

PORT'S CORNER.

SLANDER.

Oh! who is she, whose pale and furrow'd cheek,
Of many a secret crime appears to speak?
Whose sunken eyes within their sockets roll,
As if to picture her victim's soul,
To seek some stain that in a careless hour,
First laid it open to her vengeful power?
Whose scowling eye-brows seem to give the lie,
To the affected smile that hovers nigh?

Yes—it is Slander: See, her pointed dart,
Is levelled now at Virtue's trembling heart;
In vain her faded victim strives to fly,
Malicious pleasures glow in either eye,
As she beholds it writhe in agony,
Beneath her mortal blow. Its misery
Fills every feature with a fierce delight,
While she exults, and glories in her might.

As the fell Simoom's pestilential breath,
Is burden'd with the envenom'd shafts of death;
As all that breaths existence, shrieks aghast,
Before the power of the destroying blast,
So lovely Innocence, by Slander cross'd,
Is in her awful toils forever lost.
No aid can then preserve the lovely flower,
No arm can snatch it from her withering power.

'Twas envy who first gave this monster birth,
And bade her offspring be a curse on earth;
Who taught her first with modest steps to tread,
E'en while she raked the ashes of the dead;
'Twas she who bade her learn the treacherous art,
To twine herself with smiles around the heart,
And when, alas! that chafin' was won,
To whisper to her victim, 'thou'rt undone.'

Oh! that some power benign would raise its arm,
To crush the wily serpent, that can charm,
E'en while it stings. Oh! that the world might be;
From defamation and vile slander free,
But vain the wish! Where innocence is found
Insidious Slander, still will hover round:
Yes—she will spread in every clime her curses,
And be the bane of man, while earth endures.

RINALDO.

St. Herbert.

A TALE.

(Continued.)

"After several days of careful attention, we perceived with pleasure that our guests recovered apace, especially the driver, who in less than a fortnight requested leave to depart to quest of the party from which they had been separated—Julius came to me; 'I will intrude upon your goodness no longer (said he) but I think I am not sufficiently recovered yet to undertake a journey—recommence me therefore to one of your neighbours as a boarder, and permit me sometimes to spend a social hour with you and Miss St. Herbert.' 'I prize you Julius, (returned I) and if our society will add to your felicity, you may enjoy it as long as your health and business require your stay; this house shall be your home, you cannot be an intruder.' The Summer sped away as on the wings of the wind, we were all as happy as friendship and simplicity could make us: now and then indeed our tranquillity was a little interrupted by letters from Julius's father, desiring him to return, but his constant replies that his health was so delicate that it would suffer from a removal, satisfied the parent in part, and again restored peace to our habitation. When the weather permitted Cuthbert and myself laboured in the garden, or felled some of those trees which intercepted our view of the vast range of mountains in front of us—or else we drew from out some places of the creek such bulky roots and matted weeds as impeded its course, while in others we tumbled huge rocks, against which, as the swollen waters crowded, they complained in low murmurs of the obstruction—some preennial shrubs and simple wild flowers that bloomed upon the bank were the care of Louisa—and they seemed to wear a brighter hue and exhale redoubled perfume when propped up or led by her hand—you may judge how agreeably our time passed, by the idea of it dwelling so long upon the broken heart of an old man—but our quiet had its period, for the father of Julius impatient of his delay, wrote to him, and with the authority of a parent commanded him to return immediately or expect to meet with his severest displeasure. He hesitated not to obey, yet he obeyed with reluctance that every day he set out for his home. When he was departing Louisa, and myself walked with him to the outer edge of the wood and there took our leave. 'Farewell, said the amiable youth in a scarce audible voice, may you both be blest, and ah! in your blissful hours do not forget me, but whenever you wish to remember those who most sincerely love you, think of Julius Cuthbert.'

"So saying, he threw himself into the carriage, and drove away, while Louisa placed her arm under mine, and we proceeded slow and thoughtful toward home. 'He is quite out of sight,' said she at length, turning her head with a sigh. 'He will never tread this path again.' 'Perhaps not, my child (replied I), but he has promised to write to us often, and though the conversation of such a friend is much to be desired, yet since it cannot be obtained, we must not only be contented with such of his sentiments as he may favour us with, but must consider them as his valuable substitutes.'—'They would certainly be a precious acquisition to our little library,' said she smiling, 'but I fear in that great city where he has so many friends, he will forget us.' It cannot be (returned I) for though the generality of men are prone to ingratitude, yet I believe Julius to be one of the few who treasure in their mind, the remembrance of past kindness; but should I be mistaken—should Julius indeed forget us; we will solace ourselves with the reflection that we have done our duty, and we will consider him as dead!

"At our return to the house, we found some of our neighbours sitting at the door, who had come to spend the evening with us; and had brought with them a young lady, who with her mother had come from the village of —, and was going to New-York for her education. We passed the hours as usual, in cheerfulness and innocence. Louisa alone did not seem to relish our rustic chat as formerly—she conversed but little, and now and then turned her bright eyes with a thoughtful air towards the gate, as though there was some one still expected whose presence was necessary to render our festivity complete. The girls per-

ceived it, and upon enquiring for Julius, and being informed of his departure, they failed not to rally her upon what they termed the loss of her lover; piqued at the insinuation of her gravity proceeding from the grief occasioned by his absence, she exerted herself, and soon assumed a gaiety equal to ours, and when the company retired, intreated my permission to pass the night with my neighbour's daughter Ellinor and the young stranger, whose name was Julia Raymond—to which as it was a common request, I consented.

"Mrs. Raymond and the daughter staid in the neighbourhood near a fortnight, during which time Louisa contracted a close intimacy with them, especially the former, who being a well educated woman, and exceedingly intelligent, could not fail of rendering herself agreeable; however, notwithstanding the satisfaction which Louisa seemed to take in her company, I could not but mark with agony the melancholy change in my child's appearance. She grew thin, her colour and strength forsok her, nor did her eyes beam with their wonted lustre—and though she still retained a great flow of spirits, I feared lest some secret care lay rankling in her bosom. 'Alas!' sighed I to myself, 'the sorrows of my heart are about to be enlarged.'

"I disclosed myself to Mrs. Raymond. It is to be wondered at? (asked she) have you not given her an education that qualifies her for society, and do not you exclude her from it?—You procure her books that give her an idea of the world and its pleasures, and you here immerse her in this doleful mansion in the middle of this frightful forest, where, except a few Indians, and a half score of rustics little less barbarous, she sees not the face of a human being. You perceive her to fade daily—surely she sighs for society, and her affection for you, alone prevents her from complaining.—Come, make the experiment; I go to New York in a few days, and will return again in less than a month, let her go with me.' I drew a deep sigh. 'You are apprehensive sir, but I will watch over her, as over a precious deposit, upon whose safe delivery depends the peace and perhaps life of a worthy but superstitious Hermit.'—I consented.—'Come Louisa,' said she, when the girls came in, you are a going to the city with us for a little while, you are melancholy child, and it is only because you are deprived of those blessings to which you have an indubitable right. It was in vain for her to expostulate; we were all convinced that it was necessary for her health, and she was obliged to comply—yes—a few days after, I pressed my weeping darling to my bosom, and bade her a reluctant—a sorrowful adieu!

"She wrote to me by every opportunity, as did Mrs. Raymond, who complained exceedingly that Louisa did not enjoy the pleasures of the city, as she ought—but rather seemed to encourage a thoughtfulness which appeared extremely injurious to her; and upon my arguing with her in the most gentle terms on the impropriety of such conduct, she answered me thus:

"***** The novelty of the city is past, though its hurry and bustle remain—these excited surprise at first, but not pleasure, and since that, surprise is entirely gone, what sensations must they produce in a mind so habituated to silence, regularity, and solitude as mine?—Join not with those, my dear papa, who stigmatize me as a stoic—say not that my heart is not formed for happiness—It surely is, but then it is happiness of a more refined nature, than what is met with in the giddy brilliant circles of fashion.—Mrs. Raymond is constantly with me; she has introduced me into the most crowded companies, where the laws of consequential dress among the ladies, and the success of the last play among the gentlemen, afforded ample and only matter of conversation—I have been at the Theatre, where vice was displayed for execration, and met with approbation—and I have spent several hours of fatigue at the ball room, and then returned home, chagrined to the soul at the numberless impertinencies, which I had been obliged to hear. And these are the places, the objects from which I am to receive satisfaction!—No; I must confess that the pleasures I have known since I came here, are derived from another source—only the pious conversation of our hostess, who is a Roman Catholic, and practises all the virtues she teaches. ***** A few days after the receipt of this letter, Mrs. Raymond restored my amiable girl to my bosom.

"After the first effusions of encountering affections had subsided, and the heart had relieved itself by overflowing, she gave me a detail of almost all that had passed since she left me, and was particularly delighted in delineating the character of the good Papist. As I had been educated with the strongest prejudices against that sect, I heard the description with an indifference which I thought would have silenced her on that head; but she was an enthusiast, and spoke of the beauty of piety in the most exalted strain. Apprehending the commencement of a religious melancholy, I begged her to suspend her narrative, until her wasted strength should be somewhat renewed, and endeavoured to point out the dangerous consequences of dwelling too ardently upon so serious a subject as her last. She acquiesced with so much meekness, that in a little time I persuaded myself she had entirely laid aside her superstitious opinions.

"One night, not being able to sleep, and perceiving through my window, that the moon shone bright—I arose with an intention to traverse the snow-paved paths of my garden, and amuse myself at the harpsicord. 'I will play some solemn airs (said I), and at this dull season they will soften the slumbers of my Louisa.' As I passed along the gallery, I thought I heard some person speaking in a low voice; making a pause, I found it to proceed from my daughter's apartment, and being curious to know with whom she could be conversing at that late hour, for it was past twelve, I approached the door with silent steps—it stood half open, and disclosed to my view only herself.

To be continued.

TO LET.

THAT elegant BRICK HOUSE, and Garden opposite to the Scotch Church, at present occupied by Dr BAYARD.—Apply to SAMUEL STEPHEN, April 5, 1825.

Cod and Scale Fish.

950 QUINTALS for Sale by MERRITT & VAN HORNE.

CHEAP SHOES, &c.

200 PAIR Mens } SHOES,
100 Do. Womens }
100 Do. Childrens }
principally bespoke work—of the best materials;
20 per cent under the usual price.

ALSO:

A few Cwt. of good HOPS,
A few Barrels of good Jamaica SUGAR, and
A general assortment of Groceries and Li-
quors of the first quality, for Sale very
cheap by G. BRAGG,
Feb. 17. Germain Strt. near the Church.

CHAIR MANUFACTORY.

THE Subscriber returns his unfeigned thanks to the Public for past favours, and begs leave to inform them, that he still continues the above Business at his old stand in the Parish of Portland, where may be had an extensive assortment of
Fancy and Windsor Chairs,

As also an Assortment of
CABINET FURNITURE,
AND SPINNING WHEELS

* * * TURNING in all its various branches executed at the shortest notice.

Jacob Townsend.

St. John, July 15, 1823.

E. BARLOW, & SONS,

Have received by the ALBION, from Liverpool, a variety of

British and East-India Goods.

By the BRUNSWICK, from JAMAICA—
RUM, SUGAR, COFFEE, PIMENTO, and DYE
WOODS.

By the SEVIER, from QUEBEC—

PRIME and MESS PORK,
PRIME BEEF,
Barrels FLOUR, and PEARL ASH.

Also, in Store.

DEMERARA RUM,
SUGAR, and MOLASSES.

Which they offer for sale on reasonable terms for prompt pay
June 29

DRUGS, MEDICINES, &c.

Just received from LONDON, via LIVERPOOL,
per Brig ALBION, Capt. MASON.

AN EXTENSIVE ASSORTMENT OF

DRUGS, MEDICINES, PERFUMERY,
PAINTS, OILS, COLOURS,
SURGEON'S INSTRUMENTS, &c.

LABORATORY, foot of King Street, &
St. John, 22d February, 1825.

JUST RECEIVED,

By the Brig AURORA, from LIVERPOOL
A FEW TONS OF

BLISTER STEEL, warranted of the First Quality,
for Sale at the Shop of the Subscriber.
28th December. JAMES WOOD.

