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UR PATROWS.

IN Presing our first number to our Patrons, we led it the diffidence of persons entering upon hew and unitied line of business. But it moment's reflection upon the notific objects, which we have in wine. sie priesus which we have in view by the publication of his Johnnal; the expediency of the appearance at this time, when so many schemes at this time, when so many schemes at all action concerning our people procurage he to come boldly before an enlightened publish. For we believe, that a paper devoted to the dissemination of usual knowledge emong our brethren, and to their knowledge among our brethren, and to their moral and religious improvement, must meet with the cordial approbation of every friend to humanity.
This peculiarities of this Journal, render it

important that we should advertise to the world the mouves by which we are actuated, and the objects which we contemplate. .

We wish to plead bur own cause. Too long have others spoken for as. Too long has the publish byon decrived by misrepresentations, in things which concern us dearly. though in the estimation of some mere trifles; for though there are many in society who exercise towards us benevolent feelings; still (with sorrow we confess it) there are others who make it their business to enlarge upon the least trifle, which tends to the discredit of any person of colour; and promounce anathemas and denounce our whole body for the misconduct of this guilty one. Williament that there many inclused of vice animy is, but we avoy that it is because no don has taught its subjects to be virtuous; anally instances of poverty, because no suffiwient efforts accommodated to minds contracted by slavery, and deprived of early educahusband their hard carnings, and to secure to themselves comforts.

Education being an object of the highest importance to the welfare of society, we shall endeavour to present just and adequate views of it, and to urge upon our brethren the necessity and expediency of training their children, while young, to habits of industry, and thus forming them for becoming useful members of society. It is surely time that we should awake from this lethergy of years, and make a concentrated effort for the education of our youth. We form a spoke in the human wheel, and it is necessary that we should inderstand our condence on the different parts, and theirs on us, in order to perform our part with propri-

Though not depirous of dictating, we shall feel it our incumbent duty to dwell accasionally upon the general principles and rules of economy. The world has grown too enlightquel, to estimate any man's character by his personal appearance. Though all men acknowledge the excellency of Franklin's maxims, yet comparatively fow practise upon them. We may deplore when it is too late, the neglect of these self-evident truths, but it avails little to mourn. Ours will be the task of admonishing our brothren on these points.
The civil rights of a people being of the greatest value, it shall ever be our duty to

vindicate our brethren, what oppressed, and to lay the care before the publick. We shall also ungo union our breakern, (who dro tho expediency of using their elective frunchild; and of making an independent use of the same. We will them not to become the tools of party

And as inuch time is frequently lost; and

works of trivial importance, we shall consider it a part of our duty to recommend to our young readers, such authors as will not only enlarge their stock of paoful knowledge, but such as will also serve to stimulate them to higher attainments in spience.

We trust also, that through the columns of the FREEDOM'S JOURNAL, many practical, picces, having for their bases, the improvement of our brothron, will be presented to them from the pans of many of our respectod friends, who have kindly promised their assistanco.

It is our earnest wish to make our Journal madium of intercourse between out brethren in the different states of this great confederacy: that through its columns on expression of dur sentiments, on many interesting subjects which concern us, muy be offered to the publick: that plans which apparently are beneficial may be candidly discussed and properly weighed; if worthy, receive our cordial approbation; if not, our marked disapproba-

Useful knowledge of every kind, and every thing that relates to Africa, shall find a ready admission into our columns; and as that vast continent becomes daily more known, we trust that many things will come to light, proving that the natives of it are neither so ignorant nor stupid as they have generally been supposed to be.

And while these important subjects shall occupy the columns of the Farrook's Jons. wart we would not be unmindful of our brotheon who are still in the fron fetters of boudage. They are our kindred by all the ties of miture; and though but little can be effected by us, still let our summathies be poured forth, and our prayers in their behalf, ascend to Him who is able to succour them.

From the press and the pulpit we have suffored much by being incorrectly represented. Men, whom we equally love and admire have not hesitated to represent us disalivantageously, without becoming personally acquainted with the true state of things, nor discerning between virtue and vice among us. The virtuous part of our people feel themselves sorely aggriced under the existing state of things—they are not appreciated.

