

(Communicated.)

THE HUTS OF THE POOR.

Too long do the mazes of ignorance hide,
The hovels where Poverty's children reside;
And Truth to the wealthy disclosing her store,
Has past by and forgotten the huts of the poor.
Ah! why should those treasures, to others reveal'd
From the lowly-lodg'd peasant alone be conceal'd?
And wisdom, enchanting the great with her lore,
Despise, and be banish'd the huts of the poor.
The heavens o'er their heads are extended as fair,
The rill ripples round as pellucid and clear;
And the sun, which enlivens the monarch's proud
door,
Shines as cheerful and bright on the huts of the poor.
But the day is arriving when science shall reign,
From the prince to the peer, from the peer to the
swain;
When her fame shall be blazon'd from shore unto
shore,
From the halls of the proud to the huts of the poor.

[Extract] O.

BELLEFONTE, Centre Co. (Pa.) Nov. 6.

SINGULAR.—A gentleman in the neighbourhood of this town, having three Snakes, viz. a Rattlesnake, a Black Viper, and a Spotted Viper, confined in a cage, with the intent to take them with him to a foreign shore, caught a Mouse and put it alive into the cage, to serve the snakes for food before entering into a torpid state. The mouse gave evident symptoms of fear, when first put in; but judge of the astonishment of the gentleman, on finding, a short time afterwards, that the mouse, instead of being eaten, had actually devoured the Spotted Viper—having decapitated it as adroitly and as completely as if it had undergone the operation of a French Gullotine! This is the more singular, from the circumstance of there having been wheat, meat, &c. in the cage, to keep the mouse in existence, until some one of the Snakes chose to make a meal of it; but it appears that the biter has been bitten and the charmer charmed.

THE CANTON CRAPE DRESS.

"Eye nature's walk, shoot folly as it flies,
And catch the manners living as they rise."
The other day I paid my neighbor Homespun a visit. I entered the door, and as I passed towards the sitting room I heard my name pronounced by Mrs. Homespun in no very good humor. I stood hesitating, not knowing whether to advance or retreat; curiosity, however, got the better of good breeding, and I listened to the following dialogue between Mr. and Mrs. Homespun.

Mrs. Homespun.—I tell you, I don't want to hear any more of your newspaper economy, for I believe that Caustic writes the most of it; and I dare say, if he overheard our conversation now he'd put it into the papers. There's Mr. Hairbrain talks about domestic manufactures, but you should have seen her and her daughters in meeting last Sunday.—Leghorn hats that cost no less than 20 dollars, merino shawls 30 dollars a piece, and their elegant crape dresses just made up after the newest fashions, which they bought at Ripsneezers's store—and there was I in my plain silk, grey with wearing—I don't mean to suffer it much longer—my daughters, too, are as good as Mrs. Hairbrain's, equally well bred—and they shall be as fashionably dressed.

Mr. Homespun.—I must confess the thing is a little surprising to me, how Mr. Hairbrain has managed to get all this finery for his family; why only consider their hats 60, their shawls 90, and how much did you say for their crape dresses? 30 dollars, I suppose, would not be too much; making the sum of 180 dollars to put upon the backs and heads of three ladies, exclusive of fashionable boots, lace, ribbons, &c. Why wife, I protest it would clothe our family in domestics for a whole year; and what in these times is of infinite consequence, it would keep the money in the country.

Mrs. H.—Yes, here you have again at your everlasting calculations; only ask you to buy any thing, the question is 'what will it cost?'—how much will it cost to go to Lancaster and talk about domestic manufactures? how much to get half the newspapers in the country?—if I was so inclined, I could make calculations as well as yourself, but it's not fashionable: I know that neither Mrs. nor Mr. Hairbrain make calculations as to what a thing may cost: why it's vulgar.

Mr. H.—Their not enquiring a price of an article I believe to be true, but I know, of a certainty that old Pinchem will calculate Mr. Hairbrain's farm and property into his

own possession, unless his mortgage is very soon discharged.

