

POETS CORNER.

It is requested that some profound Scholiast will undertake to explain the following metrical Soliloquy, which is shrewdly conjectured to contain something in it very deep and curious: but no one, who is not conscious to himself of extraordinary penetration, needs attempt it; as it has already baffled all the Tortures of many sagacious Enigmata-logists.

Quoad Tempus versus Quantum meruit.

"Omnis Vis, omnis Lepos, atque omne Argumentum in TO
"Quod versantur. — Burgersdic. in Aristot. Categ.

"I Am clearly of Opinion, that
"An Interest which is acquired under
"A subsisting temporary Law, does
"Not drop, upon the Expiration
"Of the Law: and that Mr. B***lay's Claim
"Of Dues for the Year Seventeen Hundred
"And seventy, quoad the Time the Law
"Subsisted, must be directed by that
"Law. — And I am also of Opinion,
"That quoad the Time 'twixt the Expiration
"Of the Law, and the first of November
"Seventeen hundred and seventy, Mr. B***lay
"Is intitled generally to To-
"bacco, by Virtue of the Act in One
"Thousand, seven hundred and two:
"Provided that Act has the Force of a
"Subsisting Law; if not, that ther, Quoad
"Such Time, He is entituled only to a Quan-
"tum meruit for his Services.
"The Cafe being thus circumstanced, I am
"Under much Difficulty, as to the
"Question, whether an Action will lie
"Against the Sheriff upon his Office-
"Bond. When an Act of Parliament gives a
"Particular Remedy, that Remedy ceases
"When the Law expires. The Inspection Law
"Impower'd the Sheriff to levy the
"Clergy's Dues by Execution. While this
"Law subsisted, the Sheriff had a com-
"petent Remedy to enforce a Payment:
"And therefore, upon that Principle, He was
"Chargeable, upon Default of Collection.
"But, when the Law fell, this Authority
"Of the Sheriff determined: how then can
"The Sheriff be chargeable, when the legal
"Means are wanting, to enable Him to
"Compel a Payment of the Dues? As to
"The Act of Assembly of Seventeen hundred
"And two, I am clear in my Opinion,
"That the Authority given by that
"Act, to levy by Execution,
"Cannot extend to Dues payable under
"The late Inspection-Law: for these are
"Differently circumstanc'd, and of a
"Different Nature from the Dues payable
"Under the Act in Seventeen hundred and two.
"The Dues under the Law, were payable
"Totally in Tobacco, and at Forty
"Per Poll; and the Sheriff there only could
"Proceed to Execution, when the
"Party fail'd in such Payment, in such To-
"bacco, and in such Quantity per Poll.
"But the Dues under the late Inspection-
"Law are payable in inspected Tobac-
"co, at thirty per Poll, or in Money
"At three Shillings and ninepence. Can the Sher-
"iff, by Virtue of the Act of seventeen
"Hundred and two, proceed to Execu-
"tion for such Dues? The Assembly when
"They fram'd the Inspection-Law, being
"Aware of this Difficulty, and rightly
"Conceiving that the Change of the Clergy's
"Dues into a different Species of
"Payment, wou'd require a fresh Provision
"For the Recovery of Them, re-en-
"acted the Remedy by Execution.
"If different Ideas had been en-
"tertain'd, this Provision wou'd have been
"Nugatory. Again, by the Inspection-
"Law, the Party indebted has an Al-
"ternative, to suffer his Person, or
"His Effects to be executed for
"Dues payable under that Law: by
"The Law seventeen hundred and two, no
"Such Alternative is given, but the
"Person of the Party is, at all E-
"vents, liable: This Alternative may
"Be considered as an Interest acquired

"By the Party indebted, and therefore
"No Authority can be legally
"Exercised, which would eventually
"Strip him of it. — But, admit the Fact, that
"The Sheriff's Authority to levy,
"By Execution, was actually
"Subsisting; upon what Principles can
"He proceed to apportion Mr.
"B***lay's Dues, or demand so much Quoad
"The Time the Law subsisted; and so much
"Quoad the Deficiency of the Year?
"After collecting the Dues quoad the
"Law subsisted: how can the
"Sheriff ascertain precisely the Re-
"sidue, or, in any Manner, come at
"The Balance, without assuming an ar-
"bitrary Valuation of Tobacco?
"As to Tobacco, or Money, already
"Collected upon voluntary Payments,
"There can be no Doubt but the Shrieve
"Is answerable, at Law, by a Suit
"Upon his Bond. Mr. B***lay states his Cafe,
"That there was no Assessment by the Jus-
"tices of the County Court; and that the
"Common Usage and Practice of the Coun-
"ty, has been to collect without an As-
"sessment. How far Practice and Usage may
"Influence the Cafe, I cannot say: But,
"I am strongly inclined to believe, that
"Without such Assessment the Sheriff has
"No Authority to levy the Dues of
"The Clergy by Execution.
"To sum up all Circumstances, quoad the Cafe,
"The Question, as plain as the Noie in your Face,
"Is this: What Expedient shall Mr B***lay
"Now fall on, his Dues to make People pay?
"I judge he has no legal Remedy,
"But must fly for Relief to the Chancery.
"And I think moreover that all his Parishioners
"Are alike in the same Condition as
"The Sheriff: that is, I mean, truly to say,
"Being subject the thirty per Poll for to pay
"Must be Parties in the Bill in Chancery.
"The Bill may regularly (don't mind the Size)
"Every Blood and Ounds of the Parties comprize."

