

**TO CONTENT.**

**SERENELY** temper'd tenant of the shade,  
Pensively joyous, heav'nly-musing maid,  
Dart beams of patience on my busy mind;  
Teach me, like thee, to varying fate resign'd,  
In life's worst tempests with the surge to rise—  
In thought and action temperately wise!  
Should fate th' enchanting spells of love destroy,  
Oh, teach me how to flight th' unfaithful joy;  
Make each delusion fly its native breast,  
And the tam'd blood, unagitated, rest!  
Should my ambitious toils, my love of name  
Earn not a whisper from the tongue of fame:  
Should friendship steal its balmy hand away,  
Or fightless fortune, make me pity's prey,  
In thy soft bosom let me seek repose—  
The pillow and the cure of all my woes!

**ODE TO FRIENDSHIP.**

Friendship! sweet source of ev'ry joy,  
Thy smiles each frown of fate delay,  
O let me call thee mine;  
With thee I'll brave the heaviest storm,  
Distress and woe in every form!  
O make this bosom thine.  
The happy pair, who own thy reign,  
Enjoy what Monarchs seek in vain,  
And share the sweets of life;  
Their home amidst the warbling grove,  
The fear of virtue and of love,  
Is free from care and strife.  
Here kindness wipes the traveller's rear,  
Here tenderness and grace appear,  
To cheer the drooping mind;  
Here sickness finds a healing balm,  
Here troubles grow divinely calm,  
Where love and friendship's join'd.  
This consecrated blissful seat,  
Affords a safe and sweet retreat,  
From grief and haggard care;  
Here streams of fond affection rise,  
And sympathy that never dies,  
Tobles the happy pair.  
Hail, friendship! queen of earthly joy,  
Without thee, diadems are toys,  
And vain is nature's store;  
With thee I would for ever rest,  
Made by thy smile supremely blest,  
Nor ask the world for more.

**FROM THE CENTINEL.**

The House that "JACK BUILT," in a Political view; or MUNROE's request for the reason of his recall, complied with.

**THE HOUSE.**—This is the House the French Directory built.  
**L'ARGENT.**—This is the malt that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**MUNROE.**—This is the rat that eat the malt that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**PICKERING.**—This is the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**HONESTUS.**—This is the dog, that barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**JONNY, the "Wild-Irishman."**—This is the bull, with the crumpled horn, that roared with the dog, who barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**LIBERTY, a la mode de Francois.**—This is the maiden all forlorn, that coaxed the bull with a crumpled horn, that roared with the dog, who barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**EQUALITY.**—This is the man all tattered and torn, that killed the maiden all forlorn, that coaxed the bull with a crumpled horn, that roared with the dog, that barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**THE ROWLEY DIVINE.**—This is the Priest, all shaven and shorn, that married the maiden all tattered and torn, that killed the maiden all forlorn, that coaxed the bull with a crumpled horn, that roared with the dog, that barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**BLOUNT.**—This is the Patriot, covered with scorn, that paid the parson, all shaven and shorn, for marrying the man all tattered and torn, that killed the maiden all forlorn, that coaxed the bull with a crumpled horn, that roared with the dog, that barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.  
**CONSCIENCE.**—This is the cock, that crowed in the morn, that waked the Pa-

triot covered with scorn, that paid the parson all shaven and shorn, that married the man all tattered and torn, that killed the maiden all forlorn, that coaxed the bull with a crumpled horn, that roared with the dog, that barked at the cat, that killed the rat, that eat the malt, that lay in the house the Directory built.

**AUGUSTA, Sept. 7.**

**Law Intelligence.**  
If Mr. M'Millan will give the following curious trial a place in his paper, it will much oblige a friend and a subscriber.

**Judices Court, Term.**

**vs. Negro killing.**  
His honor the justice took his seat, after having impannelled and sworn the jury. The plaintiff stated, that the defendant did with the force of arms, unlawfully enter his plantation, and then and there kill, by shooting with a gun loaded with powder and lead, one negro man of the value of 45l. contrary to the laws of God and his country.

The defendant admitted killing the negro, but endeavored to justify his conduct by laying the negro was insolent, &c.

His honor the justice then rose and gave the jury a flowery and labored charge, and desired them to withdraw and do justice to the parties; the jury withdrew, and in a few minutes brought in their verdict wilful murder. His honor told them they were wrong, and that they must go out again; they withdrew, and soon brought in their verdict negro slaughter; the justice in a mighty rage told them to go out again, that they were still wrong, that his object was money? they again withdrew, & brought in damages for the plaintiff, 45l. payable in plantation tools, and cost of suit; the defendant complied by giving his note for the debt, and paying up the cost, which his honor received, treated to half a pint, and adjourned.