HIDES & COTTON.

The Subscribers have just received by the Schr.
MAYFLOWER, Capt. Cock, from Per-
nambuco—

700 DRY Salt'd HIDES, in prime or-
der,

20 Bales COTTON,

Which they offer for Sale low.

HANFORD & RAYMOND.

September 21

CORDAGE & CANVASS.

THE Subscribers have received per Nimrod, from Sun-
derland, on Consignment and offer for Sale:—
162 bolts assorted Brown Canvass,
84 pieces Brown Duck,
8 tons assorted Cordage.

The above will be sold low, and on a credit of 6 months
if required. WILMOT & KIRK.
June 22.

HERRING TWINE.

A QUANTITY of three thread HERRING TWINE
of the very best quality, for Sale cheap by
ALEXANDER SIMPSON.
January 11, 1825.

Wanted,

TWO or three Lads, between 14 and 16 years of age
and of good connections, as Apprentices to the Ca-
binet Making Business. Apply to THOMAS ADAMS, Pr
William-street. Dec. 7.

The Subscriber

BEGS leave to inform his Friends and the
Public, that he has removed to Nelson street
in Mr. McKee's Property, where he carries on
CONFECTIONARY and PASTRY, in all its
branches, he has on hand a Supply of good
SPIRITS and WINES, with Fine and Common
Cordial, at a low price.

N. B. Genteel Board and Lodging.
June 22. JAMES BUIST.

HOUSE AND STORE, TO LET,

IN PRINCE WILLIAM STREET.

THE HOUSE at present occupied by
Mr. Thomas Nibbet, and the STORE
occupied by Mr. William Breeze. Apply at the
Office of SAMUEL STEPHEN.
February 1, 1825.

JAMES WOOD,

Has on hand and offers for Sale, low for Cash or
short approved Credit.—

2 TONS of common English Square IRON,
from $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 $\frac{1}{2}$,
6 Ditto Round $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 $\frac{1}{2}$,
6 Tons $\frac{1}{2}$ inch square,
5 Tons best double refin'd English Iron, from $\frac{1}{2}$
inch to 2 inches square,
7 Do. best Axe Iron,
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Do. best round Do. 6-16 and 7-16,
1 Do. Hoop L. best Blistered Steel.
August 19, 1823.

Goods for Sale.

ROBERT RANKEN, & Co. being desirous to dispose
of their present very general assortment of GOODS,
offer them on moderate terms and at accommodating
Creditors.

The following Articles, if not called for early, will be
Sold by Auction:
8 Tons Copper BOLTS, SPIKES and RINGS,
40 Do. IRON and SPIKES,
100 Do. ROCK SALT,
Suitable for Ship Building; and
1000 Barrels Superfine, Fine and Middlings FLOUR,
November 20.

Administration Notices.

ALL Persons having any just demands against
the Estate of the late JOHN DEMILL, of the
Parish of Hampton, deceased, are requested to
present them duly attested within Six Months from
the date hereof: and all those indebted to said Es-
tate are desired to make immediate payment to
AZER HOYT,
WM. H. RULOFSON. } Executors.
Kingston, March 21, 1825.

ALL Persons having any just demands against the Es-
tate of the late HENRY WHELPLEY, of Kingston,
King's County, deceased, are requested to render 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
TITUS WHELPLEY, Administrator.
March 14, 1825.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against
the Estate of GEORGE YOUNG, late of Swan-
ville, near Belfast, deceased, are requested to pre-
sent the same duly attested, within Six Months
from this date; and all those indebted to said Es-
tate are requested to make immediate payment to
JOHN McLEOD,
Carleton, March 29. Administrator.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against
the Estate of ROBERT BAXTER, late of Dig-
by, Nova-Scotia, Mariner, deceased, are request-
ed to present the same, duly attested, within Six
Months from this date, to Craven Calverley, Esq.
St. John, or to the Subscribers at Digby: and all
those indebted to said Estate, are desired to make
immediate payment.

ANN BAXTER, Executrix,
THOMAS ANDREWS, Executor.
St. John, December 18, 1824.

