

Past's Corner

THE FIELD OF BATTLE.

FAVOUR'd by the battle's roar,
Disant down the bloody wind;
Fainting terror fled before,
Wounds and death were left behind.
The war-hound curs'd the sunken day,
That check'd his fierce pursuit too soon;
While, scarcely lighting to the prey,
Low hung and lour'd the bloody moon.
The field so late the hero's pride,
Was now with various carnage spread;
And floated with a crimson tide,
That drench'd the dying and the dead.
O'er the sad scene of direst view,
Abandon'd all to horrors wild,
With frantic step Maria flew,
Maria, sorrow's early child;
By duty led, for every vein
Was warm'd by Hymen's purest flame;
With Edgar o'er the wint'ry main
She, lovely, faithful wand'rer came.
Thought, 'twixt 'er for long—'er chill affright,
(The torrent bursting from her eye)
She heard the signal for the fight—
While her soul trembled in a sigh—
She heard and clasp'd him to her breast,
Yet scarce could urge th' inglorious stay;
His manly heart the charm confest—
Then broke the charm—and rush'd away.
Too soon in few—but deadly words,
Some flying straggler breath'd to tell,
'At in the foremost strife of swords,
The young, the gallant Edgar fell.
She prest to hear—she caught the tale—
With every sound her blood congeal'd;
And terror bold—with terror pale,
She sprang to search the fatal field.
O'er the sad scene in dire amaze
She went with courage not her own—
On many a corpse she cast her gaze—
And turn'd her ear to many a groan.
Drear anguish urg'd her to press
Full many a hand as wild she mourn'd;
Of comfort glad, the dying carcs,
The damp, chill, dying hand return'd.
Her ghastly hope was well nigh fled—
When late pale Edgar's form she found,
Half-buried with the hostile dead,
And gor'd with many a grisly wound.
She knew, she sunk—the night-bird scream'd,
The moon withdrew her troubled light,
And left the fair—though fall's she seem'd—
To worse than death—and deepest night.

FOR THE STAR.

AN ESSAY ON HAPPINESS.

II. I come now in the second place to shew wherein happiness does consist. And observe upon this point, 1. That happiness consists in the exercise of the social affections and in good deeds. That man was made for society is an observation supported by all the evidence necessary to establish a fact. We may reckon a propensity common to man and other animals, to mix with the herd, and, without reflection, to follow the crowd of his species. What this propensity was in the first moment of its operation we know not, but with men accustomed to company, its enjoyments and disappointments are reckoned among the principal pleasures (or pains) of human life. The wailing of the infant, and the language of the adult, when a'one; the lively joys of the one and the cheerfulness of the other, upon the return of company; are sufficient proofs of its solid foundation in the frame of our nature. Those persons commonly possess good spirits who have about them many objects of affection and endearment, as wife, children, kindred or friends. In like manner, the exercise of the benevolent affections is to be considered the first and principal constituent of human happiness. Every act of kindness or of care in the parent to his child; every emotion of the heart in friendship or in love, in public zeal or general humanity, are so many acts of enjoyment and satisfaction. "To the benevolent, the satisfaction of others is a ground of enjoyment; and existence itself in a world that is governed by the wisdom of God, is a blessing." The greatness of that pleasure which is to be derived from the performance of good and generous deeds, can only be known by those who have felt it. 2. Happiness consists in the exercise of our corporeal and mental faculties in the pursuit of some important object.—These labours are of various kinds, and all of them are productive of happiness. They have been reduced by Dr. PALEY to the following,—planning of laws, manufactures, charities, improvements, public works, and the endeavouring, by our interest, address, solicitations and activity, to carry them into effect. "Or," says he, "upon a smaller scale, the procuring maintenance and fortune for our families by a course of industry and application to our callings, which forms and gives motion to the common occupations of life; training up a child, prosecuting a scheme for his future establishment; making ourselves masters of language or science; improving or managing an estate; labouring after a piece of preferment; and, lastly, any engagement, which is innocent, is better than none, as the writing of a book, the building of a house, the laying out of a garden, the digging of a fish-pond—even the raising of a cucumber or a whip." Of all the labours of the field are productive of most pleasure. By exerting the corporeal faculties, they cause the animal juices to flow in a proper manner, and thence conduce to the health of the constitution. At the same time, independent of this, they furnish an agreeable amusement. After having spent a considerable time in the painful exertions of the mind in unfolding a difficult proposition in mathematics or philosophy, or in unravelling the motives and affections of the will, how agreeable is it to relinquish the pursuits of the closet, to betake ourselves to the fields where the sun is gilding every object around us, and there to engage in those labours which occupy the attention of the gardener or of the husbandman. Here, however, I do not speak of the labours of those who are obliged to engage in them for their daily bread. To them the cultivation of the ground is an arduous task. They endure the violent heat of the sun's rays, and they retire in the evening worn out with labour and fatigue. I refer only to the degree of labour which those undergo who are commonly engaged in other pursuits, and who engage in it only as a source of recreation. The exertion of the mental faculties is also a source of pleasurable delight. The pursuit of knowledge to him who is capable of it, opens an inexhaustible store of felicity. The philosopher delights when he discovers truth, and the mathematician when he unravels a difficult proposition. True, indeed, the exertions of the mind may be carried so far as to become the source of distress, by debilitating the mental faculties and impairing the bodily constitution. Every thing is good only when kept within proper bounds. He who engages in the pursuit of knowledge should be attentive, lest he carry his pursuit too far. The exertions of the mental faculties afford happiness of a superior kind, when restrained by prudence or counteracted by engagement in other more trivial employments.

