SELECTED POETRY.

THE BOSOM FRIEND.

ZOUNDS! A WIFE—AND SO HE MARRIED."

WHAT ills could mortals here endure,
What gains entice them, or allure,
If Friendship was not known?
Naught here below could pleasure give,
No mortal long would wish to live
A stranger, and alone.

But Friendship gives to life a sweet,
A "sovereign balm" for ills we meet,
Whilst trav'ling here below;
It brings us ease in midst of pain,
Or soothes the anguish of the brain,
And gives us joy for woe.

Hence, how much more supremely blest,
More wise,* more happy than the rest
Are those, who've truly found,
A sincere, faithful, bosom friend,
To lighten cares, and troubles end,
And spread sweet smiles around.

Yes, happy must that mortal be,
O! may I be as blest as he
Before my days shall end,
And in the paths of virtue find
One that is lovely, good, and kind,
A true, and sincere Friend.

*Two heads are better than one.

Edinburgh, February 17.

The great match for one hundred guineas a-side, undertaken by Mr. Hollingsworth, an Oxfordshire farmer, to do 150 miles in forty-eight hours, was commenced near Ilford, on Tuesday morning at five o'clock. The pedestrian took a circuit from Colchester into Newmarket road, and across to the Woburn road, and to finish between St. Alban's and Dunstable. He accomplished 30 miles, without fatigue, at 12 o'clock, after, having eaten some leg-of-mutton chops, refreshed with sherry, he did the other thirty miles at eight o'clock, when he retired to rest until twelve o'clock. At five o'clock in the morning, he had performed nineteen miles, when he breakfasted, and made another start at six o'clock, having done four miles more than half his ground. He did twenty-eight miles in six hours, and, at six o'clock in the evening, he had forty-seven miles to do in the next twelve hours. He did twenty-three in the next six hours, when he resigned near Market Street, at three o'clock, through fatigue and lameness, sixteen miles from home.

INGENEOUS INVENTION.—On Monday week, Mr. Bayne exhibited on the basin of the Caledonian Canal, the model of a frigate, to be impelled by the prower of the screw against wind and tide. Several gentlemen attended to witness the success of the experiment, and were highly gratified by the manner in which this "Fairy Frigate" performed her various evolutions. The simplicity of this ingenious contrivance has been much admired.

SUICIDE COMMITTED BY A BRUTE ANIMAL.—A Correspondent writes as follows to the Editor of the Dumfries Courier:—A few days ago, when taking a ride, before dinner, round the lawn, in front of the house at Friar's Carse, in company with another gentleman, we perceived a sheep on the opposite side of the river Nith, belonging to the flock of a respectable farmer on the estate of Dalswinton, separate from the rest of its companions, and, in seeming *perfect* health, boldly advance towards the banks of the river. It then dashed into the water, and having proceeded nearly to its depth, without swimming, it immediately put its head under the water, leaving its back only visible while in the act of drowning. While writhing in the agonies of death (which were visible to each of us from the convulsive motions in its back, which remained during the whole period above water) we expected every moment to see it raise its head; but no! Bent on self-destruction, it kept its head firmly under water, until the convulsive throbs became less apparent, and until life was totally extinguished."

CATTLE CONSUMED IN LONDON.—The consumption of sheep and Lambs in London, in twelve months, has been estimated at the number of 1,062,700; the number of horned cattle slaughtered, at 164,000; and by the [illegible] return, it appears the number [illegible] produced at Leadenhall market [illegible] 2,900.

[illegible] of Liverpool has brought writs of right for the recovery of an estate in Ireland, which has long been in *abeyance*, of £8000 a year; and also an accumulated personal property of more than half a million. His prospects of success have been pronounced to be very favourable by several lawyers of the first eminence.

CAUTION TO SERVANTS.—A case was decided on Wednesday at the Court of Requests in Bath, a servant man suing his master for a *month's wages* in consequence of his being dismissed from his situation *without a regular notice*. The defendant having proved *negligence of duty* and *disobedience of orders* by the complainant, the Commissioners decided that a master or mistress is not bound to retain a negligent or disobedient servant in their employ, after repeated but fruitless admonition; and that a servant thus offending is not entitled to recover an extra month's wages, in case of sudden dismissal from his situation.

In the night of the 23d ult. a number of men, with fire-arms, went into the village of Longwood, on the borders, of Meath and Kildare, Ireland, where they surrounded the house of a farmer named Goolding, and, after having taken him out of the house, set it on fire, fired a number of shots and remained until the whole of the concerns, with some fine cows, were consumed. The damages amounts to above £300. The only reason that can be assigned for this outrage is, that Goolding had lately taken a farm at a rent exceeding what is prescribed by the ribbon system.