Our vices and out degradation are ever arrayed against us, but our virtues are passed by unnoticed. And what is still more lamentable, our friends, to whom we concede all the principles of humanity and religion, from these very causes seem to have fallen into the currant of popular feeling and are imperceptibly floating on the stream-actually living in the practice of prejudice, while they bjure it in thoory; and feel it not in their hourts. Is it not very desirable that such should know more of our netual condition, and of our efforts and feelings that in forming or advocating plans for our sinelioration, they may do it more understandingly? In the spirit of candor and humility we intend by a simple representation of facts to lay our case before the publick, with a view to arrest the progress of preju-dice, and to shield ourselves against the consequent wils. We wish to conciliate all and to irritate none, yet we must be firm and unwavering in our principles, and persovering in our officts.

It ignorance, poverty and degradation have hitherto been our unhappy lot; has the Eternal decree gone forth, that our race slope are to remnin in this state, while known are and civilization are shoulding their enlighbert rays over the rest of the human family? The wrong principles matilled, by the perusal of the interior of Africa, and the interior recent travels of Denham and Clapperton is

patrative which they have published; the establishment of the republic of Huyti after years of sanguinary warfare; its subsequent progress in all the arter of civilization; and the advancement of liberal ideas in South America. where despotism her given place to free governments, and where many of our brothron now all important pivil and military stations, prove the contrary.

The interesting fact that there are rive num neb whousand free persons of col-our, one half of whom might peruse, and the whole be bonefitted by the publication of the Journal; that no publication, as yet, has been devoted exclusively to their improvement that many selections from approved standard authors which are within the reach of few, may occasionally he made—and more important still, that this large body of our citizens have no public channel—all serve to prove the real necessity, at present, for the appearance of the FFREEDOM's JURNAL.

It shall ever be our desire so to conduct the editorial department of our paper us to give offence to none of thir patrons; as nothing is farther from us than to make it the advocate of any partial views, either in politics or religion. What few days we can number, have been devoted to the improvement of our brethren; and it is our carnest wish that the remainder may be spent in the same delightful service.

In conclusion, whatever concerns us as a people, will over find a ready admission into the Francis Linux, interwoven with all the principal news of the day.

And while every thing in our power shall be performed to support the chracter of our Journal, we would respectfully invite our numercus friends to assist by their communications, and our coloured brothren to strongthen our hands by their subscriptions, as our labour is one of common cause, and worthy of their consideration and supporti. And we do most earnestly solicit the latter, that if at any time we should seem to be realous, or too pointed in the inculcation of any important leason, they will remember, that they are equally interested in the cause in which we are engaged, and attribute our zeal to the poculiarities of our situation, and our carnest engagedness in their well-being.

THE EDITORS.

## From the Liverpool Mercury. MEMOIRS OF CAPT. PAUL CUFFEE.

" On the first of the present month of Aucargo from Sierra Leone : the owner, master, mate, and whole crow of which are free The master, who is also owner, is the son of an American s'ave, and is said to ba very well skilled both in trade and navigation, as well as to be of a very pious and mo-ral character. It must have been a strange and an animating spectacle to see this free and enlightened African, entering a an independent trader, with his black crew into that port, which was so lately the nidus of the trade.- Edinburgh Review for August,

We are happy in having an opportunity of confirming the above account, and at the same time of laying before our readers an author-tic memoir of Capt. Paul. Cuffee, the master and dwiter of the vessel above alluded to, we sailed from this port on the political and the sail and desire of the vessel above alluded to, who sailed from this port on the 20th ulti with a license from the Dritish Government, to prosecute his intended voyage to Sierra Leono... The father of Paul Cuffee was a native of Africa, whence he was brought as a slave into Massachusetts. He was there purchases. by a person named Slovini, and remained in slavery a very considerable portion of his life. He was named Culfed, but as it is usual in those parts, took the name of Slovini, as ex-pressing to whom the belonged. Like many

of his countrymen he possesses superior to his condition a sign diligent in the business of his diligent in the burness of the faithful to his laterest, yet by and scopony he was displied to personal liberty. At the time several Indianases, who origined the right said, resided in Multiple became acquainted with scended from one of those tribing Moses, and married her. He habits of industry and frugality torwards purchased a farm of 100 more point in Massachusetts.