3. Happiness consists in health.—By health, I here mean not merely freedom from bodily distempers, but also that tranquillity, firmness, and alacrity of mind which we call good spirits. This may very properly be included in our notion of health, as depending commonly upon the same causes, and yielding to the same management, as our bodily constitution. That this state of the corporeal and mental frame is conducive to happiness, is a fact that needs no proof. It must be evident to every one whose observation and experience are of any extent, that he who is labouring under any corporeal malady, or who is melancholy, sullen, or dejected, cannot be happy. It was the opinion of Thales the Milesian, "that true happiness consists in enjoying perfect health, a moderate fortune, and in spending a life free from effeminacy and ignorance." That health conduces to happiness is so evident that when we say a person is happy, we often mean that he possesses health and competency. When we compare two person's conditions together, one of whom is sick and the other in health, we may with propriety say, the latter is happy. Is health, then, of such importance in producing happiness?—surely we should reckon no pains, no expence, no self-denial or restraint too much to procure that, which in this sense is the one thing needful. When we are in perfect health and spirits, we feel in ourselves a happiness independent of any outward gratification whatever, and of which we can give no account. I cannot conclude these remarks without taking notice of the happiness to be derived from religion and virtue. "The refined pleasures of a pious mind," says Dr. Blair, "are in many respects superior to the coarse gratifications of sense. They are pleasures which belong to the highest powers and best affections of the soul; whereas the gratifications of sense reside in the lowest regions of our nature. To the one the soul stoops below its native dignity, the other raise it above itself. The one leaves a comfortable, often mortifying remembrance behind them, the other are reviewed with applause and delight. The pleasures of sense resemble a foaming torrent, which, after a disorderly course, speedily runs out, and leaves an empty and offensive channel. But the pleasures of Religion resemble the regular current of a pure river, which enlivens the fields through which it passes, and diffuses verdure and fertility along its banks.—To thee, O Religion! I owe the highest improvement of our nature, and much of the enjoyment of our life. Thou art the support of our virtue and the rest of our souls in this turbulent world. Thou compest the thoughts, Thou calmest the passions. Thou exaltest the heart." "Know then this (with enough for man to know),—Virtue alone is happiness below." FELIX.

Preventive Office,

WHEREAS, the Schooner MARY, of the burthen of eighty tons, or upwards, JOSEPH DILL, now or late Master, is taken and deemed by an Act of the General Assembly, intituled "An Act for the increase of the Revenue of the Province," to be forfeited for violation of the same, and is liable to be seized and brought to condemnation in any Port or Place within this Province:— I do therefore, by virtue of the Authority vested in me by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of New Brunswick, hereby require all and every His Majesty's Justices of the Peace and other Officers and Ministers, and all Persons whatsoever within this Province, to detain, arrest, and secure the said schooner MARY, and forthwith to give information thereof to His Majesty's Attorney General, so that the said schooner MARY, with all her tackle, boats and furniture, may be proceeded against to final condemnation. And I do hereby offer a Reward of TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS, to be paid upon the condemnation of the said schooner MARY, to any Person or Persons who shall detain, arrest, secure and give information of the said schooner MARY, as above required. STEPHEN HUMBERT, Prothonotary.

WINDSOR AND FANCY CHAIRS

THE Subscriber begs leave to offer his sincere thanks to those who have hitherto favoured him with their orders in the Cabinet Making and Upholstery Line; and to inform them and the Public in general, that he will in future have on hand a constant supply of WINDSOR and FANCY CHAIRS, of every description, which he flatters himself he will be enabled to dispose of on the most moderate terms. THOMAS NISBET, Prince Wm. Street, 30th May, 1820.

