

FROM THE VERMONT JOURNAL.

The following lines, which the author presents for perusal, were composed upon contemplating the frequent use of the number seven, which appeared in Scripture, to be considered a sacred number.

Seven is the number most complete,
 Seven years composed the jubilee;
 "Seven days composed the Christian's week,"
 Seven attributes, the Deity.
 Seven orbs we say revolve the sun,
 Seven colors do the rainbow grace,
 Seven wonders in the world were done,
 Seven legions were of Mary's race.
 Seven lamps within the golden bowl,
 Seven pipes did shine from every one;
 Seven eyes to Joshua shone on stone,
 Seven eyes with Zerubabel's plumb
 Seven priests round Jericho compass'd,
 Seven trumpets of rams horns to sound,
 Seven days did bring a certain blast,
 Seven brought the walls all to the ground.
 Seven churches ancient Asia graced,
 Seven candlesticks therein were plac'd;
 Seven seals were once upon the book,
 Seven were by Judah's lion broke.
 Seven horns were seen upon the lamb,
 Seven were the heads the dragon bore,
 Seven angels flew at God's command,
 Seven phials of his wrath to pour.
 Seven times with oil the sprinkling priest,
 Sprinkling before the throne of God;
 Seven times that finger, type of CHRIST,
 Sprinkled the Mercy Seat with blood.

L. S***.

From an Edinburgh paper of Aug. 12.

The Airthrie Whale.—No circumstance has occurred for many years so highly interesting in natural history, as the discovery of the skeleton of the Whale, which was found the other day at Airthrie. This gigantic animal, which must have been of the largest of its tribe, was buried in the soft mud of the Forth, and covered over with a thin coating of mossy soil, which, by means of draining, and other agricultural improvement, is now in the process of being converted into valuable arable land. It is to this improvement we are indebted for the discovery of the skeleton, as it was in deepening a ditch that the workmen of Sir R. Abercrombie, discovered the bones.—The position of so large a body would have led us to expect that some slight protuberance would have marked the spot where it was laid. This was not the case, however, an uniform flat surface extended all around, and, if ever its grave was marked by an undulation at all, time, that Almighty leveller, has completely worn it out.

Since the discovery of the mammoth bones on the Ohio, we know of nothing in natural history at all to compare with this, and to us it is rendered more interesting, as it proves that an animal, the species of which we presume we are still unacquainted with, lived in a situation which could not have been accessible to it at any period since the commencement of the Christian era.

The situation where it lay was within a very short distance of Dunmyat, that hill which forms so prominent a feature in the landscape as viewed from Queen-street, about sun-set. It is about a mile from the Forth, and that many miles above the point at which it becomes a Firth; indeed in its nearest neighborhood the river is so shallow as to be fordable at low water, and to this circumstance the direction of a Roman road is to be attributed, which crossed the river at this spot, and was protected by a camp or fortress which was established on the north bank of the Forth.—These well known circumstances are valuable data upon this occasion, as they afford us indisputable proof of the Forth having flowed at that time in the same channel it does now, and also that the banks of it must have been of a solid consistency, ere they would attempt to lead a road across that part of the country, or establish a fortress in the midst of a swamp. This consolidation we know to be a process of time; and, at a period when the industry or ingenuity of mankind had not yet suggested the advantage of draining, we may readily believe that the Romans found them, in respect to firmness, much in the same state they now are; consequently it is to some period, much beyond that of history to which the mind must wander, in the vain pursuit of forming a conjecture as to the time when the base of the Ochil Hills was washed by the tide, and accessible to the intruders of this monarch of the ocean. The discovery of this skeleton sets all question upon the fact beyond a doubt. The finding of a few oyster shells in this kind of mud, a circumstance of very common occurrence, afforded room for speculation, but now no question can be entertained as to the fact of the sea having

covered the whole of this district long after the creation of living animals.

