

COURT OF APOLLO.

TO THE BRITISH SOLDIERS OF THE PRESENT YEAR.

SHALL France appal with threats and vaunting boasts, Or with impunity attack our coasts? Perish the man that haltes not to oppose With firm undaunted breast th' invading foes! Ye, British soldiers, never shrink at toil, Nor ever suffer on your native soil The Gallic foe the palm away to bear, Or from your brows victorious laurels tear, Which, gain'd in haughty Cressy's weeping field, To Time's last period shall true honour yield. Your brave forefathers rear'd on Poitiers' plain The British standards o'er the numerous slain. When Edward Prince of Wales aspir'd to fame, And rail'd with lustre Britain's glorious name. Nor less shall Agincourt inflame your zeal, To aid your country, and the public weal. The fields of Agincourt, unstain'd before, Bewail'd their soil besmear'd with human gore, Their castle storm'd, their army in defeat, And seeking safety in confus'd retreat. There Henry midst the ranks conspicuous shone, Repuls'd the Gallic foe, and battle won. Shall Gallia's troops insult the British sky, And Cressy's laurels fade, and Poitiers' die? Dare they approach, fresh laurels shall ye reap, And plunge them headlong down your rocky steep.

ON THE VENALITY OF SERVANTS—
An Italian Story.

A Nobleman of high rank in Italy once invited the neighbouring gentry to a grand entertainment, and all the delicacies of the season were accordingly provided. Some of the company had already arrived, in order to pay their very early respects to his Excellency, when the Major-Domo, all in a hurry, came into the dining-room. "My Lord," said he, "here is a most wonderful fisherman below, who has brought one of the finest fishes in all Italy; but then he demands such a price for it!"—"Regard not the price," cried the Marquis, "pay it him down directly." "So I would, please your Excellency, but he refuses to take money." "Why, what would the fellow have?" "A hundred strokes of the strappado on his bare shoulders, my Lord; he says he will not bate of a single blow." On this all the company ran down to have a view of this rarity of a fisherman. "A fine fish, a most exquisite fish!" cried the Marquis: "What is your demand, my friend? you shall be paid on the instant."—"Not a farthing, my Lord; I will not take money. If you would have my fish, you must order me a hundred lashes of the strappado on my naked back; if not, I shall go and apply elsewhere." "Rather than lose the fish," said his Excellency, "let the fellow have his humour. Here," he cried to one of his grooms, "discharge the honest man's demand, and don't lay on over hard; don't hurt the poor devil very much." The fisherman then stripped, and the groom prepared to put his lord's orders in execution. "Now, my friend," cried the fisherman, "keep good account, I beseech you, for I am not covetous of a single stroke beyond my due." The operation proceeded, while all the company stood suspended in amazement.—At length, on the instant that the groom had given the fiftieth lash, "Hold," cried the fisherman, "I have already received my full share of the price." "Your share!" questioned the Marquis, "what can you mean by that?" "Why my Lord, you must know I have a partner in this business. My honor is engaged to let him have half of whatever I should get: and I fancy that your Excellency will acknowledge, by and bye, that it would be a thousand pities to defraud him of a single stroke."—"And pray, my friend, who

is this same partner of your's?" It is the porter, my Lord, who guards the outer gate of your Excellency's palace. He refused to admit me, but on the condition of promising him the half of what I should get for my fish."—"O ho!" exclaimed the Marquis, laughing, "he shall not be defrauded; he shall have his demand doubled to him in full tail." Here the porter was sent for, and stripped to the skin, when two grooms laid upon him with might and main, till they had rendered him fit to be salted for a second Bartholomew.—The Marquis then ordered his Major-Domo to pay the fisherman twenty gechins, (about 9l. sterling) and desired him to call yearly for the same sum, as a reward for the friendly office he had rendered him.

SKETCH OF A MARRIED MAN.

The felicity of a married man never stands still; it flows perpetual, and strengthens in the course. It is supplied from various channels, and depends more on others than himself. From participation proceed the most extatic enjoyments of a married man.

By an union with the most gentle, the most polished, the most beautiful part of the creation, the mind of a married man is harmonized, and his manners softened! His soul is animated by the most tender and lively sensations! Love, gratitude, and universal benevolence, mix in all his ideas. His house is an earthly heaven—his wife an angel, and his children seraphs. They approach him with joy; and he meets them in rapture!

