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From Graham's Magazine.

Written on seeing Thackeray's bas-relief representing Night.

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Yes! hear them to their rest; The rosy babe, tired with the glare of day, The prattler fallen asleep 'e'en in his play, Clasp them to thy soft breast, O, Night,

Let them immortals wake Among the breathless flowers of Paradise, Where angels-sons of welcome with surprise This their last sleep may break, O, Night,

Lament of a Single Lady. It's really very singular, I cannot make it out, I've many beaux, yet none propose—

At park or play, by night or day, They follow me about, Riding or walking, singing or talking, At rest, in masque or rout,

KEEP DOING.—I know nothing better, for poor, miserable, do nothing, fear-all sort of beings—such as non-frequently attempt to act their part in life's drama—than to set about doing, with all their soul and strength, whatever proper work, either for body or mind, comes first to hand.

PETTY ARISTOCRACY.—If there is anything disagreeable in the social circle, really loathsome in any kind of society, it is to hear a poverty-stricken aristocrat, too lazy to work, and ashamed to beg, talk of what he once was, of rich uncles, aunts, cousins, of the splendor of his father's mansion, and his mother's "first society."

What you keep by you, you may change and amend, but words once spoken can never be recalled.

SUNBURY AMERICAN.

AND SHAMOKIN JOURNAL.

Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of Republics, from which there is no appeal but to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism.—JERRESON.

By Masser & Eisely. Sunbury, Northumberland Co. Pa. Saturday, August 26, 1843. Vol. 3—No. 48—Whole No. 152.

AN INCIDENT OF THE REVOLUTION.

In the summer of 1770, during one of the darkest periods of our revolutionary struggle, in the then small village of S—, (though it now bears a more dignified title,) in this State, lived Judge V. one of the finest and truest patriots within the limits of the "Old Thirteen," and deep in the confidence of Washington.

It was a calm bright Sabbath afternoon of the said summer, when Judge V. and his family, with the exception of his daughter Catharine, and an old indisposed slave, were attending service in a village church. Not a breath disturbed the serenity of the atmosphere—no sound profaned the sacredness of the day; the times were dangerous, and Catharine had locked herself and the old slave in the house, until the return of the family from church.

Van Zandt was a notorious character, and the number and enormity of his crimes had rendered his name infamous in that vicinity. Not a murder or robbery was committed within miles of S—, that he did not get credit either of planning or executing. The characters of Finley and Sheldon were also deeply stained with crime, but Van Zandt was a master spirit of iniquity.

At the sight of this formidable weapon, the companions of Van Zandt, who had crossed the street at his call, retreated.

All rushed towards the place, and upon their arrival, Van Zandt was in the agonies of death. He still retained strength to acknowledge that they had frequently been concealed in the neighborhood for that purpose, but no opportunity had offered until that day, when, lying con-

coiled in the woods, they had seen the Judge and his family going to church.

The body of the dead Tory was taken up and buried by the Sexton of the church, as he had no relations in that vicinity.

The occurrence of the summer immediately presented itself to her, and the fact that her father and the other males of the family were at work in a field some distance from the house, led her to suspect that the opportunity had been improved, probably by some of Van Zandt's friends to plunder and revenge his death.

Catharine afterwards married a captain of the Continental army, and she still lives the mother of a numerous and respectable line of descendants.

We received, two or three days since, the Horticultural Magazine for August.

As to grafting nothing is more simple, if the right method be adopted. Cut off the old vine below the surface of the earth, after the leaves are fully expanded, and all danger of bleeding is past.

Mr. Canak adds, that it is essential that the operation should not be performed in that season when the plant is subject to bleeding.

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Duelling in England.

The fatal result of the recent duel between Colonel Fawcett and Lieutenant Monro has made a great sensation in London, and once more stimulated the public journals to the discussion of plans for the absolute suppression of the inhuman practice.

At the tea-table Col. Fawcett's vexation again broke out. Lieutenant Monro, wearied and provoked at the Colonel's pertinacity, answered with some asperity, and Colonel Fawcett, starting up in a rage, called a servant and ordered him to kick the Lieutenant out of doors.

Now it is obvious that there was no cause for mortal combat, even under the falsely called laws of honor. Neither of the gentlemen lay under any necessity of proving his courage, for both had proved time and again, on the field of battle.

A VIGILANT LEGISLATOR.—A member of the British House of Commons, one Benjamin Chapman, happening to vote the wrong way on the Irish Question, next day "defined his position," in the following unique card:

An EDITOR IN THE SKINS.—Mr. E. Perry Howe, editor of the "Democratic," published at Oxford, Mississippi, thus harmoniously describes some of his labor:—

He who is of a surly and unyielding disposition never fails to excite troubles even among relatives and friends.

The Jews.

The present physical, moral and social condition of the Jews must be a miracle. We can come to no other conclusion. Had they continued from the commencement of the Christian era down to the present hour in some such national state in which we find the Chinese, wall-off from the rest of the human family, and by their selfishness on a national scale, and their repulsion of alien elements, resisting every assault from without, in the shape of hostile invasion, and from an overpowering national pride forbidding the introduction of new and foreign customs, we should not see so much miracle interwoven with their existence.

Like their own bush on Mount Horeb, Israel has continued in the flames, but unconsumed. They are the aristocracy of scripture, let off coronets—princes in degradation.

Good ADVICE.—There is much good sense in the following, which although old, deserves to be repeated once a year:

A GENTLE HINT.—An uncle left in his will eleven silver spoons to his nephews, adding, "If I have not left the dozen, he knows the reason." The nephew had some time before stolen one from his relative.

We have seen a stone erected in memory of an old and valued Dog, a native of this city, from which we copy the following terse and pertinent inscription. An animal that has been faithful and sagacious may be worthy of commemoration as many of the "Lords of Creation," whose monuments are proof rather of the partiality of their friends, than of their own merits.

On hute and monarch Death alike will call— Dogs have their day, and Spring has had his fall. Decease by barking—lawyers, biting, thrive: Spring could do both; but both could not make him live.

Why is a man throwing away money when he buys a shilling's worth of perfume at a time? Because he gives a shilling for a scent.

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