

POETRY

POLLIO

Sicilian muses, leave the rural lay,
A nobler subject claims our song to-day:
The sylvan scenes where shepherds love
to rove,
The lowly tamarisks and the leavy grove
Delight not all; if these be now our
theme
The woods must worthy of the consul
seem.
For now, behold, the latest days draw
nigh!
Behold fulfilled the Cumean Prophe-
cies!
The course of ages now begins again;
The Virgin comes and Saturn's golden
reign:
Now a new prophecy from heaven de-
scends
Through every region spreads, and o'er
the worlds extends.
Thou chaste Lucina aid the heavenly
birth:
Assist the child, ordained to bless the
earth;
From whom the iron race of men re-
cedes
And springs another, formed for gentler
deeds.
Thine own Apollo reigns; his glorious ray
Now lights the earth with intellectual
day.
To thee, oh, Pollio! be this verse ad-
dressed.
To thee, the glory of thine age confessed.
The important months begin, nor long
delay
To usher in the auspicious natal day.
Whatever traces of our crimes remain
Shall thy just rule in narrower bounds
restrain.
No longer vice her crest triumphant rear,
Nor fill the nations with perpetual fear.
Ere yet incursed in an earthy shell,
His spirit with the immortal gods shall
dwell,
And mingled with the heavenly powers,
behold
The shades of Heroes once of earthly
mould;
And thence to bless the expectant world
repair,
And rule the nations with a father's care,
To thee, oh child! the earth untill'd
shall bring,
To grace thy birth, her early offering;
With colucasio gay acanthus joined,
And bacca sweet with verdant ivy twi-
ned,
Where smiling spring around thy cradle
showers
In sweet profusion, of all her fairest flow-
ers.
The goats there udders to the fold shall
bear
With milk distent, nor herds the lion
fear
The serpent and the poisonous weed shall
die,
And wild amomum spring abundantly.
When dawns thy youth, and first the
glowing page
With deeds of Heroes shall thy thoughts
engage,
And love of virtue all thy sole inflame
With emulation of the Father's fame:
Then o'er the fields shall wave the golden
corn,
And purple grapes in clusters deck the
throne,
While from the knotted oak, fast oozing
through,
The fragrant honey shall distil like dew
Yet shall more trace of former times re-
main;
The sea-man still shall tempt the stormy
main;
And cities rise, with walls encompassed
round;
And still ploughshare make the furrowed
ground;
Another Tiphys, in these days, appear;
Another Argo chosen heroes bear;
And other wars a future race employed;
And great Achilles fall before another
Troy.
But when ripe years proclaim thee man,
shall peace
Her reign extend, and wars and crimes
shall cease.
The sailor shall forsake the dangerous
main,
Nor various products be exchanged for
gain,
But every land shall yield an ample
store
And seek supplies from foreign climes no
more.
No harrow now the fertile earth shall
tear.
The vine unpruned her clustering fruit
shall bear;
The swain his oxen from the yoke shall
free;
The dyer's curious art forgotten be,
But as the ram shall in the meadows
lie,
The lutum shall a golden tint supply,
And buzret lend his fleece a purple die,

And sandyx shall the gray ing iambs
adorn
With glowing crimson like the ruddy
morn.

Come happy days, by oracles foretold.
Blest ages! promised by the Fates of
old!

The hour draws near; oh! hasten to re-
ceive
Those mighty honours Gods alone can
give:

To thee the powers shall all propitious
prove,
Their darling offsprings thou, the great
increase of Jove!

See heaven's blue vault now waving to
and fro!
Behold convulsed the trembling earth
below!

The mountains totters! heaves the
azure main!
There ponderous weight unequal to sus-
tain.

On thee they call; 'tis nature's general
voice:
Thy birth shall all restore and bid the
world rejoice.

Though long my life, oh! yet, ye powers
divine,
A little space extend this span of nine.
Should Pan himself with me in verce
contend,
The Arcadian Judge would soon the
contest end,

And Pan himself with secret envy pine,
To find his strains so far surpassed by
mine.