point in Massachusetts. "Cuffee and Ruth had a family of the dren. The three eldest sons and then, and John are farmers in the ne hood of West Point; filling respect hations in society, and endowed with a tellectual capacities." They are all in and have families to whom they are good educations. Of hix daughters are spectably married while two remains the tellectual capacities. Paul was born on the Island of Cutter ker, one of the Elizabeth Islands, near Bedford, in the year 1750 when he about fourteen years of age, his father leaving a considerable property in lan which being at that time unproductive; a ed but little provision for his numerously, and thus the care of supporting his and sisters devolved upon his brother commerce furnished to industry more amp rewards than agriculture, and he was scious that he possessed qualities which un suc commercial employments with prosp of success he therefore entered at the of success—he therefore entired at the use of sixteen, as a common hand on heard of the ressol destined to the bay of Medical of whaling voyage. His second voyage with the West Indies, but on his third he was careful. tuned by a British ship during the American about the year 1776 and the two wer, about the year 1775 and three detention as a prisoner, at New-York his owing to the unfortunate continuance of his-tilities he spent about two years, in his seri-cultural pursuits. During this interval Paul and his brother John Cuffee, were called on by the collector of the district, in which they r wided, for the payment of a personal tax. titution of Massachusetts, taxation and the whole rights of citizenship wore united I the laws demanded of them the payment of the personal taxes, the same laws must necessarily and constitutionally invest them with the right of representing and being repre-sented in the state legislature. But they had never been considered as ontilled to the priviloge of voting at elections, nor of buing elected to places of trust and honor. Under the circumstances they refused payment of the demands. The collector resorted to the force of the laws, and after many delays and tentions, Paul and his bronter degrade it more the state of the prudent to silence then by paying the mands to obtain the rights which they believed to obtain the rights which they believed to connected with taxation. They prosent respectful petition to the atto legislature. From some individuals it met with a way From some indignant opposition. rable majority was however far their object. They perceived the their object. They perceive a large and justice of the petition, and justice of the petition, and orable magnationity, in defiance of the times, they passed withing all free persons of color liable to according to the cetablished ratio men, and granting them all the pris longing to the other citizens, equally honorable to the petilovislature-a day which outh fully remembered by every within the boundaries of Mache the names of John and Paul C always be united with its To be Conti

COMMON SCHOOLSON N pears from the report of of Common Schools in th State, 721 have law i That in p

PONTRY THE APRICAN CHIEF.

Chain'd in the parket place he stood, Chain'd in the pariest place he stood,

A main of gisht frame,
Amid the gathering multidade,
That shrunkin sear his name—

All stern of let and strong of limb,
His dark extra he ground—

And allowith the land on him,
As on'a homeout d.

Vainly, but was a lat chief had fought,
He was a catter new;
Yet pride, that foure humbles not,
Was written in his brow.

The scars his diff broad posom were.
Showed warries true and brave;
A Prince among this tribe before,
Ho could not be a slave

Then to his conggerors he spake - My brother life King;
Undo this seckled from my neck,
And take this gracelet ring;

And send no where my Bother roigns, And I will fill fly heads With stord of tropy from the plains, And gold dust from the sands."

"Not for thy jvograp nor thy gold Will I unbind shy chain,
That bloody hand shall never hold. The battle speer again.

A price thy nation never gave Shall yet be paid for thee;
For then shall be the Christian's slave, In lands beyond the sea.'

Then wept the warrior chief, and bade
To shred his looks away,
And, one by one, each heavy braid
Before the victor lay.

Thick were the platted locks, and long, And deltly hidden there Shone many a wedge of gold among The dark and crisped hair.

"Look, feast thy greedy eye with gold, Long kept for sorest need; Take it—thou askest sums untold— And pay that I am freed.

Take it—my wife, the long, long day Weeps by the cooos tree, And my young children leave their play, And ask in vain for me."

