

POETRY.

THE TURKISH LADY.

FROM "CAMPBELL'S HOME."

'Twas the hour when night's unholy
Called each Paynim voice to prayer,
And the star that faded slowly,
Left to dew the freshened air.

Day, her sultry fires had wasted,
Calm and sweet the moonlight rose;
Ev'n a captive's spirit tasted
Half oblivion of his woes.

Then 'twas from an Emir's palace,
Came an Eastern lady bright;
She, in spite of tyrant's jealous,
Saw and loved an English Knight.

"Tell me captive why in anguish
"Foes have dragg'd thee here to dwell,
"Where poor christians as they languish,
"Hear no sound of Sabbath bell!"

"'Twas on Transylvania's Banner,
"When the crescent shone afar,
"Like a pale disastrous planet
"O'er the purple tide of war.

"In that day of desolation,
"Lady I was captive made:
"Bleeding for my Christian nation
"By the walls of high Belgrade."

"Captive! could the brightest jewel
"From my turban set thee free?"
"Lady, no!—the gift were cruel,
"Ransomed, yet if 'reft of thee.

"Say fair princess would it grieve thee,
"Christian climes should we behold?"
"Nay, bold knight I would not leave thee,
"Were thy ransom paid in gold!"

Now in Heaven's blue expansion
Rose the midnight star to view,
When to quit her father's mansion,
Thrice she wept and bade adieu!

"Fly we then while none discover!
"Tyrant barks in vain ye ride!"
Soon at Rhodes, the British lover
Clap'd his blooming Eastern bride.

From the Freeman's Journal of May 1.

The SUN.—A spot of considerable magnitude has appeared on the disk of the sun, for the last two days which has given rise to many conjectures.

The public will pardon the following very hasty remarks, as only a few minutes were afforded to prepare them.

In the first place we say the spot is not a transit of Venus or Mercury, for neither of them, at present, is in the same part of the heavens with the sun, and a transit of those planets always effected in 6 or 8 hours, nor can it be a Comet, for its velocity, for the most part, is superior to those planets.

The spot is situated nearly north of the sun's centre, about one and a half digits, or 12m. 16s. from the north limb. It appears stationary, as observations were accurately taken, and no apparent change discovered after 12 hours.

Through a telescope it appears somewhat like a spider, having parts extending from the main body, and its magnitude cannot be less than two minutes, as it is very visible to the naked eye.

It is more than probable that this spot is in the surface of the sun, in which case, its surface would prove to be about 36 times that of the earth.

If this conjecture be true, by the sun's revolution about its axis, it will be seen gradually to advance to the circumference of the sun, and disappear in about 8 or 10 days.

It is probable that this spot is a comet fallen into the sun. The apparent shape of the spot helps to confirm this conjecture, as it is of an elliptical form, somewhat pointed at one end, which is the shape globular bodies are thrown when fallen obliquely upon a plane.

This Idea is not altogether new, for Sir Isaac New-

ton computes, that a comet in 1680 approached towards the sun's surface, within less than a sixth part of the sun's diameter; and by moving with an immense velocity in that nearness, he concludes that it must have been retarded by the assistance of the sun's atmosphere, and consequently must approach nearer and nearer after every revolution, till at last it falls into the sun.

Galileo who made the first discovery of spots in the sun, observed one in 1612, which was so large as to be plainly visible to the naked eye.

Should a comet travel immediately from the sun, it might in that case appear stationary. But this we have no reason to expect.

Nothing farther can be said until further observations be obtained.
DAVID M'CLURE,
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From the National Intelligencer, May 1.

Spots on the SUN'S disk.—The sun at rising yesterday, exhibited a very extraordinary appearance, obvious to every eye. As it rose above the horizon, the phenomenon exhibited itself to the inquisitive examiner in a form described by an intelligent and scientific friend in the following communication. Speaking of phenomena, the weather for some days past may be reckoned among them. Without rain for now about three weeks, the whole atmosphere is filled with a thick haze, the intonyence of which is not diminished by the clouds of impalpable dust which floats in the air. The fields exhibit more of the aridity of autumn, than of the freshness and verdure of spring.