Plenty, under the guardianship of Economy, is seen smiling at his board; Generosity is the porter of his mansion! and Joy the president of his festivity! When death overtakes him, he is only translated from one heaven to another; and his children, who close his eyes on earth, meet them open again to eternal happiness.

SKETCH OF AN OLD BACHELOR.

AN old bachelor is a being which Nature never intended. He is a creature formed out of all those odds and ends which remained after the great work of creation was concluded; when all the finer materials were used for the composition of such as were intended for social enjoyments, what remained was hardly enough to rub round the sides of the crusty mould in which he was formed. But that he should not be insupportable to himself and the world, Dame Nature gave him self-love in abundance, a kind of illegitimate understanding, and a judgment so mixed with acidity, that it turns four every thing within its comprehension. Thus formed, and thus qualified, a bachelor breathes without the possibility of enjoying happiness himself, or essentially contributing to the happiness of others.

The principal business of a bachelor is to keep himself quiet. He gets up to lie down, and lies down to get up. No tender, no social impressions enliven his waking hours—No agreeable reveries diversify his drowsy slumbers. If a bachelor is ever in love, it is with some favorite dish, or the comforts of his wine cellar. His house-keeper, or his landlady, he can speak to without reserve, and he mostly does so like a tyrant. Of every other woman he stands in awkward or abject awe. Against starry eyes, rosy cheeks, ruby lips, and snowy bosoms! against the charms of relative enjoyments: connubial, parental, filial joys, he is full proof! A coffee-house is his fort—his sanctum sanctorum: here he lounges out his useless days, and at night he retires to the miserable possession of his pillow!

Such is a bachelor! Such the existence of a bachelor! But what becomes of him after this life, God only knows!

NOTICE.

THE Administrators to the Estate of the late EBENEZER PUTNAM, Esq. deceased, are under the necessity of informing all those indebted to said Estate, either in Bond, Note, or Book Account, that unless their respective balances are discharged by the first of April next, they will then be delivered over to the Attorney to be sued without discrimination.

JAMES CODNER,
ANDREW CROOKSHANK.
St. John, 10th Dec. 1799.

ALEXANDER REID,

BECS leave to thank his Friends and the Public in general for their many favours whilst he did business under the late Firm of THOMSON and REID, and informs them that he has imported the following GOODS in the Brig *Oriana*, Paterfon, from London, which he has now opened for Sale at the Old Store in King-Street, and requests a continuance of their commands.

LONDON bottled Port wine by the dozen, or by the hamper that contain 4 dozen, or by the gallon, 3 years old
Sherry wine 3 years old, by the gallon, dozen, or quarter cask
Jamaica spirits, 3 years old, imported from London
Hollands geneva
London bottled & draught Porter & Brown stout
Hyslop, touchong and bohea tea
Prunes
Valencia almonds
Currants
New raisins of the sun
Smyrna do.
Muscadell do.
Loaf & Mulcovado sugars
Black pepper
Nutmegs
Soap
Mould & dipt candles
White wine vinegar
Mens' fine, coarse and military hats
Ditto by the box
Oil'd and plain silk umbrellas
Gentlemen's saddles & furniture complete
Ladies Doe skin hunting do.
Surcingle

Snaffle and Pelham bridles
Saddle cloths
Horse brushes
Combs and halters
Chair and jockey whips
A set of Sleigh harness complete
Window glaz 9 by 7 and 10 by 8
And an assortment of glass ware
Scented pomatum in pots
Stoughton's elixir
Essence, burgamot, lemon & lavender
Spirits of hartshorn in stopped vials
Spirits of lavender drops
Anderson's pills
Tincture of myrrh
Steer's opedeldoc, excellent for sprains, rheumatic complaints, &c.
Elix. vitriol
Hair powder and starch
Muslin neck cloths
Shawls and pocket handkerchiefs
A box of fashionable Millenary, consisting of drels bonnets, a fatina robe, flowers, girdels, Bandanna & Barcelona handkerchiefs, and an elegant assortment of ribbons
Queen's Ware and a number of other Articles.

St. John, December 6, 1799.

JUST IMPORTED

In the Brig *Susannah*, Wm. Stockton, master, from Tobago, and for Sale by DANIEL KING, at his Store on the North-side of the Market-wharf.

MUSCOVADO SUGAR in hhds. tierces and barrels,
MOLASSES in hhds.
RUM in puncheons,
A few casks Sherry WINE,
Tobago FUSTICK of the first quality.
St. John, December 6, 1799.