Now little child, with infant laughter
sweet,
Whene'er she comes, thy mother learn
to greet:

Extend thine arms, impatient of delay;
Thy early love shall all her pains repay,
Who loves not those from whom his life
he drew,

Nor seeks to please, the powers incensed
shall view,
Unworthy deemed, on him no favours
shed,

Nor God his board, nor Goddess bliss
his bed.
Halifax, 1838.

[It may be desirable, for some readers,
to attach an explanatory remark to the
above lines. They may be called a pa-
raphrase of one of Virgil's Eclogues, en-
titled Pollio. This Eclogue (pastoral
poem) was taken from a Sybilline prop-
hecy, in which the peaceful glories of a
future period were foretold. Pope, in
the notes of his "Messiah," places por-
tions of the Eclogue, parallel with ex-
tracts from Isaiah (in which the prophet
vividly describes the coming of the Savi-
our) for the purpose of showing the sim-
ilarity of the thoughts, and the superi-
ority of the true Prophet, over the Poet.
--Novascotian]

"BE QUIET--DO: I'LL CALL MY
MOTHER!"

As I was sitting in a wood,
Under an oak-tree's leafy cover,
Musing in pleasant solitude,
Who should come by but John my
lover!

He pressed my hand, and kissed my
cheek:
Then warmer growing kissed the other;
While I exclaimed, and strove to shriek,
"Be quiet--do! I'll call my mother!"

He saw my anger was sincere,
And lovingly began to chide me;
And, wiping from my cheek the tear,
He sat him on the grass beside me,
He feigned such pretty, amorous woe,
Breathed such sweet vows one after
other

I could but smile while whispering low,
"Be quiet--do! I'll call my mo-
ther!"

He talked so long, and talked so well,
And swore he meant not to deceive
me,
I fet more grief than can tell,
When with a kiss he rose to leave me,
"Oh, John!" said I, "and must thou
go!"

I love thee better than all other!
There is no need to hurry so,
I never meant to tell my mother!

Remarkable Law Case.--At
the Yorkshire assizes, a man
named William Smith pleaded
guilty to forging a bill of exchange
for the payment of sixty pounds.
The Hon. Mr. Wortley who was
counsel for the prisoner, said he
hoped his Lordship (Serjeant At-
cherley, who was presiding for
Mr. Justice Coleridge) would al-
low the prisoner to retract his plea,
because the objection he was a-
bout to make must by law be

made before pleading. The in-
dictment charged the offence as
having been in the reign of his
late Majesty, and concluded that
it was "against the peace of our
sovereign Lady the Queen, her
Crown, and dignity." He there-
fore submitted that the indictment
was bad, and begged to put in his
demurrer. The learned Serjeant
said he would leave the case at
present, and consult the Judges on
the point. On the following day
Smith was again placed at the bar,
when Mr. Wortley renewed his
application, and Mr. Hoggins was
heard in reply. Mr. Justice Cole-
ridge admitted Mr. Wortley's de-
murrer, and the prisoner, who be-
fore had pleaded guilty, was imme-
diately discharged.

North Eastern Boundary.--The
State of Maine is taking active
measures, so far as its constitu-
tional sphere extends, to carry into
effect the public sentiment of the
State with regard to the north
Eastern Boundary. The Land
Agents of Maine and Massa-
chusetts are about commencing
operation on a State Road laid out
some years since, and partly made.
It is now to be carried on to the
Aroostook river, within the dis-
puted territory. Dr. Ezekiel Hol-
mes, the Editor of the Maine
Farmer, has been appointed by
the Board of Internal Improve-
ments to make an agricultural
survey of the townships lying on
and near the Aroostook river and
the new state Road.--Providence
Courier.

