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"All like the purchase; few the price will pay; And this makes friends such miracles below. A friend is worth all hazards we can run. Poor is the friendless master of a world: A world in purchase for a friend, is gain." YOUNG. Mariana, in his History of Spain, relates that a countryman having killed Lucius Piso, the governor of the kingdom, was subjected to
torture, in order to extort from him a confession of his confederates. He endured the first day's torments with invincible courage; but, mistrusting himself on the second, he slipped out of the hands of the executioner as he was going to the rack, and dashed his head with such violence against a stone wall, that he died immediately. How honourable thus to
sacrifice life, rather than to be forced, through extremity of pain, to disclose that which he had sworn to conceal! FAITHFUL NEGRESS.[edit] In the dreadful earthquake which made such ravages in the Island of St. Domingo in the year 1770, a negress of Port-au-Prince found herself alone in the house of her master and mistress, with their youngest child,
whom she nursed. The house shook to its foundation. Every one had taken flight; she alone could not escape, without leaving her infant charge in danger; she flew to the safety of her foster child, she threw herself over it, and serving as a sort of
arch, saved it from destruction. The child was indeed saved; but the unfortunate negress died soon after, the victim of her fidelity. THE UNFORTUNATE GIAFAR.[edit] The Caliph Haroun Alraschid was undoubtedly one of the greatest princes that ever reigned, and his temper was in general merciful and generous; but one action of dreadful and unrelenting
cruelty must ever remain an indelible stain upon his memory. Giafar, his vizir, of the noble family of Bermeki, was esteemed the most eloquent orator, the best writer, and the finest gentleman in the empire. The caliph delighted in his company, and made him a partner in all his amusements. The prince had at the same time an amiable sister, named Abassa
in whose conversation he took uncommon pleasure. The company of his favourites the caliph wished to enjoy together. But this the etiquette of Eastern courts denied, as nothing but an alliance with the royal family could give Giafar the privilege of entering the inner apartments. To remove this obstacle, Alraschid had recourse to a singular expedient. He gave
Abassa to Giafar in marriage, but strictly enjoined him never to approach her but in his presence. Under this painful restraint they for some time lived. But nature at length proved too powerful for the caliph's commands. They deceived his vigilance, and Abassa became a mother. A female slave betrayed the secret, and Abassa was driven with ignominy from
the royal palace, reduced to wander in the most wretched attire, and to beg charity of the meanest subject of her unrelenting brother. Giafar was beheaded. His family, his dependants, his domestics, were imprisoned, butchered, and proscribed; and death was denounced against every person who dared to mention the family name. Yet such was the
veneration in which the Bermecides had been held by all ranks, that absolute as the caliph was, his commands were here disregarded. An old man in particular, named Mondir, who during their prosperity had received from them many favours, went every day to the deserted dwelling of the unhappy Giafar; where, from a movmd of ruins, he expatiated to
thousands of grateful hearers on the virtues and beneficence of these illustrious men. The caliph in a rage at last ordered Mondir to be brought before he died. The caliph consented. Mondir made no apology; he promised no
change of sentiments; and he asked not for mercy. But he enlarged upon the benevolence of those unfortunate noblemen with such pathetic eloquence, that even the caliph was at length touched; and he not only pardoned the man, but gave him a golden plate, which was placed before him; on receiving this, Mondir prostrating himself before the caliph, "
Behold," says he, " even in this, a new favour from the erased accounts of Eread Street in the year 1506. Before his death he forgave all his debtorsi and wrote upon the erased accounts of each, " Amore Dei remitto /" Cardinal Wolsey
was the chief mean of this worthy citizen acquiring his large fortunes. After the disgrace of the Cardinal, Mr. Fitzwilliam very hospitably entertained him at Milton, Northamp- tonshire, one of the fine scats of the present Earl. Henry VIH. was so enraged at this, that he sent for Mr. Fitzwilliam to court, and said, "How, ha! how comes it, ha! that you dare entertain
a traitor?" Fitzwilliam modestly replied, "Please your highness, I did it not from disloyalty, but gratitude." The angry monarch here interrupted him by, •' How, ha!" (the usual exclamation of his rage.) Mr. Fitzwilliam, with the tear of gratitude in his eye, and the burst of loyalty in his i)osom, continued, "From gratitude, as he was my old master, and the means of
my greatest fortunes." Impetuous Harry was so niucli pleased with the answer, that he shook him heartily by the hand, and said, " Such gratitude, for few of them have any." He then knighted him on the spot, and Mr. F. was immediately sworn in a privy
councellor. CHELONIDA.[edit] Leonidas, King of Sparta, suspecting a conspiracy was formed against him, fled to the temple of Minerva for shelter; upon which Cleombrutus, his son-in-law, seized on the reins of government. Leonidas being informed of this, made his escape, and took with him his daughter, the wife of Cleombrutus, who chose rather to fly
with her father than reign with her husband. When Leonidas, a short time after, was restored to the throne, he advanced at the head of a band of soldiers to the temple, where Cleombrutus, upon this change of affairs, had fled for refuge. He there reproached him with great warmth for assuming the regal power, in violation of the ties of affinity between them
and for expelling him from his own country in so ignominious a manner. Cleombrutus testified his confusion by his silence. His wife, Chelonida, stood by with her two children at his feet. She had been equally unfortunate as a wife and a daughter; but was equally faithful in both, and had always adhered to the unfortunate side. All who were present melted into
tears at so moving a sight, and were struck with admiration at the virtue and tenderness of Chelonida, and the amiable force of conjugal love. The unfortunate princess, pointing to her mourning habit and disheveled tresses, said. "Believe me, O my father! this habit of woe that I now wear, this dejection which now sits upon my countenance, and these
sorrows into which you see me sunk, are not the effects of that compassion I entertain for Cleombrutus; but the sad remains of my affliction for the future in Sparta, and triumph over the enemies who opposed you, shall I continue to live in the
desolate state to which you see me reduced? Or is it my duty to array myself in robes of royalty and magnificence, when I behold the husband I received from you in the flower of my youth, on the point of perishing by your dagger? Should he be unable to disarm your resentment, and move your soul to compassion by the tears of his wife and children, permit