I take thy gold—but I have made Thy fetters fast and strong, And ween that by the cocoa shade Thy wife will wail theo long."

Strong was the agony that shook.
The captive's frame to hear,
And the proud meaning of his look,
Was changed to mortal fear.

His hear was broken—craz d his brain.
At once his dye grow wild,
He strungled filrody with his chain,
Whispered, and wept, and smiled

You were not long those fatal bands, And once at that of day, They drove him forth upon the sands, The fold hyona's pre: -020-

EFFECTS OF SLAVERY.
From the N.Y. Christon Advocate.
Mr. Editor.—A low days since the following fact, which occurred sill or eight weeks ago, on S. — n origint, was related to me. It took hold of my feelings in a very peculiar manner, and oxcited within my bosom a greatmanner, and excetted within my boson a grea-or dotta ation of slave dealing as well as of those who engage in this petarious practice, than I ever realized before! I test in my own mind that such individuals are unworthy of a place in society, and should be treated by ev-ery philanthropist with cold noglect. The ears of God are open to the cries of the lum-dreds whomalther laws tree from the religion dreds whom they have torn from the society of those who rendered life agreeable to them. How great and tramendous then will that acbe which shall be summed up against count them in the day of eternity.

" OMEGA."

A few works since, there was a sale of the effects of the late Dr. Market Haras. Among other things were soveral slaves. One of thom, a man named Villiam, was a momber of the Metholist Epincopal church at the on this circuit. As far as I can ascertain, he was a very plous humble Christian, and usewas a very plous humble Christian, and useful among the people of his own color, by holding incetings and occasionally exhoring them. Among those present at this sale was slar. W. from a neighboring city, a man who I have fold does nothing for a livelihood but go about to purdiased neuropes, and employ others to do so. 'To this detectable person was poor William knocked off, for about \$265. 'When the man was going to quit the place, he ordered William to stretch out his hands in order

every honest man would do: however with much piety and resignation, he submitted.— Then it was that his colored friends began to Then it was that his colored friends began to weep bitterly: William turned his lattention to them, and with a becoming dignity and Christian fortitude, which melted the hearts of all present, but the hard and seared one of his purchaser, said "Don' cry for me; God is every where." This so affected those around, that a Mr. S \*\* \*\* offered Mr. W \*\*\*; \$400 for the man. But he refused it, and poor William was driven off. Where he now is I know not; but I think it more than probable. William was driven off. Where he now is I know not; but I think it more than probable, that he is far, very far from his native place, as I am informed that the same man, a short as I am informed that the same man, a short time after, put four or seven waggon loads of slaves on board a vossel which has already sailed from B\*\*\*--\*\*e. Foor William! my heart feels for you more particularly, when I think that you may full into the hands of some lard, tyrannical master; but fear not, your "God is every where;" and you shall feel the truth of that promise given to the disciples of Josus, "Lo I am with you always, even to the end of the world."

VARIETIES.

Alvantage of Choosing a Wife by Proxy.—
Among other observations, we took occasion to inquire, whether the practice of the elders and eldrosses (of the sect of the Moravians) in selecting a partner for a young man who wished to marry, was not sometimes attended with serious inconveniences. Hut they seemed to have no doubt, that this regulation produced have no doubt, that this regulation produced more happy marriages, thin would be effected by leaving the parties to choose for themselves. A lively and sensible person, with whose conversation we were particularly pleased, took occasion to give us his own experience on the gubject. He expressed himself to the following effect. "When I wished to change my situation in life, I applied to one of our olders and conveniented the matter." to change my situation in life, t applied to one of our elders, and communicated the matter to him. He asked me whether I had any particular young woman in view; I replied in the negative, and that I wished my superiors to choose for me. Pleased with my answer, and the confidence reposed in them, he assured me that the greatest care should be taken to what for me, matter, who would be in red me that the greatest care should be taken to select for me a partner, who would be, in every respect, proper for me. The elders and eldresses consulted together; and, after a cuntable time, fixed on a young woman, whose disposition and qualifications were correspondent to my own, and which they thought were adapted to make me happy. We were introduced to earn other mathe presence of our superiors. The interview was favorable; we became mutually attached; and in a short time we were married. (The event has perfectly an avered our mest sungime hopes. results should not have chosen so happily, if left is decide for myself; but I am certain I could not have made a letter choice." He concluded his observations with a degree of ammation and satisfaction, which precluded all doubt of the truth of his assertions -Me-

