

appears inanimate, yet this season is not without benefit to the earth, which it waters, fertilizes, and prepares for the reproduction of fruits, plants, and vegetables of every kind.

REGULARITY.

There is in many people, especially in youth, a strange aversion to regularity; a desire to delay what ought to be done immediately in order to do something else, which might as well be done afterwards. Be assured it is of more consequence than you can conceive, to get the better of this idle procrastinating spirit, and to acquire habits of constancy and steadiness, even in the most trifling matters; without them there can be no regularity or consistency of action or character, no dependence on your best intentions, which a sudden humour may attempt to lay aside for a time, and which a thousand unforeseen accidents will afterwards render it more and more difficult to execute: no one can say what important consequences may follow a neglect of this kind. —Mrs. Chapone.

Knowledge leads to Comfort.—When a boy has got hold of what we call the rudiments of learning, he has possessed himself of the most useful tools and machines which exist in the world. He has got the means of doing that with extreme ease, which, without these tools, is done only with extreme labour. He has earned the time which, if rightly employed, will elevate his condition. Just so it is with all tools and machines for diminishing bodily exertion. They give us the means of doing that with comparative ease, which, without them can only be done with extreme drudgery.—They set at liberty a great quantity of mere animal power which, having then leisure to unite with mental power, produces ingenious and skilful workmen in every trade.—But they do more than this. They diminish human suffering—they improve the health—they increase the term of life—they render all occupations less painful and laborious; and by doing all this, they elevate men in the scale of existence.

Roman Ruins near Algiers.—About the distance of 14 miles from Algiers, on the side of the river Aratch, there are still visible the ruinous traces of a Roman city, which is supposed to have been the Rustonium mentioned by Ptolemy, and named Rusucrum by other geographers. Here, scarcely emerging from brushwood and brambles, there are fragments of walls, vaults, porticoes and arches, and trunks of Columns, bits of Etrurian pottery, and sprinklings of mosaic pavement. There are traces also of a jetty which sheltered the shipping. To judge by its remains Rustonium must have been a mile in length, and about half as broad. The Emperor Claudius bestowed upon it the privileges of a Roman city; but what a shadow is human existence! the hyena now

laughs at the fallen glory of Rustonium, and the tortoise crawls over its tessellated floors.—Campbell's Letter in the New Monthly.

PHILOSOPHICAL EXPERIMENT.—Fresh water may be extracted from salt water by the following simple process:—A common hoghead is provided with a false bottom, about three or four inches above the lower head. This falsebottom is perforated with a number of holes, and over them a filter of flannel. The barrel is then nearly filled with the finest sand beat down very hard; a tube, communicating with the space between the two bottoms; is extended to a convenient height above the top of the barrel. The sea water is poured into this tube; and pressing every way, according to its altitudes, endeavours to force its way through the sand to the top of the barrel, from whence by this mode of filtration, it is drawn off fresh and fit for use. Any other filter will do as well as flannel, which will stop the sand, and admit the water. The saline particles being heavier, and perhaps, differently formed, meet with obstructions from the sand and are left behind!—N. E. Farmer.

PIOUS WOMEN.—They are the women who bless, dignity, and truly adorn society. The painter, indeed does not make his fortune by their sitting to him; the jeweller is neither brought into vogue, by furnishing their diamonds, nor undone for not being paid for them; the prosperity of the milliner does not depend on affixing their name to a cap or collar; the poet does not celebrate them, the novelist does not dictate to them—but they possess the affection of their husbands, the attachment of their children, the esteem of the wise and good, and above all, they possess His favor whom to know is life eternal!—Hannah More.

AFRICAN SCHOOL.—His Excellency, the Lieutenant Governor, the Lord Bishop, the Chief Justice, and other gentlemen, proceeded about two o'clock to the Examination of the African School which has recently been Established, and which promises to be of great benefit to the Colored Population of Halifax, whose Education hitherto has been much neglected.

As His Excellency entered the School-Room, the Scholars sang the National Anthem of "God save the King," with two additional stanzas, one commemorative of Emancipation, the other of the Founders of the School. The Scholars were then examined in orthography and reading, and their proficiency gave much satisfaction and pleasure to all who were present. The answers returned by the children on their being questioned on what they had read, manifested great aptness for learning, and intellect capable of much improvement. In their writing and ciphering books there were some good specimens of penmanship. The female children exhibited also some very neat specimens of needlework, which were viewed with interest.

When the present state of the children is compared with what it was at the opening of the school in January, the contrast is most striking, the improvement in the appearance of the children very remarkable. The zeal, attention, and diligence bestowed upon this new institution by those who have had the superintendance and management of it, have been unremitting, and merit the warmest thanks and praise

of the friends of order and education. His Excellency was pleased to express himself highly gratified with the school, and the prospect of usefulness it held forth to the coloured population of Halifax.—TIMES.

Militia Appointments.—Captain John Slayter to be Major, vice Richardson, promoted; 1st Lieut. Edward Lawson, to be Captain vice Slayter, and Captain James G. Boggs, to be Adjutant, vice Slayter.—Gazette.

Levee.—His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor will hold a Levee at Government House, on Saturday next, the 28th instant, at 2 o'clock, being the Anniversary of His Majesty's Birth.

MARRIED.

On Saturday, the 21st inst. by the Rev. F. Uniacke, Mr. Marke Lambert, to Miss Mary Anne Smith, of St. George's Parish.

On Saturday Evening last, by the Rev. James Mackintosh, Mr. Alexander M'Donald, Merchant, to Miss Ellen Wilson, both of this Town.

Alexander Wilson,
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Respectfully announces to the public, that he has taken the store.

No. 10, Sackville Street (near Loveland's corner) where he will manufacture and keep constantly on hand a supply of Liquid and Paste Blacking, which, with the greatest confidence he undertakes to warrant equal in every respect to any ever offered in the Market: he trusts the superiority of the article will ensure that share of patronage he humbly solicits.—Wholesale dealers supplied on liberal terms. Each label is subscribed with the Manufacturers name.

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.

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May 27.

REMOVAL.

The Subscriber has removed his Printing Establishment to the building north of M'Donald's Tobacco Manufactory, and nearly opposite Bauer's wharf—where all kinds of JOB PRINTING, will be executed at the shortest notice. He hopes by punctuality, and moderate charges, to merit a further share of public patronage.
H. W. BLACKADAR
April 15, 1836.

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