

POETRY.

THE SLANDERER'S TOMB.

[BY N. H. WRIGHT.]

DEEP in the dreary forest gloom,
Where not a flower is seen to bloom,
And where a poison streamlet laves
The bank where deadly night-shade waves,
Is seen the Slanderer's lonely tomb.

The boding owl how'ring round,
Sends forth the screech of fearful sound;
The black wing'd raven lingers there,
And blasting dews pollute the air,
And fall upon the unhalloved mound.

For him, who sleeps in that lone bed,
No tear of fond regret is shed,
No kindred dear his fate bemoan,
Or raise the consecrated stone,
With pious hands above his head.

Alike to Heaven and man a foe,
The only joy on earth he knew,
Was to destroy his neighbor's fame,
To blight the fairest, brightest name,
And aim at virtue's breast a blow.

On his dark brow scowl'd Envy dire,
His eye balls flash'd a baneful fire,
Whilst Malice and envenom'd Hate,
Dwelt in his heart in sullen state,
And swell'd it with a hellish ire.

Indignant saw th' Almighty power
The wretch; fell woes around him shower--
The bolt of Heaven in thunder sped,
And struck the prowling monster dead,
That he should curse the world no more.

And now in dreary forest gloom,
Where not a flower is seen to bloom,
And where a poison'd streamlet laves
The bank where deadly night-shade waves,
Is seen the hateful Slanderer's Tomb.

For the N. B. Royal Gazette.

THE SEASON.

The Spring, which has just closed, has proved as unpromising to the Farmer as any ever known in this country; and as the two preceding years have been unfavorable to the pursuits of agriculture, many appear inclined to abandon farming altogether; not reflecting that they are thereby perpetuating the present distress by laying a sure foundation for future scarcity, for if there is but little planting and sowing in the Spring, it is certain there will be but little reaping and gathering in the fall, be the season ever so good. Many indeed are at present distressed on account of the loss of their last year's crop, and this may again happen, but it is our duty to plant and sow; it is the appointed means by which sustenance is to be procured, and it is our duty also to be resigned to the dispensations of Providence. But an attention to Farming is always of the first importance, and often an unpromising seed time is succeeded by a good harvest. It may, perhaps, be in the recollection of many that the Spring of 1803, (the year Governor Carleton removed to England) was much like the present, the ground being covered with snow that fell the 13th of May, but the season afterwards proved favorable, and there were good crops raised, particularly of Corn; and if we trace back the seasons to 1814, (which was a very fruitful year) we shall find that the present Spring, though backward, should not discourage us; the weather has just set in favorable, and it is still time enough, Corn or Potatoes, planted the first or second week in June, do as well, in general, as that which is planted at any other time, for early planted Corn is apt to be hurt by the frost that happens a little before, or at the full Moon in June. If there are any Farmers among us that are discouraged and desirous to remove, they should first consider that this is not the only country that is liable to bad seasons, the eastern States have felt them as well as this Province, and Canada, which is a fine grain country, has for a few years back suffered much from bad seasons; the last year there was a snow storm in that country the 20th of May, and frost the 7th of August, which hurt the wheat crop very much.

It may not be amiss at the close of these remarks to

offer a hint for the relief of the distressed, and this will point out the necessity there is for those who have spare seed of any description, to part with it to their needy neighbors on easy terms, so as to enable them to get in a crop; it would also be a great help if those who have the laying out of the road money, would employ such persons as are in want of work to enable them to procure subsistence for their families—poor industrious men with families—the French from Madawaska, and disbanded Soldiers have certainly the first claim. In short, there is no doubt but the resources of the province with proper management, are more than adequate to overcome any casualties that are likely to befall it.

London, April 8.

Dinner to the 42d Regt. A very gratifying scene was displayed in the Assembly rooms, George-street, Edinburgh, on Friday se'nnight, a subscription having been set on foot upon the arrival of the gallant 42d in that City, for the purpose of giving them a hearty reception in the metropolis of their native country. The managers of the assembly-rooms, having been so obliging as to offer the lower part of the building for the occasion, it was comfortably fitted up and an excellent dinner, consisting of roast beef and plum pudding, was prepared by Mr. Oman, to which the whole non-commissioned officers and privates (about 560 in number sat down at three o'clock. The health of their noble Colonel (the Marquis of Huntly) and of the officers, non-commissioned Officers and privates of the Regiment, was given, in a very animated manner, by Mr. Walter Scott, which was followed by that of the King, and of the Duke of Wellington and his army.