We learn that some single bones of the same species have been occasionally found in the district of the Carse of Falkirk, and we hope to have more information on the subject shortly; meantime we may observe, that the only other skeleton of the whale tribe, found under similar circumstances, that we know of, is one which was discovered in the alluvial soil of Po, at Castel Arquato, near Piacentino, where the remains of two Whales were dug up. They are both deposited in the museum of the Council of Mines at Milan, and were sent there by Beauharnois, when Viceroy of Italy. One only is in any thing like a state of preservation; the head and right jaw are entire, several of the ribs remain, and 42 articulations of vertebrae, but its length is not one third of the Airthrie skeleton, as it measures only 21 feet. Two other Skeletons of the Dolphin tribe are exhibited in the same place—all found in the alluvial soil of the Po.

From the appearance of that country, no doubt can be entertained of the sea having once stood at a much higher level. The enormous quantity and variety of shells which occur in various places, now removed far inland and far above the present level of the Mediterranean, will not permit of a doubt on this head; but, that that level extended somewhat beyond the limits of that sea, seems to be somewhat confirmed by this recent discovery.

FACT.—In a neighbouring state, a few years since, a young doctor was very assiduous in his attention to a servant girl, who lived in the house where he boarded. By promises of marriage, he finally gained her confidence; and after a few months had elapsed, she found it necessary for her own reputation to urge the speedy fulfilment of his engagements. He then very gravely informed her that he had altered his mind:—was very sorry for her situation, and made a proffer of his services to furnish her with a horse and saddle, that she might go home to her friends, who resided at a considerable distance. Her upbraidings and entreaties availed nothing; and finding this the only boon she could obtain, his proposal was accepted—she promised to return them by the first opportunity. Proceeding homeward, ruminating on the perfidy of men, she concluded that women, if they had a chance, might as well wheedle the men as be wheedled by them—arranging her plans accordingly, on arriving at the end of her journey, she directed a letter to her false friend, informing him, that although she promised to return the horse and saddle, she had followed his example, and altered her mind—and wishing him long life and the blessings of a good help-mate as she would have made, she bid him farewell! Fearing summary measures to obtain his property would produce another retort for his own breach of faith, and expose himself to the laughter of his acquaintances, the doctor cursed his luck, and swallowed the pill in silence.

NOTICE.

WHAT on Sunday the 9th day of May last, was discovered by the Pilot Boats while cruising off Point Escumiac, a Schooner, about 15 miles distant, and bearing E.N.E. from Escumiac; and upon coming up alongside of her, was found to be a Vessel of about 60 tons burthen, having no person on board, water logged, no sails nor rigging of any description, nor spars, except the two lower masts and bowsprit. The water being discharged, three Pilot Boats towed her in from sea, and up Miramichi River about two miles above the Custom-House, where she now lays on the beach in safety—no person appearing as yet to claim her—no name JAMES McCULLON. Miramichi, 26th June, 1819.

£10 Reward.

STOLEN or Strayed from the owners, at Ludlow, a dark brown HORSE, black mane and tail, (very short.) Whoever returns him to the Subscribers will receive ten pounds reward.

JAMES & JOHN DONALD. Ludlow, 2d Sept. 1819.

FOR SALE AT THE ROYAL GAZETTE OFFICE.

A few Rolls superfine Parchment; Yellow wove and Post; do. do. with black border; broad and narrow Pink Tape; black Lead Pencils Red Sealing Wax; red and black Ink powder; Bills of Exchange; Indentures; Bail Bonds for the Supreme and Inferior Courts; Half-Pay Certificates; Powers of Attorney, &c. &c. Fredericton, 5th June, 1819.

NOTICES.

ALL persons having any demands against the Estate of ALEX. MURDOCH, late of Miramichi, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested, and all those indebted to said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to
 GEORGE MURDOCH,
 Sole Administrator.
 Miramichi, 14th Feb. 1819.

ALL persons having just demands against the Estate, of JOSEPH WILLISTON, deceased, late of the Parish of Glenelg in the County of Northumberland, Farmer, are requested to render the same duly attested within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to
 ALCEY WILLISTON, Ex'rx.
 RICHARD SIMONDS, Ex'r.
 Miramichi, 19th Jan. 1819.

ALL those indebted or having accounts unsettled with the estate of the late John M'Leod, are requested to call on Mr. Robert Eggar, (he being appointed to adjust them). Those indebted to the said Estate are particularly requested to pay their Accounts, otherwise they will be put in the hands of an Attorney to collect.

