

POLTRY.

WINTER.

When the trees are all bare, not a leaf to be seen,
And the meadows their beauty have lost;
When Nature's display of her mantle of green,
And the streams are all bound by the frost;

While the peasant inactive stands shivering with cold,
As bleak the winds northwardly blow;
And the innocent flocks run for warmth to the fold,
With their fleeces besprinkled with snow;

In the yard, when the cattle are folded with straw,
And they send forth their breath in a steam;
And the neat looking day maid sees the mist draw
Flakes of ice that the finds in the cream;

When the sweet country-maiden, as fresh as a rose,
As the careless trips often slides,
And the rustics laugh loud, if by falling she shows
All the charms that her modesty hides;

When the lads and the lasses for company join'd,
In a crowd round the embers are met;
Talk of fairies and witches that ride on the wind,
And of ghosts, till they're all in a fret;

Heav'n grant in this season, it may be my lot,
With the nymph whom I love and admire;
While the icicles hang from the eaves of my cot,
I may thither in safety retire!

Where in neatness and quiet, and free from surprise,
We may live, and no hardships endure;
Nor feel any turbulent passions arise,
But such as each other may cure!

DIVERSITY.

From the (Vermont) WASHINGTONIAN.

A LITTLE PRODIGY.

THERE is now at Montpelier, a boy, whose powers of arithmetical calculation are certainly astonishing. His name is Zerah Colburn; he was born in the town of Cabot in Vermont, and was 6 years old on the 11th of September last. His father, Abia Colburn, has been known to the editor of this paper many years. He is an honest laboring man, in very indigent circumstances, his family depending principally for their daily subsistence on the avails of his daily industry. The boy has never been at school but between six and seven weeks, when he began with his letters, and went through the usual tables of spellings. This was at a woman's school, where reading and spelling only were taught. The boy cannot read without spelling, does not know a figure, and was never in a situation to hear any arithmetical calculations, either at home or abroad. Yet without being taught any thing more than to count 20 or 30, he will solve, quicker than the most expert arithmetician, with a pen, any question put to him in multiplication, provided the two sums to be multiplied together, are each less than 1000. If the sums do not exceed tens—that is, if the number of them amount to 100, the answer will be generally without apparent calculation; and if one of those numbers be not more than twenty, it will be instantaneous, or as quick as the question can be put. Give him your age in years, he will tell it in days. Give him several distinct sums to be multiplied, and demand the total amount, the answer, (altho' the result of apparent calculation, as may be seen by the motion of his lips) is given within a few seconds, and generally correct. It is the object of his father, in thus introducing him to public notice, to procure the means of giving him an education. He has been examined by almost all the members of the Legislature and others, to their uniform satisfaction and astonishment.

The following questions were put by the Hon. Judge Paine, in presence of General Chittenden, Gen. Hunt, Judge Peabody, Judge Crafts, and many other gentlemen, which were all answered promptly, and all but one (how many is 15 times 35) correctly; which, however, on perceiving the error, he immediately corrected.

How many is 9 times 15?
How many is 15 times 35?
How many is 10 times 25?
How many is 12 times 46?
How many is 13 times 79?
How many is 15 times 75?
How many days in ten years?
How many minutes in a day?
How many hours in a year?
How many days in 5 years?
How many does 5 times 25, 6 times 35, and 7 times 45 make in all?

At another time, I put him, among many other questions the following: What is the amount of 4 times 7, 10 times 25, 3 times 79, and 9 times 63? These he answered correctly in about 15 seconds.

It is stated by his father, that the boy was supposed to be an idiot, till he was more than a year old. At the age of 3 he was found to be the brightest in the family.—Nothing more was thought of him till the last summer, when he was observed putting hard questions to other children, which to the surprise of his parents, it was found he could readily answer himself. His father immediately took the multiplication table, and found that he was master of it in any shape that it could be put to him. Since that he has improved in all kinds of knowledge.

