THE ROANOKE NEWS.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30, 1878.

### Indian Nut Parties in Nevada.

Approaching a Nevada mountain a low brushy growth is seen, strangely black in aspect, as though it had been burned. This is a nut-pine forest, the bountiful orchard of the red man. No slope is too steep, none too dry, every situation seems to be gratefully chosen, if only it be sufficiently rocky and firm to afford secure anchorage for the tough, grasping roots. It is a sturdy, thick-set little tree, usually about as broad as high, holding its knotty branches well out in every direction in stiff zigzags, but turning them gracefully upward at the end in rounded bosses. It is pretty generally known that this tree yields edible nuts, but their importance and excellence as human food is infinitely greater than is supposed. In fruitful seasons the pine nut crop of Nevada is perhaps greater than the wheat crop of California, concerning which so much is said and felt throughout the food markets of the world. The Indians alone appreciate this portion of nature's bounty, and celebrate the harvest time with dancing and feasting.

Inasmuch as the cones require two years to mature from the first appearance of the little red resettes of the fertile flowers the scarcity or abundance of the crop may be predicted more than a year in advance. Squirrels and worms and Clark crows make haste to begin the harvest. The Indians make ready their long beating-poles; baskets, bags, rags, mats are gotten together. The squaws, out among the settlers at service, washing and drudging, assemble at the family hut; the men leave their ranch-work; all, old and young, are mounted on ponies, and set off in gleeful glee to the nut-lands, forming cavalcades curiously picturesque; flaming scarfs and calico skirts stream loosely over the knotted ponies usually two squaws astride of each, with the small baby midgets bandaged in baskets swung on their backs or balanced upon the saddle bow, while the nut baskets and water jars project from either side, and the long beating poles, like old fashioned lances, angle off in every direction. Arrived at some central point already fixed upon, where water and grass are found, the squaws with baskets, the men with poles, ascend the ridges to the laden trees, followed by the children; beating begins with loud noise and clatter; the nuts fly right and left, lodging against stones and sage brushes; the squaws and children gather them with fine natural gladness; smoke columns speedily mark the joyful scene of their labors as the roasting fires are kindled; and at night, assembled in circles, garrulous as jays, the first grand nut feast begins. Sufficient quantities are thus obtained in a few weeks to last all winter. They also gather several species of berries and dry them to vary their stores, and a few deer and grouse are killed on the mountains, besides immense numbers of rabbits and hares; but the pinenuts are their main reliance—staff of life, their bread.—Letter to the San Francisco Bulletin.

### A Deep Water Canal Needed in Eastern North Carolina.

The National Commercial Convention, which assembled at Chicago last week, adopted a resolution, which if carried through Congress, may make a very valuable addition to the permanent improvements of the eastern section of our State. Here is the resolution:

"Resolved, That a suitable and cheap water line, permanently navigable by steamers of 1,000 tons burthen should be opened up between the waters of Virginia and North Carolina, as a means of enabling the greatest part of the domestic shipping of the Atlantic coast to avoid the dangers of Cape Hatteras, and we commend the measure to the favorable consideration of Congress."

We have long contended that the Dismal Swamp Canal, connecting as it does Norfolk, Va., and a large portion of Eastern Carolina, was but the entering wedge for more permanent, larger and lasting improvements, in the not very far future. The dangerous coast of Cape Hatteras has been the dread of mariners since the discovery of this country, and its dangers as well as horrors, are now more appreciated than ever, by reason of the recent and appalling disaster to the United States steamship Huron, not to speak of the hundreds of other vessels which have been foundered on our coast within the last fifty or sixty years.

It is said by competent authority that a canal, navigable by steamers of one thousand tons burthen can be constructed through Eastern Carolina, from the southern terminus of the Dismal Swamp Canal to the head waters of the Cape Fear river, at a very moderate cost, in comparison to the extent and value of the enterprise. If we are not mistaken, such a canal was recommended by the United States coast survey, some time previous to the late war, and was probably not commenced by reason of that event.

At that time the proposition was regarded as a great national work, and there is no reason why it should not be considered as such to-day. The advantages of such an enterprise are self apparent, and when we consider how tenaciously our Northern brethren fought us for four years, in order that there might be no division of the country, more than all else probably, because of the value of our trade, the reasons become at once even cogent.