The Egg Trade. Few people have any i iea of the extent to which the trade in Eggs is carried on, as an article of export and the port. A friend of oursi recently conversed with an Irish gentleman in this town, who had come here for the purpose of selling some of that "sarplus produce" of grain which, according to one of our statesmen, is the cause of Irish starvation, and who is also engaged in the egg traffy. Ho stated to our friend that he generally ships from ten to filten crues per week of this "merchandise" from crues per week of this "merchandise" from the filten produce of the article has greatly increased, it seems, within the last year than two or three years: and in the last year than loo crates, or 700,000 eggs berweeld the entry leads of the cause have been sent from Dublin to England not less than 100 crates, or 700,000 eggs berweeld the entry leads of the cutton of the entry leads of the desired and the content between the less than 100 crates, or 700,000 eggs berweeld the entry leads of the cutton of the entry leads of the desired and the content less than 100 crates, or 700,000 eggs berweeld the entry leads of the cutton of the entry leads of the cutton of the entry leads of the entry leads of the cutton of the entry leads of the e 7000 ergs. The trade in this article has greatly increased, it seems, within the last tarted two or three years; and in the last year there two or three years; and in the last year there two or three years; and in the last year there two or three years; and in the last year there two or three years; and in the last year there two or three years; and in the last year there two or three years; and in the last year there two colors, and in Octavity of the year of the article.—The general price in Dublin is five shillings per flundred, but the hundred, it must be remembered, is calculated according to a serie of irish arithmetic, and in plain English amounts to 124; the odds being probably a serie of all of the shillings of the probably a serie of all of the shillings of the probably a serie of all of the shillings membered, is calculated according to a sort of Irish arithmetic, and in plain English amounts to 124; the odds being probably a sort of allowance for breakage and chance of overkeeping. It thus appears that 18000, per week, or something better than 700000, per appuna, is expended in Publin in eggs for exportation alone! It would not be a vary was portation alone! It would not be a vary as matter to calculate the number of eggs consumed in Publin itself, seeing that good Catholics look upon egg-cating as fasiling, and taking into-consideration the number of Catholics, and the quantum of fast days which taking into-consideration the number of Catholics, and the quantum of fast days which their church enjoins. The eggs are collected from the country all round Dublin; but are principally brought from the province of Connaught, where, probably the Konsewices are more expert in the rearing of fowls than is any other part. There is also a considerable trade in this article from Bolfast. The eggs are packed in straw, which is laid a foot thick at the bottom of the crate; upon this is placed a layer of eggs, then a layer of straw,

to be tied. He rather shrunk from this, as and so on until the crate is filled. But these every honest man would do: however with eggs are not all consumed in Manchester and much piety and resignation, he submitted.— Liverpool; the latter supplies Birmingham, Then it was that his colored friends began to and the former sends to the "hard-fisted artisans of Sheffiold" a portion of Connaught's surplus produce.—Kesdal Chronicle.

> Chinese Fushioner -It is well known that in China a ridiculous custom provails, of rendering the feet of their females so small, that they can with difficulty support their bo-dies. This is doomed a principal part of their dies. This is deemed a principal part of their beauty; and no swathing or compression is omitted, when they are young, ito give them this fancied accomplishment. Every woman of fashion, and every woman who wishes to be reckoned handsome, must have her feet so small, that they could easily enter the shoe of a child of six years of age. The great toe is the only one left to act with freedom; the rest are doubled down under the foot, in their tenderest infancy, and restrained by tight bandages, till they unite with and are huried in the solo. I have hispected a model of a in the solo. I have inspected a model of a Chinese lady's foot, exactly of this description, which I was assured was taken from life. The length was only two inches and threetion, which I was assured was taken from life. The length was only two inches and three-fourths; the broadth of the base of the hed seven-eighths of an inch; the broadest part of the foot, one and one-fourth of an inch; and the diameter of the ankle, three inches above the heel, one and seven-eighths of an inch. Gentil assures us, that the women, in the northern parts of China, employ every art to diminish their eyes. For this purpose, the girls, instructed by their mothers, extend their eye-lids continually, with the view of making their eyes oblong and small. These proporties, in the estimation of the Chinese, when joined to a flat tion of the Chinese, when joined to a flat note, and large, open pendulous ears, con-stitute the perfection of beauty.—Dicks. Phil of Religion.