When asked how he learnt to answer such questions, he says he does not know. "How do you know it is as you say?" "Why," he replies, "I know it is so, because it is so; that's all the way I know it."

He is rather stout of his age, very comely built, light complexion, with lively blue eyes, and red hair. He has, like his father, 12 toes, and one extra finger on each hand. His mind appears uncommonly active and vigorous; and his questions and answers betray a shrewdness, which rarely appears at the age of 10 or 12. He slips a little in speaking, and his enunciation is rather slow, corresponding with his bodily movements.—Contrary to the advice of his best friends, unquestionably, yet in obedience to the opinions of others, who are regarded as equally correct, his father intends to exhibit him as an object of curiosity, in some of our capital towns, where he will undoubtedly be regarded as an *arithmetical phenomenon*.

THE whimsical and immortal author of *Trilby* Shandy, was married to Mrs. Sterne on a Saturday morning. His parishioners had timely information of this circumstance, and knowing he would preach the next morning at his parish church, and desirous at the same time of seeing the bride, they assembled in such crowds that the church was full before the bell had done tolling. The bride, as was expected, made her appearance, and the country folks indulged themselves with the usual observations, until Sterne mounted the pulpit.—Here every eye was directed to him, and every ear ready to catch the words of his text, which turned out to their utter astonishment, to be the following: *We have toiled all night, and have caught no fish.* The congregation looked at each other; some smiled, others stopped their mouths with their handkerchiefs to prevent them from laughing, while the old folks wore very serious faces, and tho't the humorist a very odd sort of man for a pulpit lecturer. However, they attended to his discourse, which turned out as usual, very instructive, and all went home very highly diverted with the text, except poor Mrs. Sterne, who blushed down to her fingers' ends every step of the way to her home.

Glasgow, Scotland.—By the last accounts great improvements were making in this city. The first stories of some public buildings now existing, are of *Cast Iron*, and make a beautiful and grand appearance.—The foundation of a Lunatic Asylum has been laid with much ceremony; the procession on this occasion extended three miles. A new Observatory has been erected; and a rail road, upon which one horse can draw seven tons. Nelson's monument was built of masonry, at an expense of £35,000. It has been greatly injured by lightning, and is to be taken down and rebuilt.

The following is the supercription of a letter lodged in the post office in N. York. Mr. John Mac Cary, Cary of New York, care of Mr. Edward Nicol Gentleman city of New York America or to Mr. James Mac Cary Boot Maker, &c. city of New York America or to the care of James Mcintosh shoemaker to be given unto Mr. John Mac Cary, living with Mr. Edward Nicol gentleman, city of New York America.

An Examination

of the Public School in this town, will be held on Wednesday the 10th inst. at which the parents of the pupils, and others who are desirous to observe their progress in learning, are requested to attend.
Kingston, 11th Dec. 1810. 2w

FOR SALE,
A QUANTITY of excellent WHISKY, by the Barrel, on reasonable terms for Cash, at the Store of
AUG. BOITON
Kingston, Sept. 25, 1810. 1-U

BAGG & HAGAR,
HAVE just received from LONDON, and offer for sale, at their

Hat Store & Factory,

No. 100 St. Paul Street, Montreal, next door south of Misses Bellows, Gates & Co.
A General Assortment of Gentlemen's fine BEAVER HATS; 6 1/2 Water Proof, Leghorn and Willow, Ladies and Children's beaver and straw BONNETS, of the latest fashions and best quality. ALSO, Military Folding Hats, elegantly trimmed; Hat Trimmings, &c. &c. which were imported upon as good terms, and will be sold as cheap or cheaper than can be bought in the country.
They have also a variety of HATS of their own make, which they are willing to warrant to be as durable as any ever offered for sale in CANADA.
Orders from the country thankfully received and strictly attended to. * CASH paid for FURS.
MONTREAL, Nov. 20, 1810. 1-U

MONTREAL HAT WAREHOUSE,

At the Sign of the MILITARY HAT, No. 54, Old Market Place.

