

## POETRY

## THE INDIAN GIRL.

She sat alone beside her hearth—  
For many nights alone;  
She slept not on the pleasant couch  
Where fragrant herbs were strewn.

At first she bound her raven hair  
With feather and with shell;  
But then she hoped; at length, like  
night,  
Around her neck it fell.

They saw her wandering mid the woods,  
Lone, with the cheerless dawn;  
And then they said, 'Can this be her  
We called 'The Startled Fawn'?

Her heart was in her large sad eyes,  
Half sunshine and half shade;  
And love, as love first springs to life,  
Of every thing afraid.

The red leaf far more heavily  
Fell down to autumn earth  
Than her light feet—which seemed to  
move  
To music and to mirth.

With the light feet of early youth,  
What hopes and joys depart!  
Ah! nothing like the heavy step  
Betrays the heavy heart.

It is a usual history  
That Indian girl could tell;  
Fate sets apart one common doom  
For all who love too well.

The proud—the shy—the sensitive,—  
Life has not many such;  
They dearly buy their happiness,  
By feeling it too much.

A stranger to her forest home,  
That fair young stranger came;  
They raised for him the funeral song—  
For him the funeral flame.

Love sprang from pity,—and her arms  
Around his arms she threw;  
She told her father, 'If he dies,  
Your daughter dieth too.'

For her sweet sake they set him free—  
He lingered at her side;  
And many a native song yet tells  
Of that pale stranger's bride.

Two years have past how much two  
years  
Have taken in their flight!  
They've taken from the lip its smile,  
And from the eye its light.

Poor child! she was a child in years—  
So timid and so young;  
With what a fond and earnest faith  
To desperate hope she clung!

His eyes grew cold—his voice grew  
strange—  
They only grew more dear,  
She served him meekly, anxiously,  
With love—half faith—half fear.

And can a fond and faithful heart  
Be worthless in those eyes  
For which it beats?—Ah! wo to those  
Who such a heart despise.

Poor child; what lonely days she pass'd,  
With nothing to recall  
But bitter taunts, and careless words,  
And looks more cold than all.

Alas! for love that sits alone,  
Forsaken, and yet fond:  
The grief that sits beside the hearth,  
Life has no grief beyond.

He left her, but she followed him—  
She thought he could not bear  
When she had left her home for him,  
To look on her despair.

Adown the strange and mighty stream  
She took her lonely way;  
The stars at night her pilots were,  
As was the sun by day.

Yet mournfully—how mournfully!—  
The Indian look'd behind,  
When the last sound of voice or step  
Died on the midnight wind.

Yet still adown the gloomy stream  
She plied her weary oar:  
Her husband—he had left their home,  
And it was home no more.

She found him—but she found in vain,  
He spurned her from his side;  
He said her brow was all too dark,  
For her to be his bride.

She grasped his hands,—her own was  
cold,—  
And silent turned away.  
As she had not a tear to shed,  
and not a word to say.

And pale as death she reached her  
boat,  
And guided it along;  
With broken voice she strove to raise  
A melancholy song.

None watched the lonely Indian girl,—  
She pass'd unmark'd of all,  
Until they saw her slight canoe  
Approach the mighty Fall!

Upright, within that slender boat  
They saw the pale girl stand,  
Her dark hair is rearing far behind—  
Upraised her desperate hand.

The air is filled with shriek and shout  
They call, but call in vain;  
The boat amid the waters dash'd—  
'Twas never seen again!

## A TRIFLING EXCEPTION.

In 1643, St. Preuil, the governor of Amiens, who depended much on a stratagem that he had conceived for seizing upon Arras, was anxious to engage a soldier named Courcelles to execute it. "I have made a choice of you," said he to him one day, "as the most prudent soldier that I know, for a blow that will make your fortune. The business is to surprise Arras; and hear how I have planned it. You shall disguise yourself as a peasant, and go and sell fruit in the place. After you have done this some time, you must quarrel with some person, and kill him with a poniard. You must suffer yourself to be taken, you will be tried on the spot, and be condemned to be hanged. You know the custom of Arras is to have their executions out of the city. It is on this circumstance that my design depends. I will place an ambuscade near the gate, by which you shall be brought out. My people will render themselves masters of those who shall come out who belong to the spectacle. I will march on the instant to their assistance, and make myself master of the place; which as soon as I am, I shall rescue you. This is my project; what do you say to it?" "It is fine," replied Courcelles "but the thing deserves consideration." "It does," said St. Preuil: "think of it, and to-morrow let me have your resolution." The next day Courcelles waited on his commander. "Well, my brave fellow," said St. Preuil, "what do you think of my project now?" "Sir," replied Courcelles, "it is admirable; only I should like that you gave me the command of the ambuscade, and take yourself the basket of fruit."

H.M.S. Herald, 26, Capt. J. Nais, arrived at Sydney, New South Wales, from New Zealand, March 26. We regret to state that his excellency Capt. Hobson, R.N., Lieut. Governor of New Zealand, received a violent paralytic stroke on board this ship at Waimatu, on the 1st of March, about nine o'clock in the forenoon; but under the active treatment of Surgeon Lane, M.D., his excellency recovered rapidly, and is now residing at Waimata. Dr. Lane attended his excellency to the last moment, and we have been assured that when the Herald left Waimata on the 11th of March his excellency was walking about, and can use a stick in his right hand. It was his excellency's right side which was affected.—*Sydney Herald, March 27.*

## Notices

CONCEPTION BAY PACKETS  
St John's and Harbor Grace Packets

THE EXPRESS Packet being now completed, having undergone such alterations and improvements in her accommodations, and otherwise, as the safety, comfort and convenience of Passengers can possibly require or experience suggest, a careful and experienced Master having also been engaged, will forthwith resume her usual Trips across the BAY, leaving Harbor Grace on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and FRIDAY Mornings at 9 o'clock, and Forugal Cove on the following days.

FARES.  
Ordinary Passengers ..... 7s. 6d.  
Servants & Children ..... 5s.  
Single Letters ..... 6d.  
Double Do. .... 1s.  
and Packages in proportion  
All Letters and Packages will be carefully attended to; but no accounts can be kept or Postages or Passages, nor will the Proprietors be responsible for any Specie to other monies sent by this conveyance  
ANDREW DRYSDALE,  
Agent, HARBOUR GRACE  
PERCHARD & BOAG,  
Agents, St. John's  
Harbour Grace, May 4, 1839

Nora Creina  
Packet-Boat between Carbonear and Portugal Cove.

JAMES DOYLE, in returning his best thanks to the Public for the patronage and support he has uniformly received, begs to solicit a continuance of the same favours.  
The NORA CREINA will, until further notice, start from Carbonear on the mornings of MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, positively at 9 o'clock; and the Packet Man will leave St. John's on the Mornings of TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY, at 9 o'clock in order that the Boat may sail from the cove at 12 o'clock on each of those days.

TERMS.  
Ladies & Gentlemen ..... 7s. 6d.  
Other Persons, from 5s. to 3s. 6d.  
Single Letters.  
Double do.  
And Packages in proportion  
N.B.—JAMES DOYLE will hold himself accountable for all LETTERS and ACKNOWLEDGMENTS given him.  
Carbonear, June, 1836.

## THE ST. PATRICK

EDMOND PHELAN, begs most respectfully to acquaint the Public that he has purchased a new and commodious Boat, which at a considerable expence, he has fitted out, to ply between CARBONEAR, and PORTUGAL COVE, as a PACKETS BOAT; having two cabins, (part of the after-cabin adapted for Ladies, with two sleeping berths separated from the rest). The fore-cabin is conveniently fitted up for Gentlemen with sleeping-berths, which will the trusts give every satisfaction. He now begs to solicit the patronage of this respectable community; and he assures them it will be his utmost endeavour to give them very gratification possible.

The St. PATRICK will leave CARBONEAR for the COVE, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, at 9 o'clock in the Morning and the COVE at 12 o'clock, on Mondays Wednesdays, and Fridays, the Packet Man leaving St. John's at 8 o'clock on those Mornings.

TERMS.  
After Cabin Passengers 7s. 6d.  
Fore ditto, ditto, 5s.  
Letters, Single 6d.  
Double, Do. 1s.  
Parcels in proportion to their size of weight.  
The owner will not be accountable for any Specie.

N.B.—Letters for St. John's, &c., &c. received at his House in Carbonear, and in St. John's for Carbonear, &c. at Mr. Patrick Kieley's (Newfoundland Tavern) and at Mr. John Cruet's.  
Carbonear,  
June 4, 1838.

TO BE LET  
On Building Lease, for a Term of Years.

A PIECE of GROUND, situated on the North side of the Street, bounded on EAST by the House of the late captain STARR, and on the east by the Subscriber's.

MARY TAYLOR,  
Widow  
Carbonear.

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Of Various kinds For Sale at the Office of this paper.

## PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency HENRY PRESCOTT, Esquire, Companion of the Most Honourable Military Order of the Bath, Governor (L.S.) of the Bath, Governor Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c.

WHEREAS on FRIDAY the 15th of this instant MAY, a most atrocious and diabolical outrage was committed by Four Men, at present unknown on the Person of

## MR. HRMAN LOTT,

of St. John's, who was then on his way from Carbonear to Harbor Grace in this Island. And whereas it is no less especially necessary to the ends of Justice than essential to the protection and safety of the lives of all Her Majesty's subjects, that the perpetrators of this daring outrage should be detected and brought to punishment: I do therefore call upon all Her Majesty's faithful subjects to aid and assist Her Majesty's officers in discovering and apprehending the Persons concerned in perpetrating the aforesaid crime; and for the speedy detection of whom I do hereby offer a Reward of

## £300 Sterling

To any Person or Persons (except the Person or Persons who actually committed the said outrage,) who shall give such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of the Offenders.—And I do also promise a FREE PARDON to the Person or Persons who (being an accomplice or accomplices, but not the actual perpetrators of the said crime) shall give such information as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal at the Government House at St. John's in the aforesaid Island, the 18th day of May, in the Third year of Her Majesty's Reign, and in the Year of Our Lord, 1840.

By His Excellency's Command,  
JAMES CROWDY, Sec'y.

## New Goods.

Just Received,  
EX-ANN, FROM BRISTOL  
An Extensive Assortment of

MANUFACTURED  
Dry Goods,

50 Tons SALT  
10 Tons Best COALS.

And, ex-VFTO, from  
New York,

160 Barrels Flour  
45 Barrels American New Pork  
5 Barrels Primeew Beef  
Spirits Turpentine  
Bright Varnish, Tar, &c.

Offering at Low Rates for Cash

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THORNE, HOOPER & Co.  
Harbor Grace,  
April 29, 1840.

## FOR SALE

BY

Ridley, Harrison & Co.

25 Puns. High Proof

## RUM,

Of fine flavor,  
JUST IMPORTED  
By the Atalanta from  
Liverpool.  
Harbor Grace,  
June 10, 1840.