

THE WILLING SLAVE

Years on an African Woman, whose favorite Boy was kidnapped by the crew of a boat. The father, maimed by the drifts of the mother, would have restored the child, but the more judicious, chose to retain him, in hopes that the drifts of the mother, who judges her to become a voluntary slave rather than part with him.

OH! Henry, didst thou hear in vain
The moving tale the captive told?
Go then, and heap the fardled gain,
And tell thy fellow man for gold!

Yet when the dings mother row'd
With eager steps and sought her child,
Even tatters, ferns of heart were mould
With her dead man, and gestures wild.

Give her boy, poor foul lad! they cried:
Why agoniz a tender mind?

Harp'don, harp'don! the mate replied;

"Slack fail; I'll ne'er be long behind."

Was to—she kild her children dear,
Beckon'd the boat across the wave—
Yielded them up—
Of her last bid a WILLING SLAVE!

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT.

PLYMOUTH, MAY 10, 1795.

ON Friday last, the Supreme Judicial Court sat in the town, by the Hon. Chief Justice Davis, by a learned and patriotic charge in the Grand Jury; in which, after pointing out their duty with his usual ability and precision, he closed it, with an address to them, on the late alarming and critical state of our national affairs. The sentiment held up in said address, is perfectly coincided with the opinion of the Grand Jury on the subject, that their thought proper, in a very polite letter, to repeat a copy of that part of the charge, for publication.—The application and address are as follows:

THE Grand Jury of the County of Plymouth, present the Hon. Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, with their oaths, for their several and elegant charges, and for other circumstances of the late war, which may be evidence of many advantages, and the removal of many evils which ought to be pointed out—sincerely hope that the present and future generations, will secure all the benefits which they have a just right to expect from the belligerent Confederacy, and the uninterrupted execution of good and undefended neutrals—and desire a copy of that part of the same, for the press, as relates to the situation of our political affairs.

JAMES THOMAS, Foreman, Plymouth, May 10, 1795.

GENTLEMEN OF THE GRAND JURY.—HAVING gone through a statement of your official duties, we find the Jury to add a few observations, which deeply affect the peace, the honor and welfare of our country.

A few days past the effect of our national affairs could not excite in the mind of every thinking man, painful apprehensions of their issue.

At peace with all the world, and in the full enjoyment of every thing which can make a happy people, we were in danger by the incessant exertions of certain individuals, and by means of pretences directed to their views, of having the public mind irritated to a degree that might have transported us into measures, which might have terminated in the destruction of the gallantly brave of our national government and driven from its administration, every man in whom we have been accustomed to confide, and who deserves well of his country.

Next, with great attention, to the course of shrewd and callous agents, a character, the reverse of his countryman who has done and suffered, and will continue, I presume, to do, and suffer for everything that country, while it shall not withhold from him, the bold consolation of every virtuous citizen, the tribute of gratitude for his laborious services.

Should we, therefore, afford a new proof that Republics are ever ungrateful to their most distinguished benefactors? God forbid it.

As we are the first in the world, which hath been formed upon the true principles of civil liberty, and the equal rights of mankind, let us make it manifest, that so odious an oppression cannot easily be applied to America, however it might be to the adopted Republics.

I mean to give those relations to the first magistrate of our nation—they are applicable to us, who have steadily supported him in the pursuits of the best interests of our country—and if he is at all to be esteemed by the great body of the people, they will yet prove us from ruin, in spite of domestic, or foreign intrigues.

Let us hear in mind, that to America is committed the first charge of establishing this important position, in the face of all defendents and their adherents, that mankind were created free, and are made capable of enjoying freedom, that is, all that freedom which is not destructive of the peace and happiness of society.

Should America fail in this glorious experiment what power on the face of the earth can succeed in it?

The people of New England are as yet undivided by an influx of foreigners—they can unite uniformly in their manners, habits and political opinions of government; and if they are not precipitated into measures, under a sudden pull of passion, artificially raised to serve sectional purposes, as they ever have done, so they will continue to discern and pursue the true interests of their country.

On this our national character, if I may follow the expression, I build my hopes of our political salvation, I mean, the preservation of our Federal Government entire, and of each branch of it in the full exercise of its Constitution al power.