ALL Persons having any just demands against
the Estate of the late SAMUEL MILES, Mer-
chant of this City, deceased, are requested to ren-
der the same duly attested within Six Months from
the date hereof; and all those indebted to said
Estate are requested to make immediate payment to
MARY MILES,
Nov. 30. Administratrix.

ALL Persons having any just demands against
the Estate of the late UZ BLAKENEY, of
Salisbury, Westmorland County, deceased, are re-
quested to present them within Nine Months from
this date; and all those indebted to said Estate,
are desired to make immediate payment to
ANN BLAKENEY, Adm^{rs}.
WM. BLAKENEY, } Admrs
JAS. BLAKENEY, }
Salisbury, Oct. 26, 1824.

ALL Persons having any just demands against
the Estate of the late HON. WARD CHIP-
MAN, Esquire, deceased are requested to present
the same without delay; and all Persons indebted
to the said Estate are required to make payment to
WARD CHIPMAN, Executor.
St. John, March 22, 1824.

ALL Persons having any legal demands against
the Estate of STEPHEN TOZER, late of
this City, Wheelwright, deceased, are requested to
present the same, duly attested, within Six Months
from the date hereof; and all those indebted to
said Estate are desired to make immediate pay-
ment to
ELENOR ROSS.
St. John, May 17, 1825. Adm^{rs}.

CHEESE.
BS. CHEESE, for Sale by
900 LBS. ALEXANDER McLEOD.
ALSO.—Ship BREAD, CRACKERS, and ONIONS.
November 16.

For the purpose of Closing Consign- ments.

The Subscriber offers for Sale on very moderate
Terms for Cash—approved Notes, or White Pine
Timber deliverable next season.

8 HDS. SIERRY WINE.
170 Boxes Mould CANDLES,
400 Barrels Superfine FLOUR,
9 Tierces Jamaica COFFEE,
East India and British Merchandise, amongst which are
TEAS, SALEMPORES, Flag and other HANDKER-
CHIEFS, CANTON CRAPES, Sewing SILKS, Black
and coloured SARNETS, &c. &c.
Superfine Broad and narrow CLOTHS and CASSI-
MERES, FLANNELS, BOMBAZINS, BOMBA-
ZETTS, 7, 8, 9 and 10-4 Rose BLANKETS, a variety
of Manchester STRIPES and PLAIDS.
250 Pieces assorted Steam Loom and other Shirtings,
10 Cases Wool and Beaver HATS, 7-9, 8-10 and 10-12
WINDOW GLASS, GLASSWARE, EARTHEN
WARE. SAMUEL STEPHEN,
January 18. Auctioneer & Broker.

Halifax and St. John Packet.

THE fast sailing Schooner BROCK,
Wm. HARRIS, Master, intends
running between this Port and Halifax the
ensuing Summer, as a regular Packet; she
will leave monthly, and touch at Yarmouth,
on her route to and from each place. For Freight or
Passage (having good accommodations) apply to
GEORGE INNES, at Halifax, and at this Port to
1. WOODWARD, Jun. South Market Wharf.
St. John, April 12, 1825.

Agricultural Society.

THE Public are requested to take notice that Book
with the Laws and Regulations of the Saint John
Agricultural and Emigrant Society, are open for Subscri-
bers, and will be found at the following places, viz:—At
the Stores of H. GILBERT, South Market Wharf; ROBIN-
SON & TUNGER, North Market Wharf; JOHN M. WIN-
MOT, Market Square; at the Office of W. B. KIRKPATRICK;
and at Dr. BAYARD's, Germain Street; at either of which
places those Members who have already Subscribed will
receive a printed copy of the Laws and Regulations of the
Society. ROBERT BAYARD, Sec^y.
May 10.

REGULAR PACKET

Between St. John and the Bend of PEDICODIAE.
THE fast sailing Schooner ELI-
ZA, THOMAS DUNHAM, Mas-
ter, will commence running as a regular
Packet between this Place and the Bend
of Pedicodiae, about 20th April next, and continue the
whole season. For Freight or Passage having good ac-
commodations, apply to JAMES L. KELLY, Esq. Bend of
Pedicodiae, or at the Store of W. & T. LEAVITT, North
Market Wharf. THOMAS DUNHAM,
St. John, Feb. 22.