me to assure you that he will be punished with more severity for his imprudence, than was even intended by yourself, when he shall see a wife who is dear to him expiring at his feet; for you are not to think that in my present condition I can ever consent to outlive him. How shall I appear among Spartan ladies, after my inability to inspire my husband with
compassion for my father; or to soften my father with pity for my husband? What indeed shall I appear to them, but a daughter and a wife always afflicted and contemned by her nearest relatives?" Chelonida, at the conclusion of these words, reclined her cheek on that of Cleombrutus, while with her eyes, that spoke sorrow in her tears, she cast a languid look
on those who were present. Leonidas, after a few moments' consultation with his friends, ordered Cleombrutus to rise, and immediately to quit Sparta; but earnestly importuned his daughter to continue there, and not forsake a father who gave her such a peculiar proof of tenderness, as to spare the forfeited life of her husband. His solicitations were however
ineffectual; and the moment Cleombrutus rose from his seat, Chelonida placed one of her children in his arms, and took the other in her own, and became a voluntary exile with her husband. PANTHEA AND ABRADATAS.[edit] In the memorable victory which Cyrus obtained over the Assyrians, Panthea, wife to Abradatas, King of the Susians, was made
captive. Her husband was not in the battle, being employed at the time in negociating an alliance betwixt the Assyrians and the King of Bactria. Cyrus calling to him Araspes, the companion of his youth, committed Panthea to his care, with strict injunctions to behave towards her as he would to the wife of a brother. In a short time, however, Panthea found that
her charms had made such an impression on Araspes, as rendered it no longer safe to remain under his guardianship. She made the danger of her situation known to Cyrus, who immediately removed Araspes, and placed her in safer hands. Panthea, grateful for this conduct of the conqueror, and admiring his many excellent qualifications, endeavored to
gain her husband Abradatas over to his side. She knew there was no cordiality between him and the King of Assyria, and that he wished nothing more earnestly than an opportunity to quit his semce. Abradatas was overcome by her solicitations, and went over to Cyrus with two thousand horse. Panthea informed her husband of the virtuous and honorable
conduct which Cyrus had himself observed, and made others observe, towards her. "What can I do, Panthea," said Abradatas, "to show my gratitude to Cyrus," and taking him by the hand, said, "O, Cyrus! in return for the benefits you
have bestowed upon us, I give myself to you an ally, a servant, and a friend." From that time, Cyrus had no ally more attached to his interest than Abradatas. The morning of the day on which Cyrus overthrew Crcesus, Panthea brought to her husband, preparing him for battle, a golden helmet, bracelets for his wrists, a purple robe, and a crest of a violet color.
These things having been prepared without his knowledge, he said to her, "Have you made me these, Panthea, by destroying your ornament." Proceeding to put on the armor, tears trickled down her cheeks, though she endeavoured to restrain
them. Abradatas, in this dress, appeared most beautiful and noble. Pantliea, after desiring all that were present to retire, spoke as follows: "O, Abradatas! if ever there were a woman who regarded her husband more than her own soul, you know that I am she. And yet, though I stand thus affected toward you, I swear by our mutual friendship, that rather
would 1 be put under ground with you, approving yourself a brave man, than live with you in disregard and shame. We both lie under great obligations to Cyrus, for when I was a captive, and chosen for himself, he kept me for you, as if I was his brother's wife." Abradatas, struck with admiration at her discourse, gently took her hand into his, and lifting up his
eyes to heaven, made the following prayer: " O, great Jupiter! grant me to appear a husband worthy of Panthea, and a friend worthy of Cyrus." Having said this, he mounted his chariot and moved along. Panthea could not help following, till Abradatas seeing her, said, "Have courage, Panthea, the gods take care of the virtuous." And on this she was
conducted to her tent. Although Abradatas in his chariot made a noble appearance, he attracted no eyes till Panthea was gone. The victory that day was complete; Cyrus routed his enemies, and got possession of their camp. Toward the evening, when the battle was over, Cyrus calling some of his servants, inquired whether any of them had seen Abradatas?
But Abradatas was now no more; he was slain in breaking in upon the Egyptians; and Cyrus was informed, that Panthea had retired with the dead body to the bank of the river Pactolus; that her servants were digging a grave for it; and that she herself was sitting on the ground with the head of her dead husband upon her knees. Cyrus, hearing this, smote his
breast, and hastened to Panthea. Seeing Abradatas lying dead, he shed tears, and said, "Alas, thou brave and faithful soul! hast thou left us, and art thou no more?" At the same time he took him by the right hand, which came away, for it had been cut off in battle. The woman, smothering her grief, took the hand from Cyrus, kissed it, joined it to the body, and
said, "The rest, Cyrus, is in the same condition. But why should you look upon this mangled body? For you are not less affected than I am. Fool that I was! Frequently did 1 exhort him to show his friendship for you; and I know he never thought of what he himself might suffer, but of what he should do to gain your favor. He died, therefore, without reproach;
and I, who urged him on, sit here alive." Cyrus, shedding tears, replied: "He has died, woman! but his death has been glorious, for he has vanquished his enemies. Honors shall be made that are due to the memory of a brave man." Having said this, he went
away, with great concern for the woman who had lost such a husband, sorrowing also for the man who had left such a wife behind him, never to see her more. Panthea ordered her eunuchs to retire, " till such time," said she, " as I have lamented over my husband." She retained only one faithful female attendant; and commanded that, when dead, she should
be wrapped in the same mantle with her husband. The servant, after repeated remonstrances, finding her entreaties unsuccessful, broke into a flood of tears. Panthea, being provided with a sword, fell upon it and died. The maid-servant, setting up a most lamentable cry, covered the bodies as she had been directed. Cyrus, informed of this melancholy
scene, hastened to the place, and poured forth a flood of unavailing lamentations over the hapless pair. Their funeral rites were performed in the most solemn manner, and a lofty monument (reeled, to preserve to future ages this bright example of conjugal virtue and attachment. ==FIDELITY TILL DEATH. Among the persons who were accused of being
accomplices with John of Swabia, in the assassination of the Emperor Albert, was the Baron Vonder Wart; though, according to the unanimous testimony of early and later historians, he had not taken any imme- diate part in the deed itself. He was bound alive to the wheel. His wife, Gertrude, did not forsake her xmhappy husband even in his last moments;
