



THE VOYAGE.

Before me lies the troublous deep,
Life's ocean, tost by many a storm;
Behind me, hush'd, the billows sleep,
Whose calm, wild winds no more deform.

I tempted childhood's laughing wave
And wreckless, toyed with danger nigh,
I trod upon the gaping grave
And smiled at fear yet, know not why.

In youth I sought a brighter path,
Yet paused to gaze at childhood's boom;
Fled was the angry lightning's scathe,
For peaceful is love's early dream.

What dangers press on manhood's prow!
His barque is tost by every gale,
The shoals of folly thicken now,
And perils rise, and cares assail.

Yet manhood past, how slight appear,
The terrors strown on manhood's way,
Nights' cowering phantoms disappear,
And broad and brightly shines the day.

Before me lies the troublous deep,
The sea which angry waves deform,
Yet faith shall bid the billow sleep,
And Hope shall soar above the storm.

PECULIAR HABITS OF MUSICAL COMPOSERS.—Sacchini could not write a passage except his wife was at his side, and unless his cats, whose playfulness he admired, were gadding about him. Paisiello composed in bed. Il Bardiere di Siviglia, La Molinara, and other chefs-d'œuvre of ease and gracefulness. Zingarelli would dictate his music after reading a passage in one of the fathers of the church, or in some Latin classic.—Hayden, solitary and sober as Newton, putting on the ring sent him by Frederick II. and which he said was necessary to inspire his imagination, sat down to his piano, and in a few minutes soared among the choirs. Nothing disturbed him at Eisenstaat, the seat of Prince Esterhazy; he lived wholly for his art exempt from worldly cares, and often said that he always enjoyed himself most when he was at work.—Cimarosa was fond of noise; he liked to have his friends about him when he composed. Frequently in the course of a single night he wrote the subjects of eight or ten charming airs which he afterwards finished in the midst of his friends.—Parlor Magazine.

A GREAT MISTAKE.—It is very evident that many young men who are acquiring a knowledge of science for future usefulness, pay but little or no attention to the art of writing. They either think it of no use, or suffer themselves to fall into the habit of writing a contracted, diminutive, illegible hand; which is really disgraceful.

Such person ought, (if they cannot otherwise remedy the evil) to put themselves under

the tuition of a good writing master; and learn to write a fair, open, manly hand. If they suppose it is of no consequence to their usefulness, they are greatly mistaken. With the helps that may be obtained in almost any bookstore for a small sum, and proper application, no man need be a mean writer. It is especially wrong in these days of advancement in the fine arts, of which good chirography is one. Proper care will render it as easy to write quick and handsome, as to write quick. It is a great mistake to suppose, that to write bad is indicative of great knowledge and deep thought. To write well is one part of a good genteel education; therefore no student can be justified in neglecting it.—Ch. Secretary.

SPORTING WITH DIVINE THINGS.—Even professing christians are often guilty of trifling with sacred things. They will not spare their jest at the expense of the minister's mistake, or the minister's peculiarities; nor refrain from violating the true meaning of a scripture text, when it may serve as a quotation to illustrate some humorous or profane occurrence. But God is not a God who will be mocked, or who will suffer his holy word to be trifled with. The christian disciple is often cursed with hardness of heart and blindness of mind for such derelictions, and suffered to go days and weeks with his head bowed down and his heart sorrowful—mourning for the light of that countenance which had before cheered him on his pleasant journey.

METHOD OF MAKING SHEET LEAD.—The sheet lead from China is manufactured in a way not generally known in this country. The operation is conducted by two men. One is seated on a floor with a large flat stone before him, and with a moveable flat stone at his side. His fellow workman stands beside him with a crucible filled with melted lead, and having poured a certain quantity upon the stone, the other lifts the moveable stone, and dashing it on the fluid lead, presses it out into a flat and thin plate, which he instantly removes from the stone. A second quantity of lead is poured in a similar manner and a similar plate formed; the process being carried on with singular rapidity. The rough edges of the plate are then cut off, and they are soldered together for use.

Every one has heard of the Harpers, the great book publishers at New York. These two brothers commenced their labors, not many years ago, as journeymen printers. They then acquired a high reputation among their employers for their industry and skill. They continued laboring as journeymen until they had by rigid economy acquired sufficient to go into business themselves and are now worth nearly three hundred thousand dollars.—"the fruits of bold enterprise and honest industry." They give constant employment and good wages to about three

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Alexander Wilson, BLACKING MANUFACTURER.

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No. 10, Sackville Street
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Which is the best? why mine, will each cry out, That mine's the best there cannot be a doubt, These fellows make but trash.—Thus they deride, I'll silent be, the PUBLIC shall decide.

☞ Bottles wanted.

May 27.

SEEDS, SEEDS.

MAY, 1836.

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Flower and Garden Seeds

These Seeds have been obtained from the same House in London, whose supplies for the last four years, have given such general satisfaction.

JOHN NAYLOR.

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May 9.

G. HOBSON, Engraver and Copper-Plate Printer,

No. 39, DUKE-STREET.

☞ Maps, Plans, Bills of Exchange, Bill Heads, Address and Visiting Cards, Arms and Crests, Labels, &c. neatly designed, engraved and printed. Metal Seals, Door Plates, Dog Collars, and Dandy Ornaments, neatly engraved.

May 13, 1836.

To Tailors.

A healthy, active BOY, possessing good morals, who is desirous of learning the above business, wishes a situation as an apprentice to the same; he is now 14 years of age, and can be well recommended.—Application to be made at this Office.

June 17.

☞ A middle aged woman wishes a situation as Housekeeper, Nurse, or to do plain sewing.—Good reference as to character can be produced. A line addressed to M. N. and left at this Office, will be attended to,
June 10,