N. B. The Manuscript, from which the above Copy is faithfully transcribed, verbatim, syllabatum & propè Punctuatum, was found among the KEIMELIA of a celebrated Virtuoso lately deceased. It has suffered the Injuries neither of Time nor Accident, in any Particular, excepting in one single Word, which We conjecture to be a proper Name, but which, however, We have not ventur'd to fill up.

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A PURSE of Twenty Pounds, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, the best of Three Three Mile Heats, to carry Weight for Inches, viz. A Horse, &c. of 14 Hands high, to carry 126 Pounds, Saddle and Bridle included, and to raise and fall 14 Pounds the first Inch, and 7 Pounds for every Inch they may be higher or lower.

On Wednesday the 16th, at the same Place, will be run for, a Purse of Ten Pounds, with the Entrance Money of the first Day added, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, the best of Three Three Mile Heats, to carry 9 Stone, Bridle and Saddle included.

On Thursday the 17th, at the same Place, will be run for, the Entrance Money of the second Day, a Sweep-Stakes, blooded Horses excepted.

The Horses for the first and second Day to be entered with Moses Rawlings, on Monday the 14th of September, and to pay, if a Subscriber, One Shilling in the Pound, if not, Two Shillings, and if at the Post double, the winning Horse, &c. the first Day only excepted.

Proper Judges will be appointed to determine all Disputes that may arise. (w4)

Baltimore County, August 10, 1772.

THE Administrators to the Estate of the late Rev. Andrew Lendrum, of St. George's Parish, desire all Persons who have any Demands against the said Estate to bring or send in their several Claims, and all those who stand indebted in the Books of the deceased, by Bond, Note, or Account, are requested to come forthwith, and settle and discharge the same, or they will be proceeded against (without respect to Persons) as the Law directs, by

ROBERT LENDRUM,
JOHN LEE WEBSTER

THREE POUNDS REWARD.

Fredericksburg, June 16, 1772.

RAN away from the Subscriber, on Tuesday the 9th Inst. a Convict Servant Man, named William Jenkins, by Trade a Cabinet-maker, he is about Forty-five Years of Age, about Five Feet One or Two Inches high, is of a fair Complexion, wears his own Hair, which is short and gray: He carried with him, an old dark gray Kersey Coat, Onabrig Shirt and Trowsers; as he has been on board several of his Majesty's Ships, he will very likely endeavour to get on board some Vessel as a Sailor. Whoever takes up the said Servant, and conveys him to me, shall have the above Reward. THOMAS MILLER.

FORTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living on Morgan's Run, near Little Pipe Creek in Baltimore County, Maryland, an Irish Convict Servant Man, named JAMES RILEY, about 30 Years of Age, a stout well set Fellow, about 5 Feet 9 or 10 Inches high, round shouldered, short sandy coloured Hair trimmed on the Top of his Head, red Beard, gray Eyes, down Look, slow in Speech, and has lost the little Finger of his left Hand: Had on and took with him, a light mixed coloured Broad Cloth Coat with yellow Buttons, which has been turned and the Pockets moved from the Side to the Folds, Leather Breeches patched in the Crotch, a Holland Shirt and Jacket, a Pair of Thread Stockings, a Pair of white Worsted ditto, black in the Green Shoes with plain Silver Buckles, Felt Hat trimmed round the Edge, black Barcelona Stock with a plain Copper Buckle. Whoever takes up the said Servant, shall have, if taken 50 Miles from Home; Pounds, if 100 Miles 5 Pounds, if 150 Miles 10 Pounds, if 200 Miles 15 Pounds, and if 300 Miles the above Reward (including what the Law allows) if brought Home, paid by

RICHARD OWINGS, Son of Samuel

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Piscataway, August 6, 1772.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of George Hardy, late of Prince George's County, deceased, are desired to pay off their Accounts before the First of October, and all those who have any Claims against the said Estate, are desired to bring them in legally proved, that they may be paid off.

LUCY HARDEY, & J. E. THOMAS DENT.

N. B. Notice is also given to all Persons indebted to the late concern of Hardy and Dent, to pay off their Accounts or settle them, by giving Bond with Security if required, to the surviving Partners before the First Day of October, otherwise they shall depend on being warranted or sued.

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