

POETRY.

THE PROGRESS OF NOVEMBER.

BY A LADY.

[Taken from the Rev. Charles Moore's Treatise on Suicide.]

Now yellow Autumn's leafy ruins lie
In faded splendour on the desert plain;
Far from the noise of madd'ning crowds I fly
To wake in solitude the mystic strain:
A theme of import high I dare to sing,
While fate impels my hand to strike the trembling string
Bright on my harp the meteors gleam,
As glancing through the night they shine;
Now the winds howl, the ravens scream,
And yelling ghosts the chorus join:
Chimeras dire, from Fancy's deepest hell,
Fly o'er you hallow'd tower, and toll the passing bell.

November bears the dismal sound,
As slow advancing from the pole,
He leads the months their wintry round:
The blackning clouds attendant roll,
Where frowns a giant-band, the sons of care,
Dark thoughts, presages fell, and comfortless despair.

O'er Britain's isle they spread their wings,
And shades of death dismay the land;
November wide his mantle flings,
And lifting high his vengeful hand,
Hurls down the daemon spleen; with pow'rs combin'd
To check the springs of life, and crush th' effectiv'd
mind.

Thus drear dominion he maintains,
Beneath a cold inclement sky;
While noxious fogs and drizzling rains
On Nature's sick'ning bosom lie:
The opening rose of youth untimely fades,
And hope's fair friendly light beams dimly through the
shades.

Now prowls abroad the ghastly fiend,
"Fell Suicide," whom Phrenzy bore;
His brows with writhing serpents twin'd,
His mantle steep in human gore:
The livid flames around his eye-balls play,
Stern Horror stalks before, and Death pursues his way.

Hark! is not that the fatal stroke?—
See, where the bleeding victim lies!
The bonds of social feeling broke,
Dismay'd, the frantic spirit flies:
Creation starts, and shrinking Nature views,
Appall'd, the blow which Heaven's first right subdues.

Behold, the weight of woes combin'd
A "woman" has the power to scorn,
Her infant race to shame consign'd,
A name disgrac'd, a fortune torn,
She meets resolv'd; and combating despair,
Supports alone the ill a "coward" durst not share.

On languor, luxury, and pride,
The subtle fiend employs his spell;
Where selfish sordid passions hide,
Where weak impatient spirits dwell,
Where thought oppressive from itself would fly,
And seek relief from time, in dark eternity.

Far from the scenes of guilty death
My wearied spirit seeks for rest,—
Why sudden stops my struggling breath?
Why throbs so strong my aching breast?
Hark! sounds of horror sweep the troubled glade,
Far, on a whirlwind borne, the fatal man is fled

I watch'd his flight, and saw him bear
To Saturn's orb the sullen band;
There winter cheers the ling'ring year,
And gloom eternal shades the land:
On a lone rock, far in a stormy main,
In cheerless prison pent, I heard the ghosts complain.

Some pow'r unseen denies my verse
The hallow'd veil of fate to rend,
Now sudden blasts the sounds disperse,
And Fancy's inspirations end:
While rushing winds in wild discordance jar,
And Winter calls the storms around his icy car.

THE JOURNAL.

FALL FLOODS.—The frequent and heavy rains, which have fallen for some time past, have raised the Rivers to a height which is unusual at this season

of the year; in consequence of which great quantities of hay have been carried away, or damaged.

A Gentleman from Queen's County, yesterday informed us, that in coming down the River he saw many stacks of hay, on the "Mistake," and on Grassy Islands, standing immersed several feet in the water, and the River had been $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet higher than it was at the time of his passing. From this circumstance it is evident, that the low Marshes through the country have been inundated, and that much loss of hay will be occasioned. This is more especially to be regretted, as the loss is likely to fall heaviest upon those who are least able to bear it, the poorer farmers being generally the persons who depend most upon the low wild Marshes. At Indian Town the water was so high as to cover the ends of the wharves. The rain of yesterday and the night previous, will check the falling of the Rivers, and will probably raise them higher than they had previously been.—City Gazette.

MEETING OF THE LEGISLATURE.—His Honor the President, by Proclamation, has summoned the General Assembly of this Province, to meet at Fredericton on the second Tuesday in January next, for the dispatch of business.

TRIAL OF PIRATES.—His Honor the President, has ordered a Court to be held at Fredericton, on Tuesday next the 24th inst. for the trial of Piracy and other offences committed on the High Seas, by virtue of His Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom, dated at Westminster, the 11th April, 1829.

The report copied from the New York Mercantile Advertiser, that the British and French had taken possession of the forts upon the Dardanelles, and that the British fleet had passed through into the Black Sea, has, in our view, the appearance of improbability.

MICKMAC GRAMMAR.—A Mr. Thomas Irwin, of Rollo Bay, Prince Edward Island, has lately sent to the Editor of the Free Press, in Halifax, a manuscript copy of a Grammar of the Mickmac Language, compiled by himself. He says, "It is a shame that so fine a language should be so little known where it is spoken;—a language that rivals and sometimes exceeds the languages of Greece and Rome." And he requests the Editor, after having read the Grammar, to make extracts from some of the most interesting parts for his paper, and to accompany them with his own remarks. Accordingly the Editor in two succeeding numbers of his paper has called the attention of the people of Nova-Scotia to the subject. The object intended, is to bring the present state of the Indians before the notice of the public, that more effectual means than any previously resorted to may be devised, for the improvement of their condition, and the cultivation of their minds. We are not aware, whether or not Mr. Irwin has invented characters for the purpose of expressing the Indian sounds; but if he has, it may throw some difficulty in the way of publishing parts of the Grammar in a News Paper. With a view of improving the condition of the Indians, the Legislature of Nova-Scotia, at their last Session, passed an Act, to prevent any white person from selling rum to an Indian. This Law if faithfully carried into effect, will greatly conduce to their improvement in every respect. Rum has been the bane of Indians, as well as of many white men, and until the pernicious habit of drinking ardent spirits be broken off, no general improvement can be expected. The same Act, provides also for the children of Indians to be sent to English Schools and instructed gratis. This opening if duly improved, must in due time have a favourable effect upon the character and morals of the Indians. We understand that the Law alluded to, was passed in consequence of the repeated application of CHARLES GLOBE, a sober, decent, intelligent Indian, who resides . . . and cultivates land on the Liverpool road, about twelve miles from Annapolis. He has two sons, and he has lately told us, that he intends as soon as possible to send one or both of them to an English School. We trust the Legislature of this Province at their coming Session, will take the condition of the Indians into their consideration.

The Transports, with the 81st Regiment, for Bermuda, (after being detained by the weather for upwards of a week,) sailed on Sunday last, together with a number of other vessels, among which were—ship Hugh Johnston, for Liverpool, Lark, Lancaster; Minerva, Plymouth; brig Hyllus, Wexford; Hannah, Chanco, Billow, and Hiram, Jamaica; Bethiah, Boston, &c.—The wind at the time was from the North West; but as it has blown fresh from South West since yesterday morning, accompanied to-day with rain, we fear they have got no great distance yet.—We understand that the Pilots are to conduct the Transports clear of the Bay. Observer.

Collect for the twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; do readily, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully, we may obtain effectually, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SHORTLY WILL BE PUBLISHED,

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THE SAINT JOHN ALMANAC,

OR NEW-BRUNSWICK FARMERS' CALENDAR,

For 1830.

VAST numbers of Almanacs have annually been imported from the United States, which although they contain some useful matter, yet, being calculated for a different Meridian, are not found applicable to many important purposes. In compliance with the suggestions of a number of persons, who have expressed their regret that a necessity for such importations should be thought to exist; and with a view to supersede the idea of such necessity, and to contribute in part towards rendering the Province independent of foreign supplies of that article, the present work has been undertaken.

Particular care has been taken in calculating the Astronomical Tables for the Meridian of SAINT JOHN: and it is thought that such a degree of accuracy has been attained, as will entitle them to confidence, and render them generally useful.

To the improvement of our rural and domestic concerns also, such a degree of attention has been given, as will it is hoped, obtain the approbation and patronage of the Agricultural community, and of the public generally. Oct. 7.

MARRIED,

On Tuesday the 10th inst. by the Rev. B. G. GRAY, DANIEL AYMAR, Esq. of Eastport, to MARY, second daughter of Mr. Jeremiah Drake, of this City.

At Baltimore, on the 3d instant, by the most Rev. James Whitfield, Archbishop of Baltimore, Jerome Napoleon Bonaparte, to Susan Mary, only daughter of the late Benjamin Williams, of that City.

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