With such a send off as the national commercial convention has given them, the members of Congress from North Carolina, ought to be able to get a bill through Congress inaugurating the work without delay. North Carolina is powerless to undertake it now, but there is every reason why the national government should take hold of the matter, and put it through.—Charlotte Observer.

### An Affecting Sentence.

Judge —, of the Judicial District of Arkansas, had brought before him a convicted felon to be sentenced. The opportunity to improve the occasion was not to be lost, and so after the usual demand for reason why sentence should not be pronounced, his Honor slowly and with genuine feeling addressed the prisoner; "My poor fellow, you are about to go to the penitentiary. You are required to give up everything which the great world values; your family—and, instead, to take for your associates only felons like yourself; your home—and to take instead what can never have the semblance of a home; you will—and so be subject to order of men who have no sympathy with you. Even your ordinary clothing you will exchange for [here his Honor hesitated and raising his left arm, pointed to it with the index-finger of the right hand]—you will exchange for striped clothes, the stripes running not lengthwise, like these but so—round and round like a coon's tail."

THE Editor of this paper is in no way responsible for the views or statements of Correspondents. No communications of an anonymous character will be published; the real name of the writer must accompany all communications. Any one who may feel aggrieved at statements made by correspondents can obtain the name on application to the Editor.

Correspondents will please write only on one side of the paper, and to avoid having their communications thrown in the waste basket, will furnish their names—not necessarily for publication—but as a guaranty of good faith. We will not notice anonymous correspondence.

## LOCAL.

XMAS drawing nigh.

FAREWELL November.

GET your skates ready.

MY kingdom for a horse!

EGGS are rising in price.

OUR streets are in a bad condition.

LOOK out for a big snow Christmas.

SOME of our subscribers are paying up.

WE hear of several marriages to come off soon.

FROGS live from 12 to 15 years (if not eaten)

LAST Wednesday was a very disagreeable day.

NEW pork is selling in Cincinnati, for 3½ per pound.

Now is the time to plant advertisements for Christmas.

THE cold chilly winds of December will soon be upon us.

DON'T forget to pay for your paper when you come to town.

LORNE and Louise are taken care of by twenty-eight servants.

SEE notice of sale of personal property by N. R. Jones, Sheriff

THE little folks had a dance at Mr. V. J. Naw's the other night.

THE Australian dog and the shepperd dog of Egypt never bark

DON'T get in debt to a shoemaker if you would call your sole your own.

REV. J. C. GARTICK occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church last Sunday night.

THE heavy rains of Tuesday and Wednesday have caused a slight rise in the river.

IT is now believed that every honey moon has not only a man but a woman in it as well.

EXCHANGES from all parts of the country speaks of the heavy rain fall on Tuesday and Wednesday.

WHY is the leader of the Weldon String Band like a bad tavern keeper? Because he's master of a vile-ins.

MOSES HICKS and another colored gentleman of the town had a pretty brisk fisticuff early on Thursday morning.

TRAVEL south is increasing, principally northern invalids going to Florida, and commercial agents of northern business houses.

THE North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church is in session at Charlotte, Bishop Pearce of Georgia, presiding.

WE are requested to state that Rev. R. T. Vann of Scotland Neck will preach in the Literary Hall on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

IF you want to hear a man tell a well developed full-grown lie just poke your head in a store door and ask change for a five dollar bill.

WE call attention to the advertisement of Richard H. Smith Commissioner, offering for sale two tracts of valuable land in Halifax county.

THANKS to the bublisher, J. H. Ennis of Raleigh for a copy of Turner's Almanac for 1879. Turner's Almanac is a good one and cost only 10cts.

A Wisconsin lady opened a matrimonial intelligence office recently, but she married the first man who applied, and the concern came to a speedy end.

THIRTY THREE years have passed since the introduction of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and it still stands unrivaled. Price 25 cents; five bottles $1.

THERE will be a regular communication of Roanoke Lodge, No. 233, F. & A. M., on the first Thursday night in December. A full attendance is requested.

THE rude man is contented if he sees but something going on; the man of more refinement must be made to feel; the man entirely refined desires to reflect.

HAVE enough regard for yourself to treat your greatest enemy with quiet politeness. All petty spites are mere meanness and hurt yourself more than any one else.