and she describes those dreadful hours in a letter addressed to Margaret Freianstein, which is inserted in a work published at Haerlem in 1818, entitled, " Gertrude Vonder Wart, or Fidelity till Death; a true History of the Fourteenth century; by J. C. Appenzeller." The following is the letter of the most faithful of wives. "I prayed under the scaffold on which my
husband was fastened alive upon the wheel, and exhorted him to fortitude. I then arose, and with thick pieces of wood built myself a kind of steps, by means of which the wind had blown all over it. * I beseech you, leave me! Oh, 1 beseech
you!' he ex- claimed continually. 'When day breaks, should you be found here, what will be your fate? and what new misery will you bring upon me? O God! is it pos- sible that thou canst still increase my sufferings?' " ' I will die with you! tis for that I come, and no power shall force me from you,' said I, and spread out my arms over him, and implored God for
my Rudolph's death. 14 PERCY ANECDOTES. "The day broke slowly, when I saw many people in motion opposite us: I replaced the thick pieces of wood where 1 had found them. It was the guard, who had fled on my appearance, but had remained near the spot; and, as it seemed, caused a report to be made of what had past; for at day break all the
people, men, women, and children, came flocking out. of the town. " As more people approached, I saw also several women of my own acquaintance; among them was the wife of the bailiff, Hugo von Winterthur; I saluted her, and begged her intervention with her husband, that he might order the executioner to put an end to my husband's cruel sufferings. " '
He dare not do any thing for me,' sighed Wart upon the wheel, again moving his head at this moment, and looking down upon me with his swollen eyes. He dare not do any thing; the queen pronounced the sentence, and the bailiff must therefore obey; otherwise, I had well deserved of him that he should do me this last kindness.' "Some persons brought me
bread and confectionery, and offered me wine to refresh me; but I could take nothing; for the tears that were shed, and the pity that animated every heart, and was kindly expressed, was to me the most agreeable refreshment. As it grew lighter, the number of jicople increased; I recognized also the sheriff, Steiner V^on Pfungen, with his two sons, Conrad and
Datlikon: also a Madame Von Nefteu- back, who was praying for us. "The executioner came also; then Lamprocht, the confessor. The fust said, with a sigh, 'God have compassion on this unhappy man, and comfort his soul!' FIDELITY. 15 The latter asked Rudolph if he would not yet confess? Wart, with a dreadful exertion of all his strength, re- peated the
same words that he had called out to the queen, before the tribunal at Brugk (denying the charge). The priest was silent. "All at once I heard a cry of 'Make way!' and a troop of horsemen halted. Fathers and mothers held up their children
in their arms, and the guard with their lances formed a circle, while the tallest of the knights raised himself in his stirrups, and this was Duke Leopold. "My heart ceased to beat, when another knight with a scornful smile said, ' Let him writhe as long as he has feelmg! but
then people must be gone. Confounded wretches! this sighing and crying makes me mad! IVo pity must be shown here; and she here, who so increases the howling, who is she? what does the woman want? away with her.' "I now recognized the voice of the queen. It was Agnes, in the dress and armour of a knight. I remarked immediately that it was a
woman's voice, and it is certain it was Agnes. "It is Wart's wife,' I heard a third knight say. 'Last night when the sentence was executed, we took her with us to Kyburg. She escaped from us, and I must find her here then! We thought that in her despair she had leaped into the moat of the castle. We have been seeking her since this morning early. God! what
faithful love! Let her alone; nothing can be done with her.' c 2 16 PERCY ANECDOTES. "I here recognized the mild-tempered Von Landen- berg. How well did he now speak for me! I could have fallen at his feet. - sions, danced with green wreaths upon their heads. At their departure, each couple received from their majesties a handsome present to carry
home. COURSING. The amusement of coursing is of great antiquity, and is treated of by Arrian, who lived in the year 150. It was first practised by the Gauls, the most luxurious and opulent of whom used to send out good hare- finders early in the morning, who returning to their employers with an account of their success, they mounted their horses, and took
their greyhounds to course them, but never ran more than a brace at a time- Coursing has been always a favourite sport with the English, and many British sovereigns have indulged in it. The high spirit and courage of the greyhound, has PASTIME., 77 frequently shown itself in extraordinary exertions. In November, 1792, Lord Egreniont's gamekeeper was
leading a brace of greyhounds coupled together; a hare crossed the road, and the dogs instantly broke from their conductor and gave chase, fastened as they were to each other. When the have was at length killed, after a course of
between three and four miles. In October, 1796, a similar occur- rence took place in Scotland, where a brace of grey-hounds, have often occasioned their destruction. An in-stance of this occurred many years ago to a famous dog belonging to the Rev. Mr.
Corseillis, who chanced to be wind-bound at Dover. A hare in the neigh- bourhood had beat all her pursuers, when this dog was tried against her. He was so superior in speed, and pressed her so closely, that she run for the cliff as her only chance of escaping; but the greyhound threw at and caught her at the brink, and svent with the hare in his mouth to the
bottom of the precipice, where they were both literally dashed to pieces. In December, 1794, a company of gentlemen were coursing at Finchingfield in Essex; a hare was started, and a brace of greyhounds belonging to Mr. N. Tourd, coursed a hare over
the edge of a chalk- n 3 8 PERCY ANECDOTES, pit at Offham, Sussex, when both hare and clogs were found dead at the bottom. EXTRAORDINARY CHASE. Many years since, a stag was Imnted from Whin- field Park, in the county of Westmoreland, until by fatigue or accident, the whole pack was thrown out, except two fox-hounds bred by Lord Thanet,
who continued the chase during the greatest part of the day. The stag returned to the park whence he had been driven, and as his last effort, leaped the wall, but being unable to get over it, laid down, and almost instantly expired. The other hound was found dead about half a
mile from the park. The length of this chase is uncertain;' but as they were seen at Red-kirk near Annan, Scotland, distant by the post road about forty-six miles, it is conjectured that the circuitous course the}' took, could not make the distance run less than one hundred and twenty miles! LEAPING FOR LIFE. In the New Forest, is a celebrated spot called the
deer leap, where a stag was once shot. In the agony of deatli, collecting all his strength, he gave a bound wiiith so surprised those that saw it, that it is com- memorated by two posts at each extremity of the leap, the distance between being rather more than eighteen yards. It is com- memorated by two posts at each extremity of the leap, the distance between being rather more than eighteen yards. It is com- memorated by two posts at each extremity of the leap, the distance between being rather more than eighteen yards.