Married last week, Simon Marrott, cordwainer, to Sarah Thomas, both of Wisbech, the bridegroom has been both deaf and dumb from his birth, as is also his brother Jacob Marrott, and Henry Willis, who, with a large concourse of people, attended the couple to Church, and afterwards, joyously spent the day with their numerous relations and acquaintances.—The above marriage reminds us of a singular one that took place at Leicester in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. It is recorded as follows:—“Thomas Tilsey of Leicester, to Ursula Russet; the said Thomas, being deaf and dumb, for expressing of his mind, instead of words, of his own accord used these signs: first he embraced her with his arms, took her by the hand, and put a ring on her finger, and laid his hand upon his heart, and held up his hands towards heaven; and to show his continuance to dwell with her to his life's end, he did it by closing his eyes with his hands, and digging the earth with his feet; and pulling as though he rung a bell, with other signs that were approved.

Friday being the day on which the act expired for laying a Tax on Income, the bells in several parishes rung a merry peal. In Lambeth, Shoreditch, and other parishes, there were public dinners, in consequence of the happy event, and Friday was no doubt a day of general rejoicing throughout the country.

The general answer at Carleton house on Friday, to the enquiries after the Prince Regent's health, was, “His Royal Highness continues much better.”

In the House of Commons on Thursday night, an interesting and animated discussion took place in consequence of a complaint made by Lord Milton, that he had been stopped by a Life-Guardsman, while driving through Pall-mall on Thursday, and threatened with personal violence if he persevered in passing along the space kept open for the carriages going to the Queen's Drawing-Room.

The Earl of Essex, in the House of Peers in Friday night, brought forward the same subject with which Lord Milton indulged the Commons on the preceding, *videlicet*, his being prevented by a soldier from riding down Pall-Mall, on account of the Drawing-room. To satisfy Complainants, Lord Sidmouth has very good naturedly promised, that when they attempt to break the line in future, there shall be no want of Constables at their Honor's service.

PARIS, MARCH, 30.

On the 31st of this month the Austrian troops are to quit the town and fortress of Alexandria for Pavia.

It appears from the disposition of John Baptiste Blancpain, that Savary stood opposite to the place where the Duke D'Enghem was put to death, and gave himself, orders for the execution to Adjutant Belle, commander of the gens d'armes.

A person bearing the decorations of the Legion of Honour and St. Louis, and who is said to be a General,

passed by Troyes, on his way to Strasburg, to be tried by a Council of War.

THE SUBSCRIBER.

Has received by the latest arrivals from ENGLAND, a general assortment of DRY GOODS, HARD WARE, &c.

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HENRY SMITH.

16th January, 1816.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having demands against the Estate of the late BRIDGET EDDY, of Miramichi, deceased, are desired to present the same, duly attested, within eighteen calendar months from the date hereof, and all those indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

ALEXANDER DAVIDSON,
Sole Administrator.

Miramichi, 21st August, 1815.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING any just demands against the Estate of ADAM DUNMEDE, late of Miramichi, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested, and those indebted to the said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to

PATRICK TAYLOR, } Admin-
JOHN GOODFELLOW, } strators.

Miramichi, Nov. 20th, 1815.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having demands against the Estate of the late DAVID STACKHOUSE, of Pouceyack, deceased, are requested to render their Accounts duly attested within Six Months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

HANNAH STACKHOUSE, Administratrix,
JOHN CLEARWATER, } Administrators.
WILLIAM SEWELL, }

Fredericton, 16th April, 1816.

To be Sold, By Auction,

On Saturday, the 3d day of August next at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon, at JOHN M'LEOD'S in Fredericton,

THAT valuable Farm of RICHARD ROGERS, in Woodstock, with the Houses, Barns, and Fences thereon, 200 acres of Land, more or less, (subject to a Mortgage) bounded on the South by Capt. Bull, and North by the Revd. Frederick Dibblee, the whole taken in execution from Richard Rogers at the Suit of William Bull, by a Writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the Supreme Court for ninety-eight pounds New-Branswick Currency, and will be sold on the above day to the highest Bidder, by

GEORGE D BERTON,
Sheriff of York.

2d April, 1816.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late Hon. EDWARD WINSLOW, of Fredericton, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested—and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

JOHN JENKINS, } Admin-
EDWARD W. MILLER, } strators.

Fredericton, May 23, 1815.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late JOHN KING, of Fredericton, deceased, are requested to exhibit the same duly attested; and those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

MARGARET KING, Adm'r.
MARK NEEDHAM, Adm'r.

Fredericton, 19th Sept. 1815.

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