THE Weldon Hotel is being put in thorough repair and we learn will soon be taken charge by Col. Davis but recently proprietor of the Purcell House in Norfolk.

QUITE a number of celebrities have passed through town this week. Among them, Judge Howard, Hon. J. J. Yeates, Judge Hillyard, Judge Brooks, and Major Winder.

No less than three young maidens were murdered last week by men they refused to marry. When will the woman of this country learn to say "yes" when man proposes?

A Texas paper has found the most unpopular candidate on record. It declares that he has not popularity enough to muster a corporal's guard on an invitation to take a drink.

CAUTION.—Do not let your druggist palm off a substitute, when you demand Dr. Bull's Baby Syrup or you will be disappointed, for no medicine for children equals it in effect.

OUR thanks to the publishers for the North Carolina Agricultural Almanac for 1879 The calculations are made by Dr. E. Craven, President of Trinity College and can be relied on. Price 10 cents.

MISS MARY A. GAINES, daughter of Marcus J. Gaines, ex-U S. Consul to Tripoli, is now on a visit to her relatives in Enfield.

WE are informed by an intelligent Northampton farmer, that the cotton crop in that county is a very short one. This, with the low price, will be ruinous to many of our farmers who are a little in debt.

A wedding in Rome, New York has been indefinitely postponed because the young man in the case declined to give up the habitual use of tobacco. The young lady said choose, and he chews. A fine cut all round.

"Are you a baker?" queried a waggish citizen of a tramp who had accosted him for small change. "No," remarked the fellow. "Oh," said the citizen, "I thought you was; you look like a man who kneads bread."

WEATHER REPORT.—Notes of the weather for the month of November.

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| Highest Temperature | | 74° |
| Lowest | " | 30° |
| Mean | " | 51° |

Prevailing Wind Westerly.
Amount of Rainfall 1.69 inch.

FOR the benefit of those who probably have forgotten how much they owe for their paper, we will state they owe for 6 months semi-weekly and 6 months weekly, the amount being $2.50. They can remit the same by P. O. Order without any trouble, we mean those living at a distance.

FOR THE RAEIGH OBSERVER. ANOTHER CASE OF BULLDOZING.—An old and very respectable colored man in this vicinity a day or two since delivered himself as follows: "I'd suffer myself to be bridled and bolted and drug through H— before I'd ever vote the radicum ticket any more."

MARRIED.—Married in the Episcopal church at Jackson, N. C., on Thursday the 28th, by the Rector Rev. Mr. Higgs, Miss Claudia Jordan of Smithfield, Va., to Mr. Benj. Hardy of Rocky Mount, N. C. The happy pair passed through this place on Thursday evening on their way to the bridegroom's home at Rocky Mount.

HERE is what was sung recently at a religious meeting of colored men in the South:

"If you see Peter asleep at de gate,
Kase de night befor' he was up so late,
You needn't spert, with your loud of sin
Dat you'll slip past him, and steal right in
As angels always acts on de sprit;
Dey know you here and dey'll know you dar."

WE call attention to the auction sale advertised in this issue by officer Fields, to begin on the 10th of December and continue until the stock is disposed of. The stock consists of everything usually kept in a first class store, namely, dry goods, ready made clothing, notions, boots and shoes, hats, caps, wood and tin ware, cooking utensils, &c.

IT seems to be a difficult matter, for the Virginia people to decide, whether or not, they can hold a session of the Legislature this winter. The arguments recently published in the "Stave" on the subject are to us convincing, and as yet we have seen no answer to them that induces us to change our mind.

LEEUWENHOEK has computed that 10,000 threads of the full grown spider are not larger than a single hair of the beard. He calculates, further, that when young spiders first begin to spin, 400 of them are not larger than one of full growth—allowing which, 4,000,000 of a young spider's threads are not as large as the single hair of a man's beard.

MR. W. D. HUNNIX, lost a valuable horse last week under singular circumstances. He was out hunting deer and a fine buck jumped up before him. He at once gave chase at too full speed of his horse, and riding with his eyes fixed on the deer watching for a opportunity for a shot his horse ran into an old well, breaking his neck instantly. Mr. Hunnix we are glad to say was unhurt.