fields ports, and retained his attachment to theni, until prevented by the infirmities of age from their further enjoyment. Upon receiving a packet of letters, he usually opened that from his game keeper first, and in the portraits painted of him, he preferred being dra,wn in his sporting dress. PROFESSOR SAUNDERSON. The celebrated professor of
mathematics at Cam- bridge, Nicholas Saunderson, though quite blind, was so fascinated with the chase, that he continued to hunt until a very advanced period of his life. His horse was accustomed to follow that of his servant; the delight of Saunderson was extreme, when he heard the cry of the hounds and the huntsmen, and he used to express his
raptures with all the eagerness of those who possessed their sight. • SIR MATTHEW HALE. That distinguished lawyer. Sir Matthew Hale, \hen young, delighted much strength. He also learned to fence, and became so expert in the use of his weapons,
that he worsted many of the professors of the art. One of his masters told him he could 80 PERCY ANECDOTES, teach him no more, for he was now better at his own trade than himself. This Mr. Hale looked on as flat- tery: so to make the master discover himself, he pro- mised him the liouse he lived in, for he was his tenant, if he could hit him a blow on the
head; and bade h'\m do his best, for he would be as good as bis word- After a little engagement, his master being really su- perior to him, made a palpable hit on the head. Mr* Hale performed his promise; he gave him the house freely; and was not unwilling at that rate to learn so early to distinguish flattery from plain and simple truth. SPANISH BULL
FIGHTS. Bull fights were formerly reduced to a science in Spain, and there is a book written on the subject, by one of the torreadors. The arenas in which the fights were exhibited, was a kind of circus, with seats round it, placed one above the other. The enter- tainment began by the parade of the piccadores (lancers) dupssed in the full Spanish costume, and
the chulos, those who fought on foot, round the arena. After a short time, an alguaizil, in a black robe and large wig, made his appearance, and then made a hasty retreat. The door of the shed which contained the bull was then opened, and the noble animal
appeared. Stunned by the noisy exclamations of the spectators, and instantly attacked by the lancers with their long lances, he rushed boldly to the, combat. If it liap- pened, as was frequently the case, that a horse should PASTIME. 85 first become his prey, the danger of his rider was averted by the men on foot, who, shaking various coloured stuffs before
the bull, attracted his attention, and dexterously avoided the danger which it was now their turn to brave. The lancers, after tormenting the poor animal for some time, left him to those ou foot, who required all their agility to escape his rage, which was considerably augmented, by their plunging into his neck, by two and two, a kind of arrow, ornamented with
various coloured papers. This bar- barous sport having been continued for some time, the spectators gave the word of command for bis release, by calling the torreador, who alone approached the now exhausted, but still undaunted, animal. The torreador held in one hand a kind of banner, Avhicli he shook before him; in the other, a sword; and while this
single combat continued, the voices of the spectators gradually subsided into a suspensive and awful calm. The decisive blow being given, shouts of applause celebrated the triumphs of the torreadors have fallen victims to the rage of the buii. 'Iliree
mules, ornamented with bells and streamers, were then brought in, and being fastened to the horns of the prostrate bull, dragged him from the scene of blood, to make room for another devoted victim. Although bull fights were formally abolished by Charles IV., yet they are still retained in many parts of Spain. A British officer, who served in the war of the
Peninsula, thus describes a bull fight, which he witnessed in the square of Truxillo. A few minutes after seven o'clock in the evening, 82 PERCY ANECDOTES, five, Spaniards, who were to fight the bulls, appeared in the square, each provided with a brown cloak in the left hand, and a pike in the right. These having taken their posts, one of the bulls was
turned out, who, on making his debut, looked furiously wild, while the air rung with the acclamations of a delighted populace. The honest bull had no idea that such a reception awaited him, as, in all his former perambu- lations, no one had deigned to notice him. He gazed on the passing scene with wonder. In a few minutes he became quite furious.
Perceiving an opening under one of the waggons at the lower part of the square, he darted towards it, in hopes of obtaining liis liberty. The waggon was crowded with men and women, who, at the animal's approach, were precipitated in curious and truly laughable attitudes, from their exalted station, to the same level with the object of their fears. For a time,
every eye was turned to the scene of confusion, anxiously waiting the result of the grand charge of the courageous animal. At this momentous crisis, so big with the fate of many, the Spanish heroes advanced to meet their antagonist, and with savage bellowing, stopped hira short in his victorious career. To one of his tormentors he turned with death-like fury;
and on his head seemed determined to wreak his utmost vengeance. The object of his liatred he pursued with such speed, that every one thought the life of the Spaniard would be for- feited to his temerity. But well the wily Don knew that the bull could be deceived; and, to show us that such was the fact, he permitted the mad animal to get so close, as to
make an attempt to toss him on his horns. Thus situated, the Spaniard had recourse PASTIME. 83 to his cloak, which he threw at the head of the bull, who fancying the man in his power, stopped, and tossed it in the air. The other four were not idle during this rencontre between their friend and the bull. Having come to his assistance, one of them inflicted a
wound in the hip of the poor brute, and made the best of his way to a place of safety, hotly pursued by his enemy, till stopped by the cloak of the fugitive, and the pikes of the others, as before. In this manner the fight continued, till the creature was completely exhausted, unable to shake his head, or raise a foot. In this state he was removed, to make room for
a second, who afforded no sport whatever. The eagerness of the Spaniards to witness this sanguinary amusement, may be judged of from the circumstance, that the produce of the seats will some-times produce upwards of 120,000 rials in the course of a single day j the profits on which are singularly enough applied to support the public hospitals in Madrid.
In Portugal, where bull fights are not unfrequent, the principal cavalier, or hero of this barbarous sport, rashes between the horns of the bull; an act that requires considerable agility, great presence of mind, amidst the shouts of the audience, until
the rest of the combatants rescue him, by over- throwing the bull, which becomes their property. 84 PERCY ANECDOTCS. COCK FIGHTING. It is not known when the barbarous pastime of cock fighting was introduced into England; but it is sup- posed to have been brought hither by the Romans. The bird was here before the time of Caesar's arrival; but no
notice of his fighting occurs earlier than the time of William Fitzstephen, who wrote the life of Archbishop Becket sometime in the reign of Henry II., and describes. the cocking as a sport of school-bojs on Shrove Tuesday. From this time at least the diversion was a popular one in England. It conti- nued to be followed, tliough disapproved, and even prohibited
by the 39th of Edward III., and by several subsequent statutes. The law on the subject proved quite inoperative, and sovereigns themselves were found to countenance its violation. The cock pit at Whitehall, as every one knows, was erected by a crowned liead, for the more magnificent celebration of the pastime; which has hence by some been called a royal
diversion. With the Greeks, who are said to have originated the game, it was at first partly a religious, and partly a political institution; designed to create in the minds of their youth the beginnbigs of martial pride and love of glory; but with the English, it has never been any thing else than a common pastime, as des- titute of usefulness as it is of humanity. The
reproach incurred by the use of this pastime in England, is greatly aggravated by two sorts of fighting, which are known no where else in the world, called the battle royal, and the battle royal an unlimited number of fowls are pitted, and
Avlien they have slaughtered one another for the diversion of the otherwise generous and humane EngUsiimen, the sds, and the forces and properties of their fortunes, are used to be seen; as whether, when he is wronged, he can patiently endure
it, and wisely put it off." FOX HOUNDS. In 1795, a pack of fox liounds after running a fox near an hour in Cambridgeshire, found a brace of fresh foxes. The hounds divided; six couple and a half went away with one of them, and killed it at Weathersfield. One couple of dogs pursued the other, and killed him at Thurlow Park gate. Fifteen couple and a half stuck
