

POETRY.

From the Balance.

Time and Chance Happen to all.

There's a Chance for the soldier tho' never
so brave,
On the field of his glory to sink in the
grave,
There's another chance too that he safe
may come back
With a cart load of laurels—of rupees a
lack ?
There's a chance for the lawyer to live by
his writs,
And a chance for the gambler to win by his
hits :
There's another chance too that the gam-
bler may lose,
And the neck of a lawyer find room in a
noose.
There's a chance for the sailor a prize
ship to take,
And a chance for a whirlwind to come in
his wake ;
There's a chance on the ocean a treasure
to win
And a chance too that Neptune may have
it again.
There's a chance for mechanics to live by
their trade,
And another chance too that their checks
wont be paid ;
There's a chance for the sexton to live by
the dead,
And a chance that he sometimes goes hun-
gry to bed.
There's a chance for the doctor to live by
the sick,
And a chance that the *white horse* the doc-
tor may kick,
There's a chance for the drunkard to live
on good wine ;
And a chance for the hangman to give him
a line.
There's a chance for the poet to starve on
his rhymes,
And a chance for the vet'ran to beg in
hard times,
There's a time and a chance for all men
on the earth,
To him that is wretched, and him full of
mirth.
But of chances and times in this world to
be found—
And I've travelled it and travelled it more
than half round,
There's no chance so rare, if the truth I
must say,
As the chance that SUBSCRIBERS the
PRINTER will pay !

BOSTON BARD.

From the curiosities of Literature.

*Different modes of salutation in different coun-
tries.*

The first nations have no peculiar mode
of salutation ; they know no reverences or
other compliments or they dispise or dis-
dain them. The Greenlanders laugh,
when they see an European uncover his
head and bend his body before him whom
he calls his superior.

The Islanders near the Phillipines, take
the hand or foot of him they salute and
with it they gently rub their face. The
Laplarders apply their nose strongly
against that of the person they salute.—
Dampier says that at New Guinea they
are satisfied with placing on their heads the
leaves of trees, which have ever passed
for symbols of friendship and peace. This
is a picturesque. Other salutations are ve-
ry inconvenient and painful ; it requires
great practice to be polite in an island sit-
uated in the streights of the sound. Hous-
man tells us they saluted him in this odd

way : They raised his left foot, which
they passed gently over the right leg and
from thence over his face. The inhabit-
ants of the Phillipines bend their body
very low, in placing their hands on their
cheeks and rising at the same time one
foot in the air, with their knee bent.

The Ethiopian take the robe of another,
and ties it about his own waist, so that he
leaves his friend half naked. This cus-
tom of undressing on these occasions take
other forms ; sometimes they place them-
selves naked before the person whom they
salute ; it is to shew their humility and
that they are unworthy to appear in his
presence.—Sometimes they only undress
partially. The Japanese only take off a
slipper ; the people of Arracon, their sand-
les in the street, and their stockings in
the house. In a word there is not a na-
tion, (observes the humorous Montaigne,)
even to the people, who when they salute
turn their backs on their friends, but that
can be justified in their customs. It must
be observed of the negroes, that they are fond
of the ludicrous and thus make all their
ceremonies farcical. Snelgrave gives an
odd representation of the embassy which
the king of Dacomy sent to him, the cer-
emonies of salutation consisted in the most
ridiculous contortions. When two negro
monarch's visit, they embrace by snap-
ping three times the middle fingers.

Barbarous nations frequently imprint on
their salutations the disposition of their
character.

When the inhabitants of Carmena (says
Athenæus) would show a peculiar mark of
esteem, they open a vein, and present for
the beverage of their friend the blood as
it issues. The Franks tore hair from their
head and presented it to the persons they
saluted. The slave cut his hair and of-
fered it to his master. The Chinese are
singularly affected in their personal civili-
ties. They even calculate the number of
reverences. Those are their most re-
markable postures : The men move their
hands in an affectionate manner while
they are joined together on the breast
and bow their head a little. If they re-
spect a person, they raise their hands joined
and then lower them to the earth, in
bending the body.—If two persons meet,
after a long separation, they both fall on
their knees, and bend the face to the earth ;
and this ceremony they repeat two or three
times. Their expressions mean as little
as their ceremonies. If a Chinese is asked
how he finds himself in health ? he an-
swers, " Very well ; thanks to your abun-
dant felicity." If they would tell a man
he looks well, they say, " prosperity is
painted on your face ;" or " your air an-
nounces your happiness." If you render
them any service they say—" My thanks
should be immortal." If you praise them
they answer, " How shall I dare to per-
suade myself of what you say of me ?"
If you dine with them they tell you at
parting, " we have not treated you with
sufficient distinction." The various titles
they invent for each other, it would be
impossible to translate. It is to be ob-
served, that all these answers are pre-
scribed by the Chinese Titual, or Acad-
emy of Compliments. There, are deter-
mined the number of bows ; the expres-
sions to be employed ; the genuflexions ;
and the inclinations which are to be made
to the right or to the left hand, the sala-
utations of the muster before the chair,
where the stranger is to be seated for he
salutes it most profoundly, and wipes the
dust away with the skirts of his robe ; all
these and other things are noticed, even
to the silent gestures by which you are
celebrated to enter the house. The lower
class of people are equally nice in their
punctillios ; and ambassadors pass forty
days in practising them before they are
enabled to appear at court. A tribunal of

ceremonies has been erected ; and every
day very odd decrees are issued, to which
the Chinese most religiously submit.

