that as the seeds are thus taken off, little or none of the substance left will be lost, and the potatoe will continue perfectly fit for eating at the table two months longer than those which have not been thus cut.

This experiment has been tried in some towns in this country for 4 years past and

has always succeeded. Some Farmers here have made it a practice to begin cutting their potatoes, in this manner early in January; and they put their seed-ends into vessels or boxes, mingling a little loam with them to keep them from getting dry. In this manner more than two-thirds of the seed potatoes thus planted may be saved for family use, or for feeding out to the cattle, &c. and they will continue more palatable and profitable to the consumer.

The crop to the farmer is more abundant, because in cutting off the seed-ends, in this manner, scarcely any of the fibres, or roots of the seed are destroyed. It has been the common practice to cut the large potatoes for planting in 4 or 5 pieces, paying no regard to which is the root, or seed-end, of the potatoe; and in this way many of the seeds, sprouts, or chits have been destroyed. The writer of this tried the experiment last year; and he knew nothing of it himself before the end of April last, and has related its effects to many farmers, who had never heard it before.

If any farmer should be fearful of losing his crop and so unwilling to risk it, it is hoped that he will try it at least in 50 or 100 hills; and thereby he will find, that it will be the best method of planting in future.

By order of the Orphans' Court of Centre County, WILL BE SOLD,

AT public vendue, in the Borough of Bellefonte, on the fourth Monday of April next, a certain tract of

LAND,

situate lying and being in the township of Lawrence, in the county of Clearfield, containing

600 Acres,

more or less, adjoining lands of Martin Hoover, David Ligget, and the Susquehanna river, and about two miles from the County town of Clearfield county, late the estate of Frederick Henney, deceased. There are on the premises a square log dwelling house well finished; a grist and saw mill, in good order; a young orchard consisting of about 150 trees, and from 80 to 100 acres clear land. Terms of sale, fifteen hundred dollars cash, when the sale is confirmed, and deed executed, and the residue in three equal yearly payments to be secured by bonds and mortgage. Due attendance will be given by

Esther Henney,

Administratrix.

Jacob Henney,

Administrator.

By the Court.

Certified by
Wm. Petrikin,
Clerk, O. C.

Bellefonte, March 17th 1819.

CAUTION.

WHEREAS we the subscribers, gave a note of hand to Alexander Robertson, of Nittany valley, Centre County, for twenty five dollars, dated about the 11th day of October 1818, which note we are determined not to pay unless compelled by law.

STEPHEN HEARD.

JAMES GRIER.

March 10, 1819.

WANTED

Two or three Apprentices to the Millwright Business.

Boys from 17 to 18 years of age, who can come well recommended, will meet with good encouragement, by applying to the subscriber, living in Aaronsburg, Centre county.

David Walter.

March 24th 1819.

PROCLAMATION.

Notice is hereby Given,

THAT a Court of Common Pleas, General Quarter Sessions of the Peace and Orphans' Court, in and for the counties of Centre and Clearfield, will be held at the Court House, in the borough of Bellefonte, on Monday, the 26th day of April, at ten o'clock A. M. of said day, of which the Coroner, Justices of the Peace, and Constables, within said Counties, will take notice, that they be then and there, in their proper persons, with their rolls, records, inquisitions, examinations, and other remembrances, to do those things which to their offices appertain to be done; and all suitors, jurors and witnesses are also requested to be and attend at said Court, and not depart without leave.

Given under my hand, at Bellefonte this sixteenth day of March, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and nineteen.

John Mitchell, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sales.

By virtue of a writ of alias Venditioni Exponas issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Centre County, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, on Monday the 26th day of April next, at the Court House, in the Borough of Bellefonte, the following described property, viz.

A certain tract of land, with the improvements and appurtenances, containing one hundred acres, more or less, situated in Halfmoon township, adjoining lands of Henry Yoder and Isaac Moore. Seized and taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Stephen Davis.

ALSO,

By virtue of a writ of alias Venditioni Exponas issued out of the said Court, to me directed will be exposed to public sale at the same time and place, a certain tract of land, with the improvements and appurtenances, containing one hundred acres more or less, situated in Halfmoon township, adjoining lands of Henry Yoder and Isaac Moore. Seized and taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Henry Work.

ALSO,

By virtue of a writ of alias Venditioni Exponas, issued out of the same court, to me directed, will be exposed to sale, at the same time and place, a certain tract or parcel of land, containing two hundred acres, more or less, with the appurtenances and improvements, situate in Potter township, Centre county adjoining lands of Lawrence Grossman, Robert Mitchell and others. Seized and taken in execution and to be sold as the property of John Moore.

ALSO,

By virtue of an alias Venditioni Exponas issued out of the same court, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, at the same time and place, a certain tract of land containing one hundred and fifty acres, be the same more or less, situate in Potter township, Centre county, adjoining lands of David Love, the heirs of — Risher and others, with the improvements and appurtenances. Seized and taken in execution, and to be sold as the property of Robert Mitchell.

ALSO,

By virtue of a writ of alias Venditioni Exponas issued out of the same court, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale at the same time and place, a certain tract of land, situated in Lamar township, containing seventy-five acres more or less adjoining lands of John McGhee, Widow Wilson and others, with the improvements and appurtenances. Seized and taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Joel Herr, by

John Mitchell, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Bellefonte,
March 19, 1819.

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. McGaw, residing near the same.

The above is to be sold in pursuance of the last will and testament of Archibald Johnson, deceased. For terms apply to

Thomas M. Calmont,

Executor.

Walker township, Dec. 3.

FOR SALE.

On the Tuesday of the next April Court, in Bellefonte, the subscriber will offer at Public sale,

TWO OUT LOTS,

situated on Bishop street, adjoining the lots, and on the road leading to Pennsally. Each of them well fenced and now in clover. The conditions will be made known on the day of sale.

E. Moore.

Bellefonte, April 1st 1819.

ENTERTAINMENT.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public in general that he has taken that commodious house in the Borough of Bellefonte, lately occupied by James Hemphill as a house of entertainment. By strict attention to business and keeping a constant supply of the best liquors and other accommodations, he flatters himself to continue to merit a share of the public patronage.

Joseph Butler.

Bellefonte, March 25, 1819.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of James Jack, late of Potter township, Centre County, deceased, are requested to make payment, and those having demands against said estate, to present them for adjustment, as it is the intention of the subscriber to make settlement of the administration account on or before the 27th day of April next.

John Jack,

Adm'r.

March 24th 1819.

TO TANNERS.

I WILL sell a valuable TAN-YARD situated in the town of Franklin, the seat of justice of Venango county, Pennsylvania, with a

Patent Bark Mill

and small tools, all in good order. Possession will be given on the first day of April next. The terms will be made easy \$400 in hand, or when the deed is made for the premises, and the small sum of \$150 a year (little more than it rents for) to be secured by mortgage. For further particulars apply to the editor of the Bellefonte Patriot, or the subscriber, in the town of Franklin.

Wm. Connely.

Franklin, February 19, 1819.