to the hunted fox, and killed him at the bottom of Gogmagog Hills, after a chase of one hour and three (piarters without a check, in PASTIME. 99 which time they were supposed to have run near thirty miles. In 1796, the Duke of Northumberland's pack ran a fox into a very large furze cover near Alnwick, called Bunker's Hill, where he was lost in an earth
which no person knew of. On the hounds returning to the kennel, two couple and a half of the best were missing. Next day several men went in search of them to all the earth discovered. In digging about two yards deep,
one hound was found; several yards further, three more fast together in the ground; and two yards deeper, the fifth hound was dug up. They were all dead. LEAPING TREASON. King William the Third was passionately fond of the chase, and made it a point never to be outdone in any leap, however perilous. A Mr. Cherry, who was devoted to the exiled
family, took advantage of this to plan the most pardonable design which was ever formed against a king's life. He regularly joined the royal hounds, put himself foremost, and took the most desperate leaps, in the hope that "William might break his neck in following him. One day, however, he accomplished one so imminently danger- ous, that the king, when
he came to the spot, shook his head, and drew back. It is said that Mr. Cherry at length broke his own neck, and thereby relieved the king from further hazard. K 2 100 PERCY ANECDOTES. FEATS OF AGILITY AND LEGERDEMAliS; . The natives of China and Hindostan must be allowed to surpass all the rest of the world in feats of agility and legerdemain
The English public have of late years had an opportunity of viitnessing ex- bibitions by Jugglers from both countries; but sur- prising as some of their performances were, they are far surpassed by what is every day to be seen in India. Two men will throw spears at each other, at about fifteen feet distant, as forcibly as they can; one will ward olFhis adversary's
dart by another, which he carries upright in both hands, and the other receive his oppo- nent's javelin every throw, under one of his arms. Four persons will hold slightly a linen cloth, stretched out; a man will run over it so lightly, as not to force it out of the holder's hands. Two sabres being placed parallel upon the ground, with their edges upwards, a man will
run once over their edges so slightly as not to cut himself. The same man will step over upon the point of a sword fixed upright, and then jump through a barrel, held horizontally, about five feet liigh. A sword and four daggers are placed upon the edges and points upwards, no further distance from each other than will admit of a man's head; a man
then fixes a scyraitar upright, sits down behind it, and, at a bound, tlirows himself over the scy mitar, pitches his liead exactly in the space between the daggers, and turns over clear of them. A common rope is stretched upon two pair of crossed spars, about twenty feet distant, and four- PASTIME. 101 teen feet from the ground. A man piies six water- pots
upon his head, and thus accoutred, ascends the rope by means of the spars, or of a sloping cord on the outside of them; the rope is not quite tight, but left with a slack of about three feet; he then, with a balance pole in his hand, walks backward and forward, and swings the rope to its extent without letting a single pot fall. Five earthen-pots are placed above
each other on a man's head. A young girl mounts upon the upper- most, and the man then dances about with the pots and girl thus balanced, A man will take a small brass pan, and twirl it round upon the end of a short pointed stick, then toss it high in the air, catch it again in any part upon the point of the stick, still continuing to twirl it round; he will then tie
another stick to the first, and a third to the second, each tie forming a kind of circular hinge; then rest the bottom stick upon his nose or chin, each stick moving round upon its centre, on the top of all, the whole keeping in equilibrium. A cap with a broad stiff rim is fitted to a man's head, to which is tied about twenty
strings, terminated each by small nooses. In his left hand he holds a small basket, or brass pan, containing twenty eggs; then turning round, with a quick but regular motion, (as the Turkish dervises are represented to do in re- ligious rites) he fastens, successively, with his right hand, an egg into each of the nooses, still turning round. When they are all
fastened, he accelerates his rotation, till the eggs circulate swiftly as the flyer of a jack. After this, he rather slackens his mo- 102 PERCY ANECDOTES. tion, unties the eggs one by one, returns them into the basket, and stops; the strings measure from three to four feet; and are of unequal lengths, lest the eggs should accidentally clash. A man will place
upon his head two pieces of wood, like double-headed shot, each a foot in length, one over the other; upon the highest piece he adds a brass dish; upon the plank stands a girl upright. With all this apparatus in due balance, he will dance three or four times round
the room. Another will place a straw on his nose in the open air, balance it first there, and then on a very little bit of stick in his mouth, removing it several times from one place to the other. In tumbling, the Indians do not excel so much as in other feats; but at an exhibition some time ago at Calcutta, there was an old fellow, who though past his grand
climacteric, deemed it expedient, after springing over an enormous elephant, and then over five camels abreast, to apologize for his inability, lamenting, with a sigh, that there was a time when, in the presence of Nadir Shah, he could vault indeed; but now, alas! age and infirmity (having since broken a leg and an arm), had nearly incapacitated him. STEEPLE
CHASES.[edit] At the Malton races in 1801, a match was run betwixt two hunters, which should arrive at a given point in the shortest time. They went the distance (four miles) in less than fifteen minutes, and took one PASTIME. 103 hundred leaps in their Avay, as they crossed the country. Mr. Teasdale was the winner; Mr. Darley the loser, on whom the odds
were at starting. A match of this kind which created much amuse- ment, took place in April, 1814, between Messrs. Rcynoldson, Harbinger, and Duckett, three celebrated fox hunters, for a sweepstakes of fifty guineas each. The ground selected was from Storford in Hertford- shire, to Coleshill, a distance of twenty-one miles, through a woody country, with
other obstacles of rivulets, enclosures, &c. The sportsmen kept pace with each other the first four miles, when they separated on their different routes, in one hour and nineteen minutes. Mr. Duckett ran the winner closely, and was within three
minutes of him; and Mr. Reynoldson, who was supposed to be the best mounted, broke down at a leap. THE DUKE OF QUEENSBERRY. One of the most celebrated sporting characters of the last age, was the Duke did not however confine his love
of pastime to ordinary horse racing, but executed scliemes of expedition till then con- sidered impracticable. He once bet a considerable wager that he would convey a letter fifty miles with- in an hour, without the aid of horses, carrier pigeons, (Sec.; and this he effected by having it enclosed in a cricket ball, which twenty-four expert cricketers trans- 104
PERCY ANECDOTES. ferred to each other; by which means the ball passed more than fifty miles within the given time. The duke (then Earl of March) made a bet with Count OTafe, that he would cause a carriage with four horses to be drawn a distance of nineteen miles in sixty minutes. As much depended on the lightness of the machine, Lord March
caused an ingenious coach-maker to construct a vehicle for the purpose, in which he exhausted all the resources of his art to diminish the weight and friction as much as possible, and silk is said to have been used for the harness in- stead of leather. Four blood horses of approved speed were trained for some time, and two grooms of small weight and
approved skill provided to manage them. The course at Newmarket was fixed for de- ciding this singular match, which took place on the 29th of August, 1750. The novelty of the project attracted an immense concourse of people, and bets to the amount of many thousands of pounds were depending. The postilions mounted, and the carriage constructed
partly of wood and of whalebone, was hurried along with unrivalled velocity, and darted within the appointed time to the winning post. GAMING FOR MONEY. In the reign of Richard the First, an edict was issued concerning gaming, by which no person in the arniy was permitted to play at any sort of game for money, except knights and also clergymen, who
in one whole day and night should not each lose more than twenty shillings, on pain of forfeiting one hundred shillings to the archbishop of the army. The two PASTIME. 105 kings might play for what they pleased; but their attendants not for more than twenty ifhillings, other- wise they M ere to be whipped naked through the array for three days. LION HUNT.