Jabez D. De Witt,

MOST respectfully informs the Public, that he has on hand a most complete assortment of HATS, HAT TRIMMINGS, &c. &c. of which are,
Most superb Military Hats, with ornaments complete.
Gentlemen's most fashionable Beaver Hats, do. Between do. do.
Do. Yeoman crowns do. do.
Do. blk superfine green under do. do.
Do. drab do. do. do.
Do. black do. extra large brims do. do.
Do. drab do. do. do.
Best black water proof silk do. do.
Ditto green under do. do. do.
Do. drab do. do. do.
Do. do. green under silk do. do.
Do. castor do. do.
Roram do. do.
Plated do. do.
Gent's varnished leather Hats for travelling. do.
Servants' ditto do. do.
Boys' Morocco Hats of all colors. do. do.
Do. do. Caps do. do.
Mens' & Boys' fine Cordies. do. do.
Do. common do. do.
Do. Wool Hats of every description. do.
Gold and silver tinsel Cord Bands. do. do.
Common do. do. do.
White and yellow tinsel Cord Binding. do.
Coarse and fine Bowstrings. do.
Morocco of all colors suitable for Hats. do.
Fancy Tip Paper, do. do. do.
Best and common Glue. do.
Logwood, Copperas, Verdigris. do.
Aquafortis, Oil of Vitriol, Clothiers' Jacks. do.
Hatters' do.—Raising Cards. do.
Hat Brushes of all kinds in use. do.
Hatters' Irons, Stammers, Runners down, Pickers, &c. &c. &c. do.

Ladies' most fashionable beaver Hats & Bonnets, viz. White do. Maids' & children's do.
Light fawn do. do. do.
Drab do. do. do. do.
Hair, brown do. do. do.
Olive do. do. do. do.
Purple do. do. do. do.
Blue do. do. do. do.
And Green do. do. do. do.

HAT TRIMMINGS, viz.
Pink Linings Green Linings
Red do. White do.
Orange do. Blue do. [peryd.
Yellow do. Blk do. fr. 1/6 to 3/9
Hat Covers of every kind in use.

BINDINGS.
Best military bindings for cocked hats;
Black Calicoons from 10/6 to 30/6 per Groce.
Best drab do.
Com. do. do.
Best black and drab Bands;
Common do. do.
White and black worsted Looping;
Common white Hat Buckles; steel do.
Yellow Union ditto; white do. do.
Cords and Tassels of all sizes & colors, for
Fancy Trimmings Ladies' Bonnets.
Extra large Cords for Ladies' Pelisses.
Fash. fancy Trimmings for do. [Bonnets
Plumes of all colors, for Ladies' & Children's

All of which will be sold at the most reduced prices, for cash or short and approved credit.
Montreal, Sept. 10, 1810. 1 tf

FOR SALE,

AS PAN of English Horses, rising of 15 hands high, stout built, one 6, the other 7 years old—excellent for the saddle or harness; one a beautiful roan, the other a dark bay. They will be sold together or separate, as may suit purchasers.—Inquire of
SAML. HOWE.
Kingston, December 4, 1810. 11 3w

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Midland District, } BY virtue of a Writ to wit: } of Fieri Facias, issued out of his Majesty's Court of King's Bench, and to me directed, against the lands and tenements of James North, at the suit of James Robins, I have seized and taken in execution lot number twenty-six on West Bay, in the township of Marysburgh, county of Prince Edward, and district aforesaid, containing by admeasurement two hundred acres, and an improvement of about 40 acres, be the same more or less, which will be adjudged to the highest bidder, at the gaol door in the town of Kingston, on the 16th day of April next, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon. And any person or persons who may have any claim to the above mentioned premises, either by mortgage or otherwise, are requested to make the same known to me before the day of sale.
CHARLES STUART, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, October 9, 1810. 3tf

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Midland District, } BY virtue of a Writ to wit: } of Fieri Facias, issued out of his Majesty's Court of King's Bench, and to me directed, against the lands and tenements of Doctor PRINCE, at the suit of Bryan Crawford Esq. I have seized and taken in execution the east half of lot No. 3, second concession of the township of Frederickburgh, in the counties of Lenox and Addington, and district aforesaid, containing by admeasurement one hundred acres, and an improvement of thirty-five acres, be the same more or less; which will be adjudged to the highest bidder, at the gaol door in the town of Kingston, on Monday the 22d of July next, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon. And any person or persons who may have any claim to the above mentioned premises, by mortgage or otherwise, are requested to make the same known to me before the day of sale.
CHARLES STUART, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, 13th Nov. 1810. 8tf

TO BE SOLD,

A valuable stand for a MERCHANT or TAVERN-KEEPER in the township of Frederickburgh, bordering on the Little Creek, near Bradshaw's Mill. The property consists in a neat Dwelling-house, painted Spanish brown, forty-five feet in length and twenty-six feet wide, including a gallery in front, which runs the whole length of the house; the walls and partitions are all built of sound burnt brick; a good brick chimney with two fire-places; there are five rooms on the lower floor, and one bed room on the second. Likewise, a good log store house and a horse stable, and upwards of two hundred acres of most EXCELLENT LAND, bounded on the west by the Little Creek, and on the east side by the east half of lot No. 33, extending from the King's highway southerly, down across the Big Creek.
For further particulars apply to JOSEPH FORSTER, Esq. Kingston, or to the Subscriber at Montreal.
JAMES MANABE.

Lewis Lyman & Co.

HAVE received by the late arrivals, a FRESH SUPPLY of Drugs & Medicines,

Which they offer on their usual terms: Among which are the following articles, viz.

Aloes	Essence of Oil
Anatto	Cephalic Snuff
Antimony	China's Elixirs Pills
Anniseed	Court Plaster
Arrow Root	Castor Oil
Aqua Fortis	Elixir Purgative
Bitter Almonds	Ess. Peppermint
Borax	Bergamotte
Barley Sugar	Lavender
Campior	Lemon
Cantharides	Salt Lemons
Cloves	Godfrey's Cordial
Cinnamon	Hooper's Female Pills
Cassia	James' Analeptic do.
Crem Tartar	Jesuit's Drops
Calomel	Lee's Bilious Pills
Camomile	Refined Liquorice
Copperas	Sol Poignant
Fol Senna	Steers' Opodeldoc
Flor Sulphur	Turlington's Balsam
Gentian	Tooth Brushes
Glauber Salts	Walkden's Japan Ink do.
Gum Arabic	do. Powder
Copal	Windsor Soap
Affaetida	
Guziac	Spts. Turpentine
Icinglass	Dry White Lead
Jalap	Kegs White Paint do. Red do.
Liquorice	Patent Yellow
Mace	Verdigris
Magnesia	Prussian Blue
Manna	Spruce Yellow
Nutmegs	2000 Books Gold Leaf Silver do.
Nutgalls	Flake White
Turkey Opium	Black Lead
Oil Peppermint	Ivory Black
— Vitriol	Whiting
Peruvian Bark	Spanish Brown
Pink Root	Rose Pink
Rhubarb	Dutch Pink
Sago	Velvet Conks
Saltpetre	Bees Wax
Sugar Candy	White Wax
Peppermint Loz.	Honey
Honey	Tartar Emetic
Tartar Emetic	Roman Vitriol
Roman Vitriol	Anderfon's Pills
Anderfon's Pills	Balsam Honey
Balsam Honey	Indigo A.L.S.

A General Assortment of Shop Furniture—Vials assorted—Table Glass—Trepanning & Amputating Instruments, &c. &c. Commission Business transacted as usual.
Montreal, 4th Sept. 1810. 1-U

Writing and Wrapping Paper for sale at this office.

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