W. WARD, TOBACCONIST,

INFORMS the public and those dis-
posed to favor him with their custom, that
having received a supply of Tobacco from
Pittsburgh, he intends keeping constantly
on hand a quantity of the best

SEGARS.

He apologizes to those Merchants who
so generously aided him when he first es-
tablished, and who have been disappointed
in their expectations.—Not being being
acquainted with the market from whence
he was supplied with tobacco, he neglect-
ed to send for a supply in season, and by
this means has not been enabled to supply
them as usual. He assures them howev-
er that in future, no such neglect shall
take place. All orders from country
Merchants and others shall be punctually
attended to, and gratefully acknowledged.

Bellefonte July 26, 1819.

TO SETTLERS.

100,000 Acres of Land.

THE subscriber offers for sale, on the
most moderate terms, about ONE HUN-
DRED THOUSAND ACRES OF

LAND,

of an excellent quality, in the Counties of
Indiana, Jefferson, and Armstrong.—
Being part of the Holland Land tract,
and situated on and adjoining Redbank,
and other navigable streams ; and free
from all incumbrance whatever, on which
there is a large settlement of German
Dunkers and others.

The settlement is rapidly increasing,
not excelled by any other in the State,
the Land and roads are good, and there
are erected on the premises several mills.
Payments to be made in eight equal an-
nual installments. Apply to

Charles C. Gaskill.

Mahoning, Indiana, June 19, 1819.

\$200 REWARD

WILL be paid by the General Post Of-
fice department, together with the neces-
sary costs, to any person who may be
successful in detecting the person who
parloined from the mail, a letter put into
the Post Office at Bellefonte, Centre
County, on the 2nd day of May last,
directed to Mrs. Abigail Potts, Potts-
grove, Montgomery County, con-
taining three notes of \$100 each, of
the Bank of the United States, payable at
the Branch in Pittsburg, all dated 2d of
October 1817, two of them Letter C, No.
241 265 and one Letter D No. 266 ;
which letter has never reached its destina-
tion. Any information on the subject
may be communicated to the subscriber
in Bellefonte, Centre County.

Joseph Miles.

August 3, 1819.

Editors of Newspapers, friendly to the
detection of villany, are requested to in-
sert the above.

LOOK HERE!!!

THOSE persons who know themselves
indebted to the subscriber, for upwards
of one year, are requested to come for-
ward and discharge the same immediately,
or payment will be enforced by compul-
sitory measures.—this may be relied on.

James M'Gee.

Bellefonte, September 8th 1819.

NOTICE.

THOSE Stockholders of the Susque-
hannah and Waterford Turnpike road
Company, who have not paid the instal-
ment of five dollars required at the issu-
ing of the certificates, as per notice of
January last, are hereby advised that if
the said instalment shall remain due and
unpaid, after the first day of November
next, the Treasurer will be required to
institute suits for the recovery of the
same, together with five per cent per
month Interest, to be computed from and
after the expiration of 60 days from the
1st Monday of May last, conformably to
Sect. 8th of the law authorizing the in-
corporation of said Company. Also the
third instalment of three dollars on each
share of the Stock of said Company will
be required to be paid to the Treasurer
on or before the first day of November
next.

By order of the board,

JOHN REYNOLDS Secretary.

Meadville, Sept. 25, 1819.

NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of
John Trautman deceased, late of Miles
township, Centre County, are requested
to make payment ; and those having de-
mands against said estate will present them
to the subscriber on or before the first
day of January next, properly authentica-
ted.

John Shafer,

Administrator.

Miles Township Sept. 17, 1819

Wm. T BROWN,

Will remove, on the first day of Octo-
ber next, from the house which he now
occupies in Sunbury, to the large stone
house on Market square, formerly kept
as an Inn by Charles Hegins, Esq. The
buildings and out houses are well known
to be the most capacious and convenient
in this borough ; and every exertion will
be made to afford comfort and gratifica-
tion to travellers and customers, and he
hopes from the great share of favor he
has already enjoyed, that he has hitherto
given satisfaction to the public—and be-
lieves that after his removal he shall be
enabled to accommodate them much
more to their satisfaction as well as his
own. He therefore desires they will call
on him as usual.

Sunbury, Sept. 13, 1819.

LIME FOR SALE.

THE subscriber wishes to inform the
inhabitants of Bellefonte, and the people
of Centre county generally, that he has
on hand

Two thousand bushels

of well burnt Roach Lime, of a very su-
perior quality. It will be sold on reason-
able terms, and may be had on applica-
tion to Mrs. Elizabeth Simpson, or

John M'Kinley.

Sept. 21, 1819.

Wm. H Culbertson, SADDLER,

INFORMS his friends, and the public
in general, that he has commenced the
Saddling business,

in the Borough of Bellefonte. He in-
tends keeping constantly on hand a quan-
tity of ready made Saddlery, which he
will dispose of for Cash only.

August 12, 1819.