

ORIGINAL POETRY

THE BEGGAR'S SIMILE.

DON CASTALIO why so vain?
 See the ever moving main,
 Now the swelling waves ascend,
 Now their lofty heads they bend;
 These are falling, others rise,
 And would seem to reach the skies!
 But their towering spirit fails,
 And they sink to lowly vales;
 Mark their changes as they go,
 All, by turns, are high and low.

Does thou hate the mimic scene?
 Feels thy conscious heart the spleen?
 Shall the moral thou shalt hear,
 And 'tis worthy of thy care.
 Thus thy proudly boasted line
 Is as low and mean as mine:
 Thus my humble pedigree
 Rose as oft and high as they:
 All one Race as walk on Ocean,
 Is ordain'd to constant motion.

Jove all potent, just to all,
 Makes the swelling billows fall
 While he lifts the humble mind,
 As by one o'eruling wind:
 And lest we, securely great,
 Vain should be with pride elate,
 Or in misery despair,
 Fix'd is no condition here;
 PRINCES, BEGGARS, RULERS, SLAVES
 PASS UNCERTAIN AS THE WAVES.

Omicron.

EPIGRAMME.

Deux gens de bien, tels que Vire en produit,
 S'entreplaïdoient sur la faulx gedu'e
 Faite par l'an, dans son art tant inbruit,
 Que de Thémis il bravoit la séruple.
 Or, de cet art se targuant sans scrupule,
 Se trouvant seuls sur l'huis du rapporteur:
 Signes-tu mieux? vois, disoit le porteur:
 F'inscrire en faux seroit vaine défense.
 M'inscrive en faux? repris le débiteur,
 Tant ne suis sot: tiens, voilà ta quittance.

PRICES CURRENT QUEBEC, 30 APRIL 1803

IMPORTS.		Flaxseed no price fixed.	
Rum	Jamaica (none)	Biscuit p cwt	17/8 a sup.
	Per Gall.	Seal oil p. hhd.	(none)
	C. Pf. do. none	Oak Timber (none)	p. cub. ft.
Brandy	none	Pine do. do.	do.
Gin	4/5	Pipe staves,	
Beauport Spirits	5/6	1 1/2 inch. p. m.	
Molasses	3s. 2d.	of 1200 & 1-5	advance for ev-
Spanish wine hhd.	£12	ry 3/4 inch thick	
Port wine do.	£40 a 50	er.	
Madeira do.	£40 a 50	Shingles (none) p. do.	
Teneriffe (none)		Boards 1 inch 10	
Fayal (scarce)	£24	ft. long p. 1000	
Foreign Salt bushl.	3/6	ft.	
English do.	21d. a 2s.	Planks 2 in. do.	
Musco. Sugar gos.	a 60.	Americ. Pork	
Coffee	lb. 18d	prime p. lb.	
Tobacco Leaf	6d	Do. mcsa do.	
Carrot none imported		Do. beef	
Rice (none for sale)		Country butter 7 lb a 9d	
Coal p. cb.	30s a 45s	Mould Candles	
Wheat no price establish-		Dipt	
ed	p. minot.	Soap Turpent.	
Oats	2s 6d		
Barley	3s 9d		
Pease	5s		

Exchange on London at 30 days par. at 60 days 2 per cent disc. The Par. of Exchange is £111 2 3 currency, for £100 Sterling.

MARCHE'S.

QUEBEC, 30 Avril, 1803

Farine p. q.	15s à 18s 4d	Lard par lb.	7 1/2
Jon do	5s	Suife do	6 1/2
Pois par minot	5s à 8s 4d	Beurre en Tin.	12
Patates p. do.	2/6	Dind p. coup.	7 1/2
Avoige p. do.	3s	Oies p. do	2s 6d à 4d
Boeuf par lb.	4d	Poules p. do	2/6 à 3/6
Do. p. quartier (point)	4d	Anguilles	5d à 1s 6d
Veau par lb.	6d à 7 1/2d	Mouton	5d à 1s 6d
Do en quartiers	2s 6d	Foin par cent	35s à 50s
Mouton p. lb.	7 1/2d	Paille par do	12s 6d à 20s
Do. p. quartier (point)	4d	Bois p. corde ras	6d à 1s 6d
Sain Doux do	9d à 1s 3d	Bié 3 lb.	12 onces 6d.
Pain Blanc 3 lb.	2 onces		

METEOROLOGICAL TABLE, APRIL 1803

Days.	M's Age	Weather.	Wds	Barometer.		Thermom.	
				Inches.		Degrees.	
				M.	A.	M.	A.
24		rain		29.4	29.4	43	51
25		fine		29.5	29.4	41	50
26		fine		29.4	29.4	45	59
27		fine	E	29.7	29.7	47	58
28	1	fine		29.8	29.7	46	59
29		fine		29.7	29.6	52	72
30		hazy		29.5		63	

● N. Moon. ☽ 1st. Quar ○ F Moon. ☾ last Q.