We regret to learn, that Lord Erskine, who is residing at his seat in this country, has lately experienced a third attack from indisposition, and that his Lordship is in a precarious state.—*Brighton paper.*

FATAL BOXING.—A very severe battle was fought on Wednesday morning, at Benwell, near Stanmore, between Robert Desborough, a workman on the canals, and Thomas Humberstone, a millwright, in consequence of a quarrel at a public-house, when Humberstone struck Desborough. They contended against each other for three quarters of an hour after Desborough had his jaw broken; and after the combat had lasted nearly four hours, Humberstone dropped down senseless, and he died in the field, as it was supposed, from an internal rapture. It is said, that the combatants had more than 100 falls each.

AWFUL EFFECTS OF A THUNDER STORM.—The village of Trawsfynydd, in the county of Merioneth was visited, on Saturday evening, the 6th instant, by a tremendously heavy thunder storm. The peals were terribly loud and frequent, and the lightning extremely vived. Shortly after the commencement of the storm, the electric fluid, entering the chimney of a cottage in the village, where the whole of the family, consisting of five, sat by the fireside, struck the father and one of his sons, both of whom instantly expired; another child received so severe a shock that he lost an eye, and the rest of the family suffered very materially though not dangerously. Happily there is no account of any other destructive effects of the storm. The father's name was Hugh Thomas, for many years surveyor of the County Bridges.

A shocking event which took place at Maestricht lately, proves both that human wickedness is without bounds, and that the vengeance of Heaven is inevitable. A newly-married couple were obliged by the badness of the weather to cross a little wood on foot. They were attacked by a band of villians, ill-treated, stripped, and finally hanged upon the trees. No trace by which the ruffians could be pursued remained. A carrier, on passing, discovered the unfortunate victims: on shaking them he perceived that the husband was dead, but that the young woman had slipped one of her hands between the cord and her neck. He covered the unhappy [illegible] frock, placed her upon his car, and conducted her to the nearest inn to have her taken care of. Coming among the persons who were suppling, greatly affected, he related the shocking adventure, and showed them the young woman. One of the spectators, agitated, cried out loudly, "Heavens! it is the woman that we hanged!" This cry was a clap of thunder to his accomplices, who fled in every direction; they were pursued, several were arrested, and there is no doubt that a severe act of justice will soon avenge the victims, their families, and society.

NOTICES.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of JOHN JENKINS, late of the Parish of Kingsclear, in the County of York, Esquire, deceased, are requested to present the same, duly attested, within THREE months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

PENELOPE JENKINS, Adm'x.
EDWARD W. MILLER, } Adm'rs.
MICHAEL C. HAILES, }
Kingsclear, 16th February, 1819.

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 any legal demands against the Estate of JESSIE PHILLIPS, of Queen's County, deceased, are desired to render them duly attested, to the Subscribers, within six months, and all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

THOMAS PHILLIPS. Adm'r.
ELIZABETH PHILLIPS. Adm'x.
Gagetown, 10th Oct. 1818.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING any demands against the Estate of *Benjamin Dean*, late of the Parish of Burton, County of Sunbury, deceased, are requested to render their accounts, duly attested, within three months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to the said Estate are desired to make immediate payment to

SAMUEL NEVERS, Adm'r.
Burton, 19th March, 1819. 3mp.

ALL PERSONS

INDEBTED to the Subscriber, either by bond, note, or book debt, are hereby notified that their accounts, if not settled by the first of June next, will be put into the hands of an Attorney to collect.

EVEAN MUNRO.
Maugerville, 19th March, 1819.

ALL persons having any demands against the Estate of BENJAMIN BURPEE, late of Burton, in the County of Sunbury, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested, within six months from the date hereof: and all persons indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

SARAH BURPEE, } Ad'x.
NELSON DE VEBER } Adm'r.
Sheffield, 3d 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 requestd 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 ot 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.

NOTICES.

ALL Persons having any demands against the Estate of the late PETER CRISTY, Esq. of Saint Stephens, deceased, are desired to render their accounts duly attested, within twelve months from the date hereof; and all those indebted to said Estate, are requested to make immediate payment to

NANY CRISTY, Adm'x.
St. Stephen's, 19th Sept. 1818.

ALL PERSONS

HAVING any demands against the Estate of JOHN DAYTON, late of Queensborough, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested; and those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

CATHARINE DAYTON, Adm'x.
Queensborough, 7th Nov. 1818.

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.

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. 1819.

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.

THE Subscriber being about to leave this place requests all those indebted to him, to call and settle their accounts by the twenty-fourth of June next, or they will be indiscriminately at that time put into the hands of Attorney to collect.

WM. WATTS.
Fredericton, 20th April 1819.

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, }
A. FRASER, Senr. } Adm'rs.
Miramichi, 11th March, 1819.

ALL Persons having any Demands against the Estate of *Sarah Allan*, late of the parish of Nelson, deceased, are requested to render their accounts duly attested, within six calender months from the date hereof; and all persons indebted to said Estate, are desired to make immediate payment to

JOSEPH SAUNDERS, } Executors.
JOHN CLARK, }
Miramichi, 2d Feb. 1819. 6m.

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