By Public Auction.

TO be Sold, on the Third Tuesday in March next, on the Premises in the Parish of Greenwich:—All that FARM formerly belonging to DAVID FANNING, Esq. taken in execution at the suit of DAVID MERRITT against WILLIAM CALDWELL, by SAMUEL KETCHUM, Sheriff of King's County, Oct. 12, 1799.

Sales at Auction,

On the 20th day of February next, at 11 o'clock, at RYERSON'S Tavern, Mougerville,

THREE years Lease of a Farm Lot, No. 88, Mougerville, bounded on the East by a Lot belonging to Israel Perley, Esq. and on the West by a Lot belonging to Mr. Brown, and Southerly by the River St. John, and commonly known and distinguished by the name of *Glazur's Farm*.

The conditions may be known by applying to Mr. THOMAS PETERS in Mougerville, or to FRANCIS GILBERT, Naval Officer, St. John, who will give a Lease for the same.
St. John, January 14, 1800.

ALL Persons having any just Demands on the Estate of BENJAMIN BROWN, Senior, of Mougerville, deceased, are desired to render the same; and all Persons indebted to the said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to ELIJAH MILES, Executor. Mougerville, 16th February, 1799.

CAUTION.

WHEREAS a number of trespassers have been committed on Lot No. 1, belonging to the Subscriber—situate on the Long Reach, in the Parish of Kingston, King's County—*Howe's survey*—now in the occupation of JONATHAN WHEPLEY, who hath illegally taken possession thereof—This is to caution all persons, (and in particular the said Jonathan Whelpley) from cutting or carrying off Timber or Hay—on otherwise trespassing on the said Premises, as they will be prosecuted to the utmost rigor of the Law.

THATCHER SEARS,
Saint John, 11th Feb. 1800.

Matthew Partelow,
TAYLOR and HABIT-MAKER,
Prince William-Street,

MOST respectfully acknowledges the favors he has received from his Friends and Customers, in the line of his business, and hopes still to meet with their patronage.

As he is desirous of giving satisfaction to his Employers, he has provided himself with patterns of the latest and most fashionable dresses, and has arranged the business of his shop in such order, as to be regularly furnished with the same.—He therefore begs leave to offer his services to the Public in general, and assures them his exertion shall not be wanting to please those who may favor him with their commands—and is bold to assert, that they shall be served in the neatest and best manner, and on such terms as cannot fail of being satisfactory to his customers.

N.B. Ready made Cloths of all kinds, may be had, and all orders in his line shall be answered shortly after notice.

WANTED,

Two or three Journeymen Tailors, who understand their business perfectly and may be depended upon—none need apply, unless they can be well recommended. Enquire as above.

BENAJAH BURTIS,
HATTER,

RESPECTFULLY informs his Friends and the Public in general, that he has removed his Shop to York-Point, where he purposes to carry on his business extensively—He flatters himself that he will be able to give satisfaction to all those who may please to favor him with a trial.

Ready made Hats may be had shortly after notice, and old ones neatly dressed. Saint John, York-Point, Nov. 5.

THE Executors of the Estate of JAMES SEARING, deceased, are under the necessity of informing all those indebted to the said Estate, either by Bond, Note, or Book Account—that unless their respective balances are discharged on or before the first of May next, they will then be put into the hands of an Attorney to prosecute for the same.

DONALD M'KAY,
SAMUEL LOCKWOOD.
St. John, Feb. 11, 1800.

ALL Persons having any Demands against the Estate of CHRISTOPHER SOWER, Esq. late of the City of St. John, Printer, are requested to present the same within Twelve Months to THOMAS WETMORE, in St. John; and those indebted to the said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to him.

HANNAH SOWER, Adm'x,
THOMAS WETMORE, Adm'r.
St. John, 10th August, 1799.

THE Creditors of the late ELIAS HARDY, Esq. of the City of St. John, deceased, are requested to exhibit their accounts duly attested within six months, and those indebted to make immediate payment to

MARTHA HARDY, Administratrix,
THOMAS WETMORE, Administrator,
St. John, 18th February, 1799.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of JAMES EVERIT, late of Digby, mariner, deceased, are requested to exhibit the same within Eighteen Calendar Months, for adjustment—and all those indebted to said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to either of the Subscribers. CATMARINE EVERIT, Administratrix.

JAMES REID, Administrator,
Digby, May 6, 1799.