In a lion hunt at Baroda in the East Indies in 1816, a small party of the gentlemen of the residency, ac- companied by ten sepoys, after killing a lioness, went in search of her companion. After some time, the animal was traced by his footsteps to one of the high hedges which intersected a garden within a mile of the town. The party approached within eight
yards, when two gentlemen and two sepoys fired; the animal then moved off to the other side of the hedge, and ten minutes after he was discovered lying under another hedge, groaning with rage and pain. Some pieces were instantly discharged, which ex- asperating him, he rushed out, and nobly charged his assailants, his tail being curled over his back. In
his advance, he was saluted, with great coolness, with several balls from all the gentlemen, and a few sepoys of the party who had come up; and though within a few yards of the object of his attack, he suddenly turned olF and sprung upon a sepoy detached to the right, with whom he grappled, and afterwards by the violence of the exertion fell to the ground
beyond him. At this moment the party .gallantly, and for the humane purpose of saving a fellow creature, rushed forward, and with bayonets and swords put an end to the monster. The sepoy was wounded in Lhe Jeft shoulder, but not dangerously. 106 PERCY ANECDOTES. MONSTROUS PIKE. Colonel Thornton, when on his sporting tour to the Highlands,
caught a pike of most extraordinary di- mensions in Loch Alva, an account of which he re- lates with all the spirit of a true sportsman. After failing in one attempt to take this rare fish, " On the second trip," says he, " I saw a very large fish come at me, and collecting my line, I felt 1 had him fairly hooked; but I feared he had run himself tight round some root, his
weight seemed so dead; we roused up therefore to the spot, where he soon convinced me he was at liberty, by running me so far into the lake, that I had not one more inch of line to give him. The servants foreseeing the consequences of my si- tuation, rowed with great expedition towards the fish, which now rose about seventy yards from us, an ab- solute
wonder! I relied on my tackle, which I knew was in every respect excellent, as I had in con- sequence of the large pike killed the day before, put on hooks and gimp, adjusted with great care; a pre- caution which would have been thought superfluous in London, as it certainly was for most lakes, though here barely equal to my fish. After playing him for some
time, I gave the rod to Captain Waller, that he might have the honour of landing, for 1 thought him guite exhausted; when, to our surprise, we were again constrained to follow the monster nearly across this great lake, having the wind too much against us. The whole party were now in high blood, and the delightful Ville de Paris (one of the colonel's boats)
quite unmanageable; frequently he flew out of the PASTIME. 107 v.'ater to such a height, that though I knew the un- common strength of my tackle, I dreaded losing such an extraordinary fish, and the anxiety of our little crew was equal to mine. After about an hour and a quarter's play, however, we might safely at- tempt to land him; which was done in the
following manner. Newmarket, a lad so called from the place of his nativity, who had now come to assist, I ordered with another servant to strip, and wade in as far as possible, which they readily did. In the meantime I took the landing net, while Captain Waller judiciously ascending the hill above, drew him gently towards us. He approached the shore very
quietly, and we thought him quite safe; when seeing himself sur- rounded by his enemies, he in an instant made a last desperate effort, shot into the deep again, and in the exertion threw one of the men on his back. His immense size was now very apparent; we proceeded with all due caution, and being once more drawn towards land, I tried to get his head
into the net, upon effecting which the servants were ordered to seize his tail, and slide him on shore. I took all imaginable pains to accomplish this, but in vain, and began to think myself strangely awkward, when at length, having got his snout in, I discovered that the hoop of the net, though adapted to a very large pike, would admit no more than that part. He
was however com- pletely spent, and in a few moments we landed him, a perfect monster. He was stabbed by my direction in the signals with the sky scrapers to be hoisted 3 and the whoop re-echoed through the 108 PERCY
ANECDOTES. whole range of the Grampians. On opening the jaws to endeavour to take the hooks from hira, which were both fast in his gorges, so dreadful a forest of teeth, or tushes, I think I never beheld. His measurement, accurately taken, was hve feet four inches from his eye to fork. The weight of this fish, judged by the bones we had with us, which
only weigh twenty-nine pounds, made us, according to our best opinions, estimate him at between forty-eight pounds'." A BRAVJE CHALLENGER. In the beginning of the last century, a female resided at Wanstead, who annually attracted notice by the following advertisement. ** This is to give notice to all ray honoured masters and ladies,
and the rest of ray loving friends, that my Lady Butter- field gives a challenge to ride a horse, to leap a horse, or run on foot, or hollo, with any Avoman in England seven years younger, but not a day older, because I won't tmder-value myself, being now seventy- four years of age. My feast will be the last Wednesday of this month, April, when there will be
good enter- tainment for that day, and all the year after, in Wanstead in Essex." STORY TELLING. One of the most favourite amusements of the Lazzaroni of Naples, is to listen to public readers, of whom (says Mr. GalifFe in his Italy) there were ge- nerally two or three on the mole; and it is really a curious tiling to see an audience of individuals covered
PASTIME. 109 with dirty rags, listeniug lo poetry \vitli the same at- tention as the Greeks might have paid to Homer. They sit on the middle of the throng, or rather at one extremity of it, with a small vacant space before them, as thek stage
or arena. The readers take care to oblige the nonpaying amateurs to yield up their places to those from whom they have reason to expect contributions. Such preferences in a public place, where, in strictness, all rights are equal, would not be tolerated in many of the capitals of Europe; but a strong and lively sense of equity- pervades the whole of this class
at Naples, to such a degree, that I never saw either disturbance or discon- tent occasioned by these interferences. The ragged listeners who were thus arbitrarily displaced for per- sons who did not even thank them for it, rose from their seats with perfect coolness and equanimity, and sought other places in more distant parts of the circle. I was frequently
induced to stop at these groups to examine the features, attitude, and expression of the individuals who composed them; but I could never bear to listen above a few minutes to the reader; who stops at every line in poetry, and at every comma in prose, to explain by his gestures, or by other words, the sense of what he has just recited. But his ill- timed
emphasis and ridiculous grimaces, which made his exhibition intolerable to my taste, formed, perhaps, an essential part of the entertainment of his native audience; for as the books which I heard read, were always written in pure Tuscan Italian, it is probable that, without the grimaces and interpret a lions of the r. 110 PERCY ANECDOTES. reader, few of his
hearers would understand his meaning. I also was surprised to find that the readings were usually in some romance of chivalry, a style of subject which does not seem to have many points in unison with their feelings; and I was the more asto- nished at this, because there is abundance of pretty poetry, and of very entertaining fairy tales, in the Neapolitan
dialect. Howbeit, " Sentir storie" h so favourite an amusement, that it always attracts a crowd on the mole, even when contending with the rivalship of an exhibition of puppets. At one time, that it always attracts a crowd on the mole, even when contending with the rivalship of an exhibition of puppets. At one time, that it always attracts a crowd on the mole, even when contending with the rivalship of an exhibition of puppets. At one time, that it always attracts a crowd on the mole, even when contending with the rivalship of an exhibition of puppets.