Jedediah Slason, | Executors.
 Mark Needham, |
 Fredericton, 23d Jan. 1819.

ALL Persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing Notes of Hand against JONATHAN HARTT and WILLIAM KNOX, in favour of GEORGE HUME of Gage-Town, as there was no value received for said Notes.
 JONATHAN HARTT.
 Gage-Town, 2d Dec. 1818.

ALL PERSONS HAVING just demands against the Estate of Frederick Rogers, late of the County of Northumberland, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested, within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are required to make immediate payment to
 NANCY ROGERS, Adm'x.
 ANTHY. ROGERS, Adm's.
 A. FRASER, Senr.
 Miramichi, 11th March, 1819.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of John Morgan, Senr. late of Fredericton, deceased, are requested to render the same duly attested to, within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to
 JOHN MORGAN, Jun. Admr.
 Fredericton, 10th August, 1819.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED to the Subscriber on Note or Book Account, up to 24th June last, are requested to call and settle the same without delay.
 E. B. WILLIAMS.
 Fredericton, 24th Aug. 1819. 3m.

Deputy-Surveyors

ARE requested to send their appointments to the Surveyor-General's office; and those desirous of having their authority renewed, will submit to an inspection their Surveying Instruments, and themselves to an examination touching their qualifications.

A. LOCKWOOD,
 Surveyor-Gen.
 Fredericton, 9th August, 1819.

NEW GOODS.

EZEKIEL SLOOT & Co.
 Have received per the MELANTIC from London, their Spring supply of British and East-India MERCHANDIZE, which they offer for sale on their usual moderate terms.

---ALSO---
CONIAC BRANDY,
 Hollands GIN,
 PORT and LISBON WINE,
 Wine VINEGAR,
 London Bottled & Draft PORTER,
 Double and single Gloucester CHEESE.
 They expect daily, an assortment of WOOLLENS and STUFFS, from Liverpool.
 Fredericton, 15th June, 1819.

FRESH GOODS.

MARK NEEDHAM
HAS just received by the MARS from Greenock; VEST, from London, and KINGSTON, from Liverpool, a Supply suitable for the season,—which will be disposed of at his usual low prices.
 Fredericton, 20th July, 1819.

NOTICE.

ALL those Indebted to the Subscriber, neglecting to settle their Accounts will be put in the hands of an Attorney to collect.

JEDEDIAH SLASON.
 Fredericton, 9th March, 1818.

NOTICE.

THE Subscriber earnestly requests those persons indebted to JAMES FRASER, FRASER & DONALDSON, and FRASER, DONALDSON & Co. (all of Fredericton) that they will call and pay their respective balances without delay.
 M. NEEDHAM.
 Fredericton, 6th Oct. 1818.

JARVIS RING

RETURNS thanks to the Public at large, for the encouragement he has received from them in his line of business for the time past, and wishes also to inform them, that he still carries on the TANNING and CURRYING Business, in its various branches, and will strictly attend to all Hides and Skins sent to be dressed to the Halves. He also carries on the Boot and Shoe Making Business, in its various Branches: Collars, Harness, Bridles, &c. made at his Shop. He offers the same to the Public for sale upon reasonable terms, and hopes by unremitting attention to merit a share of public patronage.
 Fredericton, 2d February, 1819.

STRAYED away from the owner on the 1st of July, a small dark red MARE, with black mane and tail—and paces. Whoever will return the said Mare, shall have the sum of fifty shillings paid on delivery.
 JOSEPH ARBO, Senior.
 Miramichi, 27th Aug. 1819.

EZEKIEL SLOOT & Co. request all persons having accounts with them unsettled to the 1st July last, to come forward and settle them without delay, to save unnecessary expences.
 Fredericton, 29th August, 1819.

STRAY OX.

FOUND on the 28th instant in the Enclosures of the Subscriber, a Brindle OX, with large horns. If the owner does not come for him within forty days from the date of this advertisement, he will be sold at Auction to pay expences, and the overplus money (if any) will be reserved for the owner.
 ANGUS M'BEAN.
 Nashwalk, 21st Sept. 1819. 3p.

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