I will not def. and to particulars. It is not my duty or inclination in this place.—But I

will say generally, that not having lost my confidence in the administration of our national government, because I do not find or believe, it has betrayed the interest of our country, I feel myself bound not only officially, but as a private citizen, to give it my full support, and to recommend it to my fellow-citizens, study the things which make for our peace. No greater evil can fall upon us, than the loss of our freedom, which is the chief end of man, and the peculiar glory of our country.

"I have never doubted that there was good sense and public virtue enough in the people at large, to sustain and support our free institutions, the energy of our laws, and the true dignity of our National Government, against all legitimate Governments, and the peculiar glory of our own."

"GENTLEMEN.—Sister, before I sit down, to compliment you on your happy change in the aspect of our national affairs, the public mind has been drawn to a serious attention to their very existence—and that the late majority of our Representatives in Congress, on more mature deliberation, have become the minority; by which means the good faith and the union of our national government is so far retarded—and may heaven grant that no onward sedition may again distract in harmony, or the public tranquility."

The foregoing sentiments and the feeling manner in which they were delivered, appeared to excite in the audience, which was very numerous, the most pleasing emotions; and seemed to afford another proof that just political maxim, "the people will always know and do right when the best is done for them."—In this case, the best was done for them.

"SAFETY, before I sit down, to compliment you on your happy change in the aspect of our national affairs, the public mind has been drawn to a serious attention to their very existence—and that the late majority of our Representatives in Congress, on more mature deliberation, have become the minority; by which means the good faith and the union of our national government is so far retarded—and may heaven grant that no onward sedition may again distract in harmony, or the public tranquility."

ELIJAH EATON, *Advertiser.*

Plymouth, May 25, 1795.

WANTED immediately, a number of journeyman Shoemakers, to whom good pay will be made.—Inquire of

SRH RUSSELL.

Northampton, May 30, 1795.

Taken up by the subscriber on the 29th inst. a small boat, loaded to the weight of 100 lbs, general stores, with a break in the fare head, the off eye for light masts and tail, white feather. The owner is desired to prove property pay charges and take him away.

DAVID WOOD.

Wilmington, N.H., May 25, 1795.

Broke into the enclosure of the subscriber, on the nineteenth inst. five halfpenny under side each ear and crop in the same; three do. with halfpenny under side each ear; one do. with crop and fist in the right ear, halfpenny under side of the same. The owner or owners are desired to prove property pay charges and take them away.

DAVID PORTER.

Wilmington, May 26, 1795.

SKATED a pair from the safety of Capt. Lu's Poultry in Chester, May 22, a dark bay, mare, three years old, not dock'd, black mane and tail, tail all. Will return said mare, & give double reward to the person found, will be well rewarded.

OLIVER PARSONS.

Newcastle, June 1, 1795.

Take Notice,

TO all, a FARM lying in Belchertown,

which has been known by the name of WARNER'S TAVEN—the convenient situation

for a Tavern must be unmentioned, as it is

well known to every one who has travelled that road;

it is now improved as a Stage Tavern.—It is situate one mile north of the meeting house, on the P.R. Road, leading from Boston to Northampton.

It is well accommodated with mowing, ploughing

and tillage, and contains ten acres—there is an

excellent spring of water brought into the house,

and is excellent for raising or any other purpose.

The house, barn and out houses are all in good repair, and convenient. For further particulars enquire of the subscriber, living next the premises.

ROBERT STREETER.

Belchertown, May 22, 1795.

Strayed from the subscriber,

on the 18th inst. 16 SHEEP, 11 old Sheep,

and one of them black—most, all marked with

one ear cropt off, and a fist underfeet of the right

ear—5 lambs, not marked, two of them black—

Woolsey has, or shall find sheep, and will reject

them all, as will be necessary to pay said

Taxes, with all intervening charges.

SAMUEL STREETER, Collector

for 1793.

EBENEZER COLSON, jun. Collector

for 1794 and 1795.

Plainfield, March 26, 1795.

Zachariah Field,

Has just received from New York, a general

affairment of English and Hard Ware.

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