Mrs. H.—That's his own look out; that's nothing to me. Mr. Ripsneezers has just received the handsomest and best piece of Canton crape that's ever been exported into the country, and I'm determined to have a dress of it, let it cost what it will.

Mr. H.—Imported you should say; those goods are the manufacture of foreign countries, and nothing but the Importer's gold and silver can purchase them, and such of us farmers as are the simple wearers and consumers of these goods—why wife, we must even pay for them by the sweat of our brows—our Wheat, our Rye, our Whiskey, our Corn, the produce of our lands, must be sent to foreign countries to pay for such trash, whilst our manufacturers are groaning under the burden of poverty.

Mrs. H.—I can tell you that it's not very polite to contradict your wife in every things he says and does. Is I was always poring over newspapers like yourself, I could speak English as well as other folks, but I think as it is, I can be understood: I don't care whether the goods are exported or imported so that I can get them; I don't care whether the money stays at home or goes abroad, so I can live and be like other folks.

Mr. H.—Newspapers, it is true, cost something, but the money is by no means thrown away; a well conducted paper is a treat which no well informed man, in the present state of society, can be without; venal and corrupt presses should not be encouraged, and most people have judgment enough to discriminate between those who advocate "men, not measures," between those whose aim is to aggrandize the leading and bare-faced demagogue, and those whose aim is the general welfare of the country and people; in short, a free press is the palladium of liberty.

Mrs. H.—They have made something of you, I know, that will make your family appear as if they had never seen any thing of the world. By your conversation, it appears as if you intended to dress them all in homespun. Can you tell me of any body else that means to do so? but I suspect it's a plot laid at these manufacturer's meetings.

Mr. H.—Why yes, I must confess, there are a number of us have agreed to wear only domestics; and among others, some of our nearest neighbors and ladies of the first standing in society; there's Mrs. Knickerbach and her daughters; and there's Mrs. Vanstutzen and daughters; and many others that I could mention, have agreed to take their Christmas dinners in domestics of their own spinning; and you may be of the party if you please.

Mrs. H.—Yes I'll wear a linsy petticoat just as soon as you will wear a pair of pink satin breeches.

Thus ended the dialogue, and Mrs. Homespun flung out of the room in great dudgeon.

Homespun (*Solus.*)

FASHION! offspring of pride and vanity! Thou slavest thy thousand and thy tens of thousands! From thy tyrannic sway there is no escape!—To buy, or not to buy? that's the question—to pay for? aye, there's the rub. Foreign and domestic—my bane and antidote, are both before me—the one keeps my money in my purse: the other robs me of it.—What then? to say that shawls, and crapes, and hats, will end this heart-ache, and all the pangs that—

Here an involuntary sigh escaped me—and as homespun opened the door to see what was the matter, I stood with my hat and my cane in my hand, as though I had just come from the front door.

CAUSTIC.

NOTICE.

THE Subscribers having entered into Co partnership, the Public are hereby informed that the Business heretofore carried on by THOMAS L. LANGEN, will in future be conducted under the Firm of LANGEN & ROBERTSON.

THOMAS L. LANGEN.

THOMAS R. ROBERTSON.

N. B. They have now on hand (at their Store in Queen Street, nearly opposite the Market-House) a general assortment of DRY GOODS and GROCERIES, which they will dispose of on very reasonable terms for Cash or approved Credit.

Fredericton, 20th Nov. 1819.

The Members of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge, are hereby informed, that the Books sent for by them last winter, have arrived, and are now opened and ready to be delivered by the Subscriber to them on the terms of the Society, and to the Public on much better terms than they can be procured at elsewhere. The following is a Catalogue:—

Bibles, Testaments, and Prayer Books, of various descriptions.

Mrs. Trimmer's Abridgement of the Old Testament.

Do. do. New do

Hymnals, in 2 volumes.

Directions of well order'd Families.

The Life of Bonill.

Instructive Tales, by Mrs. Trimmer.

The Two Farmers, an Exemplary Tale.

The Servant's Friend.

A Friendly Call to the Communion, by a Layman.

The Young Man's Monitor.

The Listener Detected.

Charity School Spelling Books, in 2 parts.

Meditation on Prayer, for Sick Persons.

Abridgement of the Bible, for Children.

Present for Servants.

A Public House Monitor.

Doctor Bell's System of Instruction.

Young Woman's Monitor.

The Evil of Lukewarmness in Religion.

Dissuasion from Stealing.

The Baseness of Slander.

Dissuasion from Sin.

The Sinfulness of Neglecting and Profaning the Lord's Day.

The Two Apprentices, an Instructive Tale.

Rural Economy, by Mrs. Trimmer.

The Gamester, by do.

An Instructive and Affectionate Address to the Poor.

Admonition against Swearing.

Dissuasion from Gaming.

Essay on Regeneration and Conversion.

Friendly Advice to the Sick.

The Way to Eternal Salvation.

Catechetical Instruction on the chief Truths of Religion.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper explained in a familiar dialogue.

Serious advice to Persons that have been sick.

Lessons from the Teacher's Assistant, by Mrs. Trimmer.

Elements of the National School.

Dissuasion from Intemperance.

Instruction to the Poor.

Children's first book, 2 parts.

Charity School Spelling Books.

History of our Blessed Saviour.

Discourses of do.

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Parables of do.

Sermons of do.

Church Catechism in short questions.

The National Society Charity School.

The Madras System of Education.

JEDEDIAH SLASON,

Treasurer of Society for Promoting

Christian Knowledge, Fredericton

Fredericton, 15th November, 1819.

ALL Persons who have claims for

School Money, or Bounties on rais-

ing Bread Corn, are hereby notified, that

whenever the money is payable at the Pro-

Vince Treasury, notice will be immediately

given in the Royal Gazette, that all persons

may call at the Office of the Clerk of the

Peace and receive their several propor-

tions.

BLANKS for Assessors to Collectors,

may be had upon application.

Fredericton, 13th Sept. 1819.

P. FRASER

Has just received, (in addition to his former

Assortment) by the Cyrus, from Green-

ock, a supply of Merchandise suitable

for the season, which will be sold on the

most reasonable terms for Cash or Bills of

Exchange—Amongst which are

PRINTED Cottons; Cotton and Linen Cam-

brics; Muslins, Ginghams, Bombazets, Rib-

bons, Crapes, Silk Handkerchiefs, Cotton Sheetings and Sheetings, India Cottons, Homepun Linens,

Checks, Dimities, Bed Ticks, Stripped Cottons,

Threads, Winter Shawls, Ladies Black Beaver and

Straw Bonnets, Men's Coarse and Fine Hats, Lin-

sey Wooleys, &c. & c.

A few Hdhs. well assorted white and blue edg'd

WARE;—Also

Soup, Starch, Candles, Mustard, Saltpetre, Sul-

phur, Fig Blue.

Large and Small Cast Iron STOVES; Bar Iron.

Fredericton, 22d Nov. 1819.

SIRAYED 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 August, 1819.

FOR SALE AT THE ROYAL GAZETTE

OFFICE.

A few Rolls superfine Parchment; Yellow

Wove 40 Post; do. do. with black border;

Broad and narrow Pink Tape; black Lead Pencils

Resealing Wax; red and black Inkpowder; Bills

of Exchange; Indentures; Bail Bonds for the Su-

preme and Inferior Courts; Half-Pay Certificates

do. Powers of Attorney, &c. & c.

Fredericton, 5th June, 1819.

RAGS! RAGS! RAGS!

CASII will be given at the Royal Gazett-

Office, for clean Linnen or Cotton RAGS.

NOTICES.

ALL persons having demands against the estate of the late JOHN ROBINS, deceased, of Northumberland, are requested to render the same, duly attested, within eight calendar months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to said estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

THOMAS ROBINS, } Adm'r.
PETER STEWART, }
Miramichi,