A widow, of the name of Rugg, having taken Sir Charles Price for her second hus-band, and being asked by a friend how she liked the charge, replied, "O, I have sold my liked the charge, replied, old Rugg for a good Price."

DIED—In this city, on Friday the 2d inst. Mr eter Lawrence, aged 38 years.
On Saturday the 3d inst. Mr. John B. Mitchell,

aged 28 years. On the third inst. Mrs. Betsey Madison, aged about 40 years.

MARINE LIST.

ARRIVED, March 9, Ships Queen Mab. Bulman, from Havra, sailed Jain. 17, with duy goods, specie, &c. Envoy, Whoston, 12 days from Savannah, with cotton, Commodore Perry, Thorp, 7 capatrom Charleston, cotton and rice. Earque Four Bons, Adams, 16 days fin and rice—Barque Four Sons, Adams, 16 days for St. Croix, (west end) with sugar and runt.—Brigs, Gen. Collin, Collin, Johnson, 7 days for St. Johns, N. B. with plaister. Balvidere, Vose, 20 days from Mobile, with cotton. I vanhoe, Tinkham, 60 ds for Palerino, with orangenand lemons. William Penn, Tupper, 20 ds for Mobile, with cotton. Pheasant, Bailoy, 11 ds for Savvaniah, with cotton.

March 11.

Ship Robert Fulton, Britton, fin Liverpool, sailed Feb. 9th; with dry goods—Srig North Caroli-

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ments.

Believing that all men are equal by nature, we indulge the pleasing anticipation that as the means of knowledge are more extensively diffused among our people, their condition will become improved, not only in their daily walk and convertion, but in their denestic economy.

Our columns shall ever be open to a temperate discussion of interesting suffects. But in respect to matters of religion, while we concede to them their full importance, and shall occasionally introduce articles of this general character, we would not be the advocates of any particular sect or party.

party.

In the discussion of political subjects, we shall ever regard the constitution of the United States as our polar star. Pledged to no party, we shall endeavour to urge our brethren to use their hight to the elective franchise as free citizens. It shall mover be our object, to court controversy, though we must at all times consider ourselves as cham-

we must at all times consider ourselves as champions in defence of oppressed humanity.

As the diffusion of knowledge, and raising our community into respectability, are the principal motives which influence us in our present undertaking, we hope our hands will be upheld by all our brethren and friends.

SAMUEL F. CORNISH,
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Recommendations. The following Testimonials in favour of the gen-tlemen who propose a paper in this city, more especially adapted to the wants and circumstan-

especially adapted to the wants and directionstances of coloured people, have been handed to use for publication: we insert them the troop readily, because we believe them to be justly merited.—New York Observer.

From the Rev. Samer, H. Cox, Pastor of the Laight-street Church, New York.

Being well requalited with the Rev. Samuel E. Cornish, and having good evidence of the character of his collargue, John B. Russwerm, A. B.; and they having become co-editors of a weekly paper, designed chiefly for the reading of their coloured brathren; I, am free to express my conficured brathren; I. am free to express my conficured brathren; I. am free to express my conficured brathren; I. am free to express my conficured brathren. oured brothren; I am free to express my confi-dence in the promise of their enterprize, and in the relative competency with which its concerns will be conducted. New-York, Jan. 17, 1827.

I am acquainted with the Editors, and consider them very competent to the undertaking of the proposed work: they are well known in this city as respected and valuable citizens.

New-York, 1st mo. 17, 1827.

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