pulcinello with a |dog, and puppets that performed plays. Each of these was very nume- rously attended. RIDING PERPENDICULAR. A curious and hazardous performance took place at Dover, from Snargate-strcet to the heights, comprising one hundred
and forty steps, nearly perpendicular, and much resembling those in the Monument of London; the gentleman's servant first led his master's horse up the steps of the shaft, and to the astonish- ment of cvcr^ person who followed him, he then led the animal to the bottom; after this, the gentleman gallantly mounted, and arrived safe at the top of the shaft, in
nearly a trot, by which he won the wager. PASTIME. Ill PROTESTANT FRANK. Colonel Edgeworth, who raised a regiment for King William the Third, and was called Protestant Frank, was much addicted to gambling. One night, after losing all the money he could command, he staked his wife's diamond car-rings, and went into an adjoining room where she
was sitting in company, to ask her to lend them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him, saying, that she knew for what purpose they were wanted, but he was welcome to them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him, saying, that she knew for what purpose they were wanted, but he was welcome to them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him, saying, that she knew for what purpose they were wanted, but he was welcome to them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him, saying, that she knew for what purpose they were wanted, but he was welcome to them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them to him. She took them from her ears, and gave them from her ears, and gave them to him.
desire took a solemn oath, that he would never more play at any game with cards or dice. Some time afterwards he was found in a hay yard with a friend, drawing straws out of the hay rick, and betting upon which should prove the longest. As might be expected, he lived in alternate extra- vagance and distress, sometimes with a coach and four, but much
oftener in want of half a crown. SQUIRREL HUNT. In 1820, a squirrel hunt took place at Lima, in the county of Ontario, North America, which lasted forty days and a half. There were forty persons en a side, and on the game being counted, it amounted to thirteen thousand four Imndrcd and seventy-two black squirrels. 112 PERCY ANECDOTES, INDIAN
WAR DANCE. The war dances of the American Indians have nothing engaging in them, their object being to strike terror in the beholders. They are dressed and painted, or rather bedaubed with paint, in a manner suitable to the occasion. They hold the murderous weapon in their hand, and imitate, in their dance, all the warlike attitudes, motions, and actions
which are usual in an engagement with the enemy, and strive to excel each other by their terrific looks and gestures. They ge- nerally perform rounded with posts, and roofed with the bark of trees; sometimes also this dance is executed in the open air. There every man
presents liimself in warrior's array, contemptuously looking upon the painted post, as if it was the enemy whom he is about to engage; as he passes by it, he strikes, stabs, grasps, pretends to scalp, to cut, to run through; in short, endeavours to shew what he could do to a real enemy, if he had him in his power. UNKENNELING A BEAR. In January, 18 1 8, a
party of hunters from Warwick, in the state of New York, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, in the state of New York, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, in the state of New York, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, in the state of New York, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, in the state of New York, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, in the state of New York, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, af(er a search of eight days, discovered a large bear taking shelter in a fissure or cave in a declivity of the rocks of Warwick, after the rocks o
retreated at his terrific aspect or were destroyed by his grasp. At length the houtsinen find- ing all attempts to frighten hira froro his retreat fruit- less, blew up the rock over the hole, and came within about sixteen feet of the bear. These continued operations made him fierce and terrible. After the hole blown through the rock over the hole, and came within about sixteen feet of the bear. These continued operations made him fierce and terrible. After the hole blown through the rock over the hole and the rock over the rock over the rock over the rock over the hole and the rock over the rock over
body of a man, one John Ward crept into it, placed lighted candles fixed upon the end of a pole towards the bear, and with a musket shot at him, but without effect. He descended the second time, and shot him in the fore legs; the bear at each fire advanced towards the mouth of the hole, but Ward was not to be intimidated; he descended again^ and shot the
ferocious beast in one eye. Ward was now drawn out, the bear fiercely following him; he instantly seized a rifle from the hands of another huntsman, and discharged the contents into the head of the animal, which proved fatal. He measured six feet from the nose to the end of the tail, and weighed three hundred and thirteen pounds. ASTONISHING A TIGER!
A good mode of astonishing a tiger (say s Mr.M'Leod, in his account of Dahomy) was practised with suc- cess during ray stay there. A loaded musket w% firmly fixed in a horizontal position, about the height of his head, to a couple of stakes driven into the ground; and the piece being cocked, a string from the trigger, first leading a little towards the butt, and
then turning through a small ring forward, was at- tached to a shoulder of mutton stuck on the muzzle I. 3 114 PERCY ANECDOTES, of the musket, the act of dragging off which drew the trigger, and the piece loaded with two balls, dis- charged itself into the plunderer's mouth, killing him on the spot. CRICKET. Of all the popular pastimes to which the ball has
given origin, (and they are numerous^ the game of cricket is the most pleasant and manly exercise. It is a game of very recent date, and its appellation cannot be traced beyond the commencement of the eighteenth century. The Persians had a similar game, but performed on horseback, called chugan, which was a favourite recreation of kings and chiefs,
and was originally considered as almost peculiar to illustrious person- ages, though it afterwards became universally prac- tised throughout Persia. Chardin describes it as one of the popular amusements, admitting thirty or forty persons, formed into two parties, to engage at once. The object of those who played, was to drive a ball made of light wood, through
the goal, by means of sticks, having semicircular or straight transverse heads; while the contending parties, governed by cer- tain prescribed laws, and striking only when at full gallop, endeavoured to bear olF the ball. Of this game seems to have
been widely ditl'used tliroughout Juirope, and we may per- haps trace it in the cricket of England; the golf or gouglj of Scotland, and the hurling matches of Ireland. PASTIME. 115 Pietro della Valle discovered it in the cricket of England; the game is pla^'ed as in
Persia, with a wooden ball and a club, headed like a mallet or hammer. A similar game, in which women as well as men partake, is a favourite amusement in Chili, and is there called la chuca. The game often lasts a whole evening, and sometimes is forced to be put off to another day. Of late years cricket has become in England exceed- ingly fashionable,
being much patronized by the nobi- lity and gentlemen of fortune, who frequently join in the diversion. In the cricket ground at INIarylebone, called Lord's Ground, there is not perhaps a county that has not several cricket clubs. PARAGUAY AMUSEMENTS
When the Jesuits first laid the foundation of that gigantic power which they afterwards established in Paraguay, they took equal care to employ and amuse the people. The natural aptitude of the Indians for music was encouraged, and their strong propensity for dancing indulged, by making it a part of all their religious ceremonies. Boys and youths were the
performers; the grown men and all the females as- sisted only as spectators, apart from each other; the great square was the place, and the rector and his coadjutor were seated in the church-porch, to preside. The performances were dramatic figure dances, for 116 PERCY ANECDOTES, which the Catholic mytholog} furnished subjects in abundance.
Sometimes they were in honour of the Virgin, whose flags and laurels vvcre then brought forth; each of the dancers bore a letter of her name upon a shield, and in the evolutions of the dance the whole were brought together, and displayed in their just order; at intervals they stopt before her image, and bowed their heads to the ground. Sometimes they
represented a battle between the Christians and Moors, always to the proper discomfiture of the mis- believers. The three kings of the east formed the subject of another pageant; the Nativity, of another; but that which, perhaps, gave most delight, was the battle between Michael and the dragon, with all his imps. These stories were sometimes represented in
the form of autos, or sacred plays, (like the mysteries of the ancient drama) in which no female actors were admitted; the dresses and decorations were public pro- perty, and deposited among the public stores, under the rector's care. The Jesuits, who incorporated men of all descriptions in their admirably-formed society, had, at one time, a famous dancing
master in Para- guay, by name, Joseph Cardiel; who, whether he had formerly practised the art as a professor, or was only an amateur, took so much delight in it, that he taught the Indians no fewer than seventy diiflferent dances, all, as we are assured, strictly decorous. Sometimes the two acts of music and dancing were combined, as in ancient Greece,
and the performers, witli different bands of hand instruments, danced in accordance to their own playing. PASTIME. 117 MR. EL WES. The miser, John Ehves, Esq., who would starve himself to save sixpence, was a man who frequently hazarded large sums at the gaming table. Few men, according to his own acknowledgment, had played deeper than
himself, or with more varied success. He once played two days and a night without inter- mission; and the Powe of ISorthum- berland was of the party, who would never quit a table where any hope of winning remained. If ]Mr. Elwes had
received all he won, he would have been the richer for his gaming propensities; but many sums were never liquidated, and thus he became a great loser by play. The theory which he professed, " that it was impossible to ask a gentleman for money," he perfectly confirmed by his practice; and he never violated this feeling to the last hour uf his life. It is curious
to remark, how at this period of his life he contrived to mingle small attempts at saving, with objects of the most unbounded dissipation. After sitting up a whole iiight at play for thousands, with the most fashionable and juofligate men of the time, amid splendid rooms, gilt sofas, wax lights, and waiters attendant on liis call, he would walk out about four in the
morning, not toward home, but into Smiih- field, to meet his own cattle, which were coming to market from Tbaydon-liall, a farm of his in Essex I 118 PERCY ANECDOTES. There would this same man, forgetful of the scenes he had just left, stand, in the cold or rain, haggling with a carcass hutcher for a shilli7ig! Mr. Elwes made frequent excursions to
Newmarket, but he never engaged on the turf. On one of these visits. Lord Abingdon, who was slightly known to Mr. Elwes, had made a match for seven thousand guineas, which it was supposed he would be obliged to forfeit, from an inability to produce the sum, though the odds were greatly in his favour. Mr. Elwes, unsolicited, made him an offer of the
money, which he accepted, and won the engagement. The generosity of this act no one will deny; but it was the fate of Mr. Elwes to combine some great actions with a meanness so extraordinary, that he no longer ap- peared the same person; and he who hazarded seven thousand pounds in the morning, fasted all day, and went happily to bed with the
reflection that he had saved half a crown! CLERICAL DANCING. Louis XII. of France held a grand court at Milan, in 1501, where the balls are said to have been magni- ficent. Two Cardinal de Narbonne and Cardinal de St. Lcverin, footed it there with the rest of the courtiers. Cardinal Pallavino relates, that the fathers, doctors, bishops, and other
church dignitaries, assembled at the Council of Trent, rested for a while in 1;)62 from their theological polemics, and delibe- rated on the important proposition of giving a ball to riiilij) U. King of Spain. The project, after mature discussion, was adopted, the ball was appointed, all PASTIME. 119 the ladies of the city were invited, and the Spanish bigot, together
with all the fathers of the council, danced on the occasion. RIDING AND DRIVING. In 1810, Mr. Western of Moorfields, undertook to drive his horse, Scorpion, one hundred miles in twelve successive hours, and which he accomplished twenty- eight minutes and a half before the time. The same distance was done in eleven hours and a half, by a black mare,
the property of Mr. Hunt of Colchester, who was precluded the use of the whip; which, how- ever, the noble animal never required. In December, 1819, Mr. Milton engaged that he would ride from London to Stamford, a distance of ninety miles, in five hours. He started at eight o'clock in the morning, amidst a violent shower of rain; and in the course of the first
hour went twenty-three miles. When he was about forty miles from town, he was disappointed in not finding a horse, and was obliged to continue for some miles longer on the one he then rode. He, however, accomplished his task, and arrived at Stamford twenty-five minutes past twelve o'clock, thus winning his wager by thirty-five minutes. In 1811, Mr.
Seward undertook for a wager of five hundred guineas, to drive four-in-hand fifteen miles in fifty minutes. At six o'clock in the morning he started from Hyde-park corner, to the fifteenth milestone near Staines. He performed the distance in fifty-three minutes and twenty seconds, and lost the match. 120 PERCY ANECDOTES. In the sunuuer of 1809, a mare
belonging to Mr. Wilson, the liveryman, performed a task unprece- dented in the sporting calendar. The owner of the mare backed her for a wager of 200 guineas, to go fifty miles in three hours and a half, this being at the rate of nearly fifteen miles within an
hour at a steady trot, and continued to do the same in the next two hours: the difficulty in the performance was to execute the last five miles in the half hour, which was nevertheless done in four minutes less than the given time; betting was seven to four and two to one against the mare. Miss Pond, who has been frequently spoken of as riding a thousand
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miles in a thousand hours at New- market in 1758, did it under circumstances far from difficult. She was a relative of the publisher of the sporting calendar, in Oxendon Street, and she was allowed to do the thousand miles on as many horses as she chose, without regarding time, and sh

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