"A largespot appears this day on the sun's disk. Viewed through a Telescope its figure is irregular; it consists of several *Nuclei* or dark parts, and the whole is surrounded by an *Umbræ*. Its general appearance is not unlike that of a cluster of Islands, for example, the Bermudas surrounded by a belt of rock, the outline of which conforms to the general figure of the cluster. It is conjectured that the longest line that can be drawn within this cluster, is at least 40,000 miles, or about five times the diameter of our earth.

"Various opinions have been suggested relative to the cause of these spots. They are not unfrequent; 50 at one time have been seen; they gradually increase, and gradually decrease, and after a certain period, disappear. It is probable that they are fixed and not floating. From many observations made on the apparent motion of these ephenomena the sun's diurnal rotation on his axes is found to be performed in about 23 days, 6 hours.

LONDON, MARCH 28.

We have seen as late advices from St. Helena as any that have reached town; but they are entirely silent on the subject of Bonaparte having been fired at by a British sentinel on duty, in consequence of his having gone beyond the limits prescribed as his boundary.

We regret to state that the Newry Bank of Messrs. Moore, Macan and Foxall's, has stopped payment—other failures are expected to follow.

Mr. Ward, the new Minister from our Court to Lisbon, embarked at Cork for that place, with his family and suite, on Monday the 18th inst. on board the the Granicus frigate; which is to bring back Mr. Canning; for whose option the vacant situation of President of the Board of Control, with a seat in the Cabinet is still reserved.

Tuesday the Paris Papers of Saturday arrived, the trial of Gen. Debelle for abandoning the Royal cause and joining Bonaparte on his return from Elba, has commenced before the permanent Council of War, and will, it is supposed, occupy the Court for several days.

Merit, Reputation, &c.

Remember to speak of yourself as seldom as may be. If you praise yourself it is arrogance; if you dispraise, it is folly.

Speak not well of any undeservedly—that is sordid flattery; speak not well of yourself, though ever so deserving, lest you be tempted to vain glory; but value more a good conscience than a good commendation.

Some poor men are undervalued, because worth nothing; and some rich men overvalued, though nothing worth.

It is the property of a great wit to decline esteem; to be covetous of applause discovers a slender merit, and self-conceit is the ordinary attendant of ignorance.

ANECDOTES.

Upon the door of an house occupied by a father and son, the former a blacksmith and publican, the latter a barber, near Bridgewater, in Somersetshire, is a board

expressing as follows:—'Barnet and son, blacksmith and barbers' work done here—horse shoeing, shoeing, locks mended, and hare cutting, bleeding, teeth drawing, and all other furriety work. All sorts of epicurean lickers according to the late comical treaty. Take note my wife keeps school, and lays fokes as you shall require reading and riting and all other langweiches, and the a sist aunts if required to teach horitory, towing the mathew matics; and all other fashionable diversions.

[Lon. Post.]

An Irishman some years ago attending the University of Glasgow, waited upon one of the most celebrated teachers of the German flute, desiring to know on what terms he would give him a few lessons: the flute player informed him, that he generally charged *two Guineas* for the first month, and *one guinea* for the second. 'Then, by my shoul,' replied the cunning Hibernian, 'I'll come the second month.'

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HENRY SMITH.

16th January, 1816.

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ALEXANDER DAVIDSON,

Sole Administrator.

Miramichi, 1st August, 1815.

ALL PERSONS

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PATRICK TAYLOR, } Administrator
JOHN GOODFELLOW, } strator

Miramichi, Nov. 20th, 1815.

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HANNAH STACKHOUSE, Administrator
JOHN CLEARWATER, } Administrator
WILLIAM SEWELL, }

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