Thus the justice extended his jurisdiction to 45l. from 7l. and made his a court of criminal jurisdiction.

**SAVANNAH, Sept. 29.**

On Monday the 25th inst. were arrested by a warrant from John Glas, Esq. mayor of this city, John Moffay of the state of Maryland, and William Cowell of the state of North-Carolina, citizens of the United States, (who were picked up at sea with three other whites, and thirty-five blacks, by capt. Callaghan, of the schooner Exuma); having been on board the British armed ship, General Nicholls, of Grenada, they were brought before doctor John Love, one of the aldermen of this city, for examination, when it appearing Joseph Moffay had shipped himself voluntarily on board the said armed ship, he was committed to the federal jail for his trial; but it appearing that William Cowell, on the oath of two of the crew of said armed ship, was picked up at sea in a boat with capt. Ewing, late master of the schooner Grace, of Washington, North-Carolina, Mr. Armour, the owner, an apprentice boy, Edward Potter, of North-Carolina, and Charles Langley, a boy of Bolton, with two blacks; that cap. Michael Morrison, of the said armed ship, had permitted the captain, owner, apprentice and the two blacks to go on board of an American schooner, but had detained by compulsion the said William Cowell, Edward Potter and Charles Langley, on board; and that at Nassau, on his arrival there, he placed a number of blacks to guard the said Cowell and Langley to prevent them getting away from his ship, (for Potter had jumped into the boat of the Quebec frigate at sea, after exchanging a shot first with her by mistake at night)—he was in consequence discharged by alderman Love.

**CHARLESTON, Oct. 4.**

We are informed that citizen Victor Dupont, consul of the Republic of France in this city has received his appointment of Consul-General of the Republic, to reside at Philadelphia; he is to be succeeded in this state by citizen Scherere, brother to General Scherere. A new appointment is also made; citizen Dolac is to reside in Wilmington-N. C. as Vice-Consul of the Republic for that state. Citizen Mozard, consul of the Republic at Bolton, is to be succeeded by citizen Geroult.

**NOTICE**

ON Saturday the 19th day of November next, will be sold at Public Auction, Several NEGROES, part of the personal estate of Mrs. Margaret Beloit, deceased: conditions will be made known on the day of sale.

S. R. JOCELIN, } Ex'rs.  
J. G. WRIGHT. }

Wilmington, Oct. 19.

**Public Auction.**

THE subscriber proposes to do some business the ensuing season, in the VENDUE and COMMISSION line. He will therefore receive all kinds of Produce and Merchandise either for private or public sale—Will hire out Negroes, and assist Matters of vessels and Super cargoes in the disposal and purchase of their cargoes, on application. Attention and punctuality may be relied upon.

A. JOCELYN.

October 26 43 if

**A WARNING.**

A PRACTICE has existed for several years, of cutting and carrying away, without permission, from the lands of my Hillton plantation, fire-wood, hoop-poles, and timber of every kind—as these lands do not produce more of any of those articles than is equal to the necessary consumption thereof on said plantation, I am constrained to give notice to my neighbours (in and out of town) that this practice will no longer be allowed; and to request them to give directions to their servants accordingly: every future instance of it will be treated as a trespass.

W. H. HILL.

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**F O U N D**

BY a negro woman under my house on Sunday last the 22d inst. a new double skirted saddle, faced with velvet. The owner may have it by proving property, paying the expence of this advertisement and giving a small reward to the finder.

CHRISTOPHER DUDLEY.

Wilmington, 26th October.



**RAN away from the**

subscriber about eight days past, a Negro fellow by the name of JOHN who calls himself JOHN GARDENER—he is a short active well set fellow, and is by trade a Blacksmith. I think he has a scar on his face, but exactly where I do not remember. He would be known in Fayetteville by Mr. Grove's negroes, in Wilmington by Mr. D. Moor's, in Chatham by Mr. Mallett's. I think he is endeavouring to get on board some vessel to go round to the northward, and should he sail at Wilmington, he will go to Newbern. I will give Fifty Dollars to any person who will apprehend and secure the said fellow so that I get him again, and pay all reasonable charges, &c. W. NASH.

N. B. A fellow by the name of ROBIN, belonging to Mr. Garrot Goodloe, went off with him. Mr. Goodloe, I doubt not, will give an equal reward for his. W. N. Caswell county, July 17.

**The Co-partnership of**

**BLAKELEY & VANCE**  
Was dissolved on Saturday the 6th inst. by the death of the former: all those who have unsettled accounts with them, are requested to call on the subscriber for payment, or adjustment, and those who are indebted to said firm, it is expected will make payment as soon as possible, as there is an absolute necessity for finally closing the affairs of the concern.

SAMUEL VANCE,

Surviving Co-partner.

Wilmington, Oct. 13. 42—4

**TO BE SOLD,**

ON the First day of January next, if fair, if not, the first fair day, Eight valuable country born NEGROES, belonging to the Estate of the late Col. Swan,—among them is an excellent Cooper, a Carpenter, and a young negro Fellow who has worked with a Carpenter, two Women who are prime hands in the Field or in the House,—two very likely Girls,—one about 13 years old, and the other 7.—They are well disposed and not sold for any fault, but to pay debts.—There is also a negro Man about 60, who is well used to Turpentine, and for his age valuable; they are all a family of negroes except the last mentioned and a young Wench, which woman we can sell at any time at private sale. Any person inclined to purchase, may see her and apply to us. The family of negroes are at present hired to Messrs. Isaacs and Levy in Wilmington, and may be seen there.

MILDRED SWAN, Adm'x.  
FRED. JONES, Adm'r.

Oct. 26.

**BARGAINS.**

To be Sold by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the Court House in Wilmington, on the 2d. day of the ensuing Term of the Superior Court, the following described

**VALUABLE LANDS,**

formerly the property of John Rowan, Esq. deceased.—112.—  
640 Acres on the North side of the North-west River, joining lands formerly owned by Goodwin Ellerson, dec'd.  
291 Acres joining the above and below, on lands of John Hall, Esq.  
320 Acres on the South side of the River joining the same, on John P. Craty.  
400 Acres joining the same, beginning at the mouth of Woods' creek and running down the river.  
500 Acres on Alegator branch, between the North-west Road and River.  
500 Acres joining the above, and near Mrs. Williams' on Woods' creek.

Also, the MILL-LANDS, Containing 2120 Acres by Patents and Deeds, with one or more very valuable Seats, the advantageous situation of which is too well known to require a further description.—Terms will be made known on the day of sale.

BENJAMIN SMITH.

Oct. 26.

**IMPORTED**

From LONDON, And for Sale at the Store lately occupied by George Hooper & Co. very low for Cash,

**A very General Assortment of GOODS,**

Suited to the Season, among which are the following Articles,  
White and coloured Plains,  
White Napt Negro Cloathing,  
Bears Skins,  
Superfine and Inferior Cloths,  
Double mill'd Drab cloth for great coats,  
Fashionable Waistcoat-Patterns,  
White and Red Flannels,  
Striped Swanskins,  
Women's Cloth Cloaks,  
Tammys, Callimancoes, Wildbores and other Stuffs,  
Rote and Duffel Blankets,  
Lead, Shott, Salt Petre,  
Guns, Powder,  
4, 1-2, & 6 Inch Mill-Rope,  
Coffee, Sugar, Rum &c. &c.

B. W. THACKER.

Wilmington, Oct. 26.



**RAN away from the**

subscriber, on the 7th inst. a tall Black Negro MAN, by the name of Harry; he wore when he went away, an old brown broad cloth Coat, and carried with him some other clothes, which I cannot describe—he is about 40 or 45 years of age, and is left handed—has large white eyes, can read & write indifferently—was raised in Maryland and has passed in this state as a freeman; he is a Ditcher by trade. I do forewarn all persons from harbouring the said Negro at their peril.

JAMES WRIGHT.

N. B. TWO Dollars reward, if in this state, Ten if in any other, provided I get him.  
Duplin-County, Oct. 13. if

**NOTICE.**

THE Copartnership betwixt GEORGE HOOPER and JOHN INGRAM, merchants, was dissolved on the 7th of July last, by the event of the death of the latter.

As there is an absolute necessity for settling as speedily as possible the affairs of said Copartnership, all those indebted to the establishment in Wilmington, under the firm of GEORGE HOOPER and Co. are requested to discharge the same; and such as have demands against said firm, or with whom there are open accounts, are desired to exhibit the same for payment of liquidation.

The stock of Dry Goods on hand, consisting of a small assortment of articles well suited to the trade of this place, are for sale—as also the Brig FAIR AMERICAN, about 120 tons burthen, in complete repair, and ready for receiving a cargo. Apply to

GEORGE HOOPER,  
Surviving Copartner.

Wilmington, Oct. 5, 1797.