Acquaintance--Never say "How is
your wife, your husband your mother,
your grandfather?" &c. but "How is
Mr. or Mrs. ---, Lord or Lady ---?"
Two of the strangest of offenders against
this rule were Nollekens the Sculptor,
and Delpini the clown. Nollekens in-
variably asked George III, when a sitting
commenced, how his "wife and family"
were doing? and Delpini addressed the
late Duke of York, in the hope of induc-
ing him to intercede with Sheridan for
the payment of his salary: "Care, if he
no pay me soon, I shall be put in your
papa's Bench," meaning the King's Bench
Prison.

IMPORTANT RESULTS FROM THE ATLANTIC
STEAM-NAVIGATION
The success which has attended the
first attempts to establish regular steam
packets between England and New York,
must shortly be productive of immense
advantage to both hemispheres in general,
and to Great Britain in particular. It
no other country in the world have
engineers arrived at such perfection in
the construction of engines and boilers,
and it is not at all improbable that they
will enjoy a monopoly in that business,
besides being the means of securing to
English steamers a priority in the packet
lines. The accidents which have so
frequently occurred on board of American
steam vessels, demonstrate that
American artisans cannot compete with
English in the construction of the
machinery, and public confidence once
lost on a question of such vital import-
ance as the preservation of human life,
will not soon be regained. The steam
frigate *Fulton*, recently finished at the
Navy yard in Washington, has turned
out a complete failure and leaves little
room to doubt the absence of that
practical knowledge in the Navy depart-
ment of the United States, which is
indispensable to the successful modelling
and fitting up of such vessels.

We hope the attention of the Govern-
ment will be drawn to the subject of
Steam navigation between England and
all her Provinces and Colonial posses-
sions, which will cement the bond of
union more closely as the means of
communication becomes more frequent,
and time and space are annihilated, to a
certain extent.

Miss ANGELA BURDETT.--A report has
prevailed for the last few days that Miss
Angela Burdett, who has taken the name
of Coutts, has done so rather premature-
ly. It is said that the late Duchess of
St. Alban's neglected to make a settle-
ment of her property perviously to her
marriage, and that, consequently, the
Duke of St. Alban's, notwithstanding any
will which the Duchess may have made,
is legally entitled to the enormous wealth
bequeathed to Miss Burdett.--Bath
Post.

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 accom-
modations, and otherwise, as the safety, com-
fort and convenience of Passengers can possi-
bly require or experience suggest, a care-
ful and experienced Master having also been
engaged, will forthwith resume her usual
Trips across the BAY, leaving Harbour
Grace on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, and
FRIDAY Mornings at 9 o'Clock, and Por-
tugal 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 careful-
ly attended to; but no accounts can be
kept or Postages or Passages, nor will the
Proprietors be responsible for any Specie of
other monies sent by this conveyance.
ANDREW DRYSDALE,
Agent, HARBOUR GRACE
PERCHARD & BOAG,
Agents, St. JOHN'S
Harbour Grace, May 4, 1835

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 fa-
vours.

The NORA CREINA will, until further no-
tice, start from Carbonear on the mornings
of MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, posi-
tively 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 PACKAGES given him.
Carbonear, June, 1836.

THE ST. PATRICK

EDMOND PHELAN, begs most respect-
fully to acquaint the Public, that he
has purchased a new and commodious Boat
which at a considerable expence, he has fit-
ted out, to ply between CARBONEAR
and PORTUGAL COVE, as a PACKET-
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 Gentle-
men with sleeping-berths, which will
he trusts give every satisfaction. He now
begs to solicit the patronage of this respect-
able community; and he assures them it
will be his utmost endeavour to give them
every 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 abin Passengers 7s. 6d.
Fore ditto, ditto 5s.
Letters, Single 6d
Double, Do. 1s.
Parcels in proportion to their size or
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,
Kielty's (Newfoundland Tavern) and at
Mr John Cruet's.
Carbonear,
June 4, 1836.

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
STABB, and on the east by the Subscriber's.

MARY TAYLOR,
Widow.
Carbonear, Feb. 9, 1838.

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