JOHN MUNRO,

Plaint and Ornamental Plasterer.

BEGS leave to inform the Inhabitants of St. John and its vicinity, that he will still and Plaster as above. Ornaments modelled for cornices or ceilings, by giving in a drawing of the orders.—ALSO, a variety of patterns of friezes, friezes, gosses, leaves, &c. may be seen if required. Outside plastering made to stand weather, on stone, brick, or lath; drawing and tinging, in imitation of stone. From the big experience he has had in the above line of business, he assures those who may please to favour him with their commands, that he will endeavour to give general satisfaction. Orders fit at the Medical Store of Messrs. Walker & Macara, or at the Store of Mr. John Campbell, Water Street, will be punctually attended to. St. John, 6th June, 1820.

TO BE LET,

And immediate possession given: A FARM of LAND, containing one hundred and fifty acres, advantageously situated on the Black River; thirty acres in pasture, ready for immediate cultivation, in Dwelling House, Barn, and Stabling, complete. For further particulars, apply to JOHN DILLMAN, near the Roman Chapel. St. John, May 23, 1820.

J. McNAUGHTON,

White and Black Smith;—Brass and Iron Turner.

Nearly opposite the Store of Messrs. MERRITT & V. HOUSE, in Water Street. RETURNS his sincere Thanks to the Public for their liberal Patronage afforded him since his commencement in business, and solicits a continuation of the same. He continues complete Ship's work of all kinds; repairing Gun Locks, Door Locks, Fire Irons and Grate making Stone Pipes; Bell Hanging; Mill-work, Turning Brass and Iron of every description. He has lately engaged a young man who understands the FARRIERY business well, having had 15 years constant practice in that line, the City of Edinburgh. Black and White Smith's work, executed at the shortest notice on a liberal terms. May 12, 1820.

Assistant Commissary General's Office, St. John, N. B. 30th May, 1820. Flour for His Majesty's Troops, &c. in New Brunswick.

WANTED for the use of His Majesty's Troops in this Garrison, 1000 Barrels of Fine FLOUR, the whole to be delivered at the Commissariat Magazines, at the Lower Cove, in the months of July and August. Flour, the produce of the British American Provinces, will be received, should it be tendered at a price approved of. Tenders will be received for the above, at this Office, until Thursday the 22d June next, at 12 o'clock; no Tender will be noticed, unless accompanied by a letter addressed to the Assistant Commissary General and signed by two responsible persons engaging to become bound with the persons tendering, in the sum of £2000, for the due performance of the Contract. The Contractor and his Sureties will be required to give a Bond of Warranty of the Flour for six months after the delivery, which, together with the Contract, may be seen at this Office. Payment will be made in Cash, upon the delivery of each 500 Barrels, or the whole quantity.

The Subscriber

HEREBY begs leave to make known, that he has removed his Office to the Store on the Wharf, in rear of his House, and fronting on Nelson street. WILLIAM BLACK, St. John, 18th April, 1820.

GALE & COOKE,

OFFER for Sale, an extensive assortment of New and Genuine Garden, Flower, Grass and Fodder SEEDS; Which they warrant genuine, and true to their kinds, suitable to the climate of these Provinces. Also, a few early Fox's Seedling Potatoes, true London Kidney do. A few hundreds of Seedling Asparagus Plants, in prime order, for natural beds. Which, with a general Supply of Groceries and Dry Goods, they offer at reduced prices, at their Store, Market Square. N. B. On Hand, 100 boxes prime Ship Candles, 50 do. do. Moulds, 30 do. do. Sump. Which will be sold cheap for Cash or Country Produce.

FOR SALE,

A few Cases large elegant PIER GLASSES,

Just received by the Ship BARBADOS.—Being a Consignment, they will be sold cheap for Cash. May 30, 1820. G. & W. SEARS.

The Subscribers

Have removed to their New Store, on PETERS' Wharf, where they offer for Sale the following GOODS, upon reasonable terms, viz: FLOUR and CORN, Prime Mess BEEF and PORK, in tierces and barrels, CORK BUTTER in firkins, PAINT and OIL, SOAP and CANDLES, CANNAS and CORDAGE, Port Sherry Vidouia Madeira WINES, in pipes and hhd. JAMES EWING & Co. 26th May, 1820.

John and Peter Sinclair,

Blacksmiths, Horse-Shoers, and Farriers, from Edinburgh.— TAKE this method to acquaint the Inhabitants of St. John, and of the Country in its neighbourhood, that they have commenced their Business in this City, in a shop belonging to Mr. WILLIAM FRASER, at YORK POINT. Having had extensive experience in the several branches of their Trade, in Scotland, especially in the knowledge of DISEASES to which HORSES are in general subject, they flatter themselves that they are able to give ample satisfaction to such Persons as may please to employ them; desiring to pay strict attention to business, and intending to work as cheap as possible, they hope to obtain a share of employment from the Public; as they will be thankful for the smallest favour.—Orders from the country will be punctually attended to. St. John, May 16, 1820. N. B. All sorts of EDGED TOOLS made, and repaired in a Workman-like manner.

SAMUEL RICHEY,

CLOCK AND WATCH MAKER. RESPECTFULLY informs the Public, that he has commenced the above Business in the Shop formerly occupied by Mr. KIRK, on the Street leading from the Market Square to York Point. From having served a regular apprenticeship, and had considerable experience since, he hopes to be patronised. N. B. Jewellery made and repaired, at the shortest notice. St. John, April 25.

PORTLAND BREWERY.

THE SUBSCRIBER thankful for the liberal encouragement he has received since he commenced Business in this City, begs leave to inform his Customers and the Public in general, that he will have in the course of a few days, the following BEERS for Sale, at his BREWERY near the Mill Bridge, viz.— Burton Ale... 2s. 3d. or 10s. 6d. per Dozen, exclusive of Bottles. Mild Do... 1s. 6d. or 7s. 6d. Porter... 1s. 4d. or 6s. 0d. Table Beer... 10d. or 4s. 0d. Also:—VINEGAR at 2s. per gal.—GRAINS, at 7½d per bushel.—and YEAST, 6d per quart. JOHN GODARD. Portland, October 10, 1819.

TAKE NOTICE!

PEW-HOLDERS in St. Andrew's Church, are hereby notified, that their Rents are now due; and those who are in arrears of Rent or Preference Money, are requested to make immediate payment, otherwise their Pews will be forfeited, and the Accounts due put into the hands of an Attorney to collect.—Also, Those persons who hold leases from the Trustees of said Church of certain Lots in the Lower Cove, are hereby informed that, unless their Rents are immediately paid up, they will be sued, without further notice being given. All such payments must be made to JOHN TROSBRO, Esq. Prince William Street, who is appointed for that purpose, by the Trustees and Corporation of the Church. May 9th, 1820.

Administration Notices.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against the Estate of Mrs. ELIZABETH DENON, late of this City deceased, are requested to present them duly attested within three months; and all those indebted are desired to make immediate payment. ELIZABETH KENNEDY, Adm'r. St. John, June 7 1820.

ALL Persons having any just demands against the Estate of NEIL KENNEDY, late of this City, deceased, are requested to render the same, duly attested, within three months from the date hereof; and all Persons indebted, are desired to make immediate payment to ELIZABETH KENNEDY, Adm'r. St. John, June 3, 1820.

ALL Persons having any Demands against the Estate of the Honourable WILLIAM PAGAN, late of this City, Merchant, deceased, are requested to render the same, duly attested, within Eighteen Months from the date hereof; and all Persons indebted to the said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to ROBERT PAGAN, ANDREW S. RITCHIE, Administrators. St. John, New Brunswick, June 18, 1819.

RICHARD SANDS, & Co. Have received by the Willington, from London, Waterloo, and Duke of Wellington, from Liverpool, and Isabella, from Greenock, THEIR usual Supply of GOODS, which they will dispose of low for cash. 3d June, 1820.

To be Sold, A TRACT of LAND, of one hundred acres, situate in Manawagonis Cove, (otherwise called Selden's Cove) in the Parish of Lancaster; Also; one of the ten-acre Lots in the same Parish, and several Lots in Carlton. For further particulars, apply at the Office of E. J. JARVIS. St. John, 2d June, 1820.

Rum, Sugar, Molasses and Cotton Wool, JUST landed from on board Schooner THREE SISTERS, and for Sale cheap for CASH—by McLEOD, ROBERTSON, & Co.

For Sale, THE following four valuable Building Lots, fronting on Casparthen street, near Queen's Square, viz. No. 182, 183, 184, and 185,—being 50 feet front, and 200 feet deep each. For further particulars, apply to HANNAH BELL, 26th May, 1820.

JAMES CRISP, Painter and Glazier, from England. BEGS leave to inform the Public, that he intends carrying on the above Business in the House of Captain WARRER, in Prince William street, near the Armoury. N. B. From the long experience he has had in the above line, he hopes to give general satisfaction to those who may please to favour him with their Commands. St. John, Feb. 22, 1820.

Fashionable Tailor & Habit Maker. J. WAUGH, Prince William Street. BEGS permission to inform the Public that, previous to his leaving England he formed a connexion from whom he will receive the FASHIONS; and he hopes, from his experience as a Master cutter, to merit a share of public patronage. Gentlemen of fashion who may please to honour him with their custom, may rely on having their Clothes made to fit. Young Masters instructed in the "Art of Cutting," at \$5 per Lesson, or \$12 for four Lessons.

Assistant Commissary General's Office, St. John, New Brunswick, 24th May, 1820. SPANISH DOLLARS FOR SALE. TENDERS for Ten Thousand unstamped SPANISH DOLLARS, or any part thereof, will be received at this Office any day (Sunday excepted) between the hours of 10 and 3 o'clock.

To be Sold at Private Sale, LOTS No. 1272, 1274, and 1275, in the City of St. John, the property of Capt. Jacob Smith, of Woodstock. If not disposed of by the Fourth day of July next, they will on that day be Sold at Public Auction. Particulars may be known by applying to Frederickton, Feb. 29, 1820. J. SLASON.

To Let, A HOUSE situated in the Lower Cove, with two large Rooms, four Bed Rooms, Pantry and Cellar Kitchen, &c. For particulars inquire of the Subscriber. NEHEMIAH MERRITT. St. John, May 31, 1820. Valuable Lot, On Tuesday the 20th day of June next, will be Sold by Messrs. CROOKSHANK & JOHNSTON, at Public Auction, without reserve, A LOT of LAND, adjoining the Premises of Robert James, and Asa Jones, 30 feet front on the wharf of Messrs. Pagan & Co. and extending back 38 feet. Terms will be made known at the time of Sale. Also, for the Benefit of whom it may concern, Part of a 10-inch CABLE, cut on board the brig Hope, on her passage from Jamaica to this Port. May 30, 1820.

Vol. III. The Star is published every... WILLIAM REYNOLDS... At their Office, Corner of Church Street, St. John. The price of the STAR is 1 cent in advance, and Country Subscribers must send the money in full. Advertisements—For an Advertisement, the price is 1 cent per line, for each successive insertion.—All above 12 lines, and 1d per line, for each successive insertion.—For an Advertisement, the price is 1 cent per line, for each successive insertion.—All above 12 lines, and 1d per line, for each successive insertion.—PRINTING in general executed on the most liberal terms.—Letters, or Communications, addressed to the Editors, must be accompanied by Post Paid, or they will not be published.—AGENTS—At FREDERICTON, St. Andrew's, MIRMACH, &c. Miniature A PIANO FOR from London D. BROWNE has just received from the Marquis of Breadwood & Sons, Maker of the Princesses; a number of PIANO FORTES, which for Six or Twelve months ago, were sold at a high price. He will have shortly a number of various other Makers, for sale for one month only. A Great variety of Music Books to be sold cheap for Cash. Music Saloon, King Street, St. John, August 25th 1820. Regular Packet betw Digby, and Annetta. THE NEW and FINE FOX, JOHN FOX, has just received from the Marquis of Breadwood & Sons, Maker of the Princesses; a number of PIANO FORTES, which for Six or Twelve months ago, were sold at a high price. He will have shortly a number of various other Makers, for sale for one month only. A Great variety of Music Books to be sold cheap for Cash. Music Saloon, King Street, St. John, August 25th 1820. FREE-STONE CUNNINGHAM & CO. BEG leave to intimate that they have received from the Marquis of Breadwood & Sons, Maker of the Princesses; a number of PIANO FORTES, which for Six or Twelve months ago, were sold at a high price. He will have shortly a number of various other Makers, for sale for one month only. A Great variety of Music Books to be sold cheap for Cash. Music Saloon, King Street, St. John, August 25th 1820. NOTICE BY a Power of Attorney Assignees of Messrs. WINSLOW of London, authorized to settle and receive the late Concern of EDWARD NELSON in this City. This is there persons indebted to the said late Concern, to make immediate payment; and claims to send in their accounts. St. John August, 29, 1820. J. D. has for Sale English Cheese, Hams, Pickled French cabris and other French delicacies from London, received by the Alice from London assortment of British goods, and a variety of Commodities sold very low. SOUSED SAUSAGE For Sale—Apply at S. H. Nelson Street. St. John