ON account of the inclemency of the weather, which prevented the country members from coming to town, the meeting of the Literary Society which was called for Wednesday last, the 27th was postponed until Wednesday December the 11th. It is particularly desired that every member be present as business of much importance is to be transacted.

A CHILD'S IDEA OF A COMMITTEE.—In examining a little girl a few days ago in her lesson in history, we asked her the meaning of "a committee," with her head full of Agricultural Fairs, and particularly the household departments thereof, she quickly replied. "People who taste good things." This same little girl in writing a composition last spring, spelt Pic Nic, "Phnick Phick." She would make a good Russian.

A modest, bashful youth was sitting in the barber's chair, breathing, as is customary, soft nonsence into a credulous ear that did not believe a word he said. He forgot the register above to mamma's room was open. Mamma heard all that was said, and after it was said called to him "not to talk so loud." "Ah!" cried the innocent, "lover's vows are always registered above." And the williksm won the angel!

WE have been shown the remains of a once celebrated English bird gun imported probably a hundred years ago, by Major James Bowers of Kent county Maryland, the most famous and the best marksman of his day. This gun bore only a slight resemblance to the fire arms of the present time. It was the old-fashioned flint and steel, the barrel of the finest metal, the touch-hole bushed with gold, and the entire mounting solid silver. A portion of the last-mentioned, exhibited a carved representation of a pointer dog, and bird. Part of the stock, which was a parti-colored walnut root, susceptible of high polish, has been changed into a cane head by the skillful workman Mr. Tudor at the foundry of J. M. Foote, Esq. And the cane thus crowned with such a relic of the days that are past and gone is held by one of our neighbors and constitutes a weapon of defence in a mild form and a staff for his old age.

THE Junior editor of this paper is a young and tender one, all unused to the ways of the world and constantly taken in by guileful snares. Yesterday Fred Butler had a photograph taken of the back of his head. The Junior saw it and began to inveigh against such foolishness. Fred then explained that the photograph was on the principle of reversed writing and only showed in a mirror. They say that the expression of the Junior's face when he tried the prescription was only equalled by the speed with which Butler fled from the wrath to come.

THE Petersburg papers of the 25th brought us the intelligence of a destructive fire in that city on the night of the 27th, which consumed the splendid Tobacco Factory of the Messrs. Cameron. Loss estimated at 175,000 dollars, insured for 100,000 dollars. While the loss falls heavily on these gentlemen, it will throw out of employment about five hundred operatives. It will be hard on these poor laborers just at the beginning of winter to lose their only means of support, for owing to the dull times it can scarcely be hoped that they will easily find work. These poor people have our sympathies. It was fortunate for the city of Petersburg that it had been visited the day of the fire with a drenching rain, or in all probability, with the high wind prevailing that night, the whole city, south of the Railroad would have been burned.

IMPROVEMENTS are still going on here in the way of house building. Several new houses are in course of construction, while old ones are being repaired and renovated. Still we need more. One dozen dwellings could be rented now if they were to be had. Everybody is wanting to come to Weldon to live. Last week we made some suggestions to the "Building Association." We hope they will go to work and build the needed dwellings at an early day. Let them advertise the financial condition of the association, we learn that it is good, but there needs to be more stock taken so as to increase its capital and we do not doubt that if brought to public notice, subscribers would flock in. If our southern people would be less selfish and try to aid their neighbors and communities they would be more prosperous, and in that way confidence would restore itself and all things work well for us.

WE again suggest to the town commissioners, the great need of public wells in this place. Now, it is with great inconvenience that the business firms are able to supply themselves with drinking water. Persons having private wells dislike to have a promiscuous lot of water carriers continually invading their premises, and by carelessness getting their pumps out of order. It seems to us that a contract could be made with Mr. Reamy at low figures to sink several wells in different parts of the town, which might be paid for from the proceeds of the sales of lots owned, by the corporation. These lots were not long ago advertised in these columns for sale, and the advertisement withdrawn before the appointed day. Since that time we have not heard a word in relation to the matter. Why were the lots not sold? We think they would bring more at this season of the year than any other. A new year is almost upon us, and when that comes almost every one, will have made their arrangements for it, and consequently there will be no demand for such property. We leave the matter now with the commissioners for their consideration.

