

naturally consider themselves the most correct speakers. This well applies to our provincialisms, since in theirs, as a new country, they do not yet exist, though something like them, in this and other notes, is beginning to appear. They are moreover of opinion that a snub-nose is the characteristic feature of an Englishman. This reminds me of an anecdote; a gentleman commenting on Irish Bulls, I asked him 'On dressing, what do you first put on?' 'My *shoes* and stockings, certainly.' 'Good, what next?' 'Why my *coat* and waistcoat, to be sure.' 'Enough, I replied; the two blunders you have just made, should hereafter silence you upon those of the Irish.' Pennsylvanians are also called *Panamites*, and a justice denominated *squire*: it is said of one of these functionaries, that upon requiring the acts of a justice of the peace, he sent the following billet to a neighbouring bookseller, 'Please to send the *Ax* of *Augustus Pease*.'

48. When the Yellow fever last raged in New York, the corporation blocked up all infected places: elevated situations, and well-ventilated streets escaped. It was introduced by the foulness of one of the slips, little basins formed by the wharfs, sometimes large enough to contain twenty vessels. The blacks seldom take it; those of New York and Philadelphia, by officiating during this scourge, accumulated fortunes, which accounts for so many of this color, in those cities, being independent. In burying the dead, it was difficult to procure the aid of whites, two out of three falling victims. A Scotchman, however, for the gratuity of \$20 each remove, undertook this dangerous office. By submerging his clothes in tar, and smoking plentifully, he escaped infection. In this way acquiring a fortune, he returned to his own country. Persians, the cleanliest people in the world, are not subject to the plague, though bordering those countries the greatest sufferers from it.

49. New Harmony, which has made so much noise in England, is on the eastern bank of the river Wabash (*wor-bush*) Indiana, 60 miles above its mouth, subject, however, to fever and ague. It is surrounded by a sylvan country, interspersed with prairies. It was settled in 1814, by a religious society from Germany called Harmonites: who first established themselves at Harmony on Conaquenessing Creek, under the control of George Rapp. Here they erected many buildings, converted the wilderness into a garden; employed themselves in the woollen manufacture, had many mills, and cultivated the vine: being distinguished for industry and skill in their various occupations. In 1824 Robert Owen of New Lanark Scotland, bought the whole for \$190,000, the Harmonites, in number 800 returning to Beaver Creek, or river, and established a community upon his social system. He was joined by 700 others: but discord arising amongst them, it was soon abandoned, and passed into the hands of Mr. Taylor, at a ruinous sacrifice, under whom it is flourishing in small allotments. Racoon skins formerly passed as *cash* in Indiana, but some Yankees, forging these *notes*, by sew-