NOTICE! NOTICE!! NOTICE!!!—Great reduction in Prices at the wholesale and retail grocery store of James T. Gooch—Just received the following:

150 barrels flour, family, extra, and super.
100 bags salt, Liverpool.
50 bags coffee, Rio, Java, Mocs, &c,
75 boxes soap, Russian Sterling, &c.
5 Cases Teas.
25 tierces sugars, Granulated, A C and Extra C.
100 bags flour, all sizes and grades.
10 hogsheads, sides and shoulders.
1000 lbs hams and breakfast bacon.
500 lbs lard from 1 to 5 lbs cans.
20 barrels herrings and mackerel.
10,000 cigars, all brands.
25 boxes tobacco.
25 grosses snuff.
500 bundles ties.
25 rolls bagging.
100 bushels oats.
25 boxes cream cheese.
50 bushels bolted meal.
400 feet rubber belting.
125 sacks ground alum salt
100 Reams wrapping paper.
Cooking soda, spice, pepper mustard, starch, blueing, candles matches, &c
Call and see me.

J. T. GOOCH,
Weldon, N. C.

### Sensible Talk.

Father Evans, of the Chronicle, writes sense. He says:

"A young man who had patronized our paper to the amount of 50 cents, called on us to let us know this time had expired and that his friends told him he could get the New York Sun for $1 a year. We advised him by all means to go for it, and to pay for it in potatoes, the same currency he paid us. Perhaps she may find an article in the Sun, in the course of a year, that will interest him enough to read it. It we published a daily paper and at the end of each week put all the old daily news matter together and struck off a weekly paper, we could well afford it for 75 cents a year. But how many persons in New York, outside of a lunatic asylum, would want the paper because it was a 'cheap' article? And who, in New York, would feel the least interest in its local news? But cheap papers run by joint stock companies are a great thing down South—especially if they are printed in the North and have for their object the ruin and political damnation of the South. Of course Southern fools should patronize them in preference to home papers that can't afford to come so cheap, unless they are printed like the Weekly Sun, and have for their object the promotion and elevation of the stockholders in the concern to fat offices and high places. Nothing like 'cheap papers,' whether printed at home or abroad—to damn the South or elevate the owners to high places."

**5000 Bales of Cotton Wanted.**—Highest cash prices paid.

J. T. Gooch, Weldon, N. C.

### What a Man Had Rather be.

I'd rather be poor with an easy conscience, than rich and forever troubled with the reflection that what I possessed was dishonestly obtained.

I'd rather be a full grown, black, bob-tailed dog and bay at the moon, than a worthless loafer, getting my living by sponging on other folks.

I'd rather be a pet monkey and take the nickles for an organ grinder, than a fawning sycophant, trotting after, praising and sping big men.

I'd rather be a boot-black than a boot lick.

### Bill Arp on Steers.

[Atlanta Constitution.]

I never liked steers as a model of blooded stock, nor as a motive power, but my neighbor Freeman says they make the best plow oxes in the world, that they go slow, but they'll go all day constant and keep the furrer and never break nothin' nor run away, and if they plow up a yaller-jackets' nest and get stung all over, it only peertens 'em up a little—nothin' more. But it seems to me that nothin' in the world would be more monotonous than to follier 'em around. I'd rather work a mule any time, and have him run away or kick the back band in the top of a tree once or twice in a while. Wouldn't you?

### Killed His Wife.

SHERMAN, TEXAS November 21.—James McKinney, hotel proprietor, last night entered the room of his wife, who was sitting in a rocking chair placed a six shooter to her breast, and exclaimed, 'Hattie, you're a dead woman,' and fired. The ball passed in near the left nipple and out at the small of the back. Mrs. McKinney fell back, mortally wounded, and the infamous murderer escaped. McKinney is aged fifty, and his wife, handsome and buxom, was aged thirty five. They had been married eighteen months, and came from Lexington county, Mississippi, a year ago. The cause was jealousy, but the wife was a pure, good woman, who two months since thrashed the old man for assaulting her.

### A Wedding Guest Drops Dead.

[From the N. J. Herald.]

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon Aaron Weiss, clothing dealer on First street, was married to Miss Bernard. Both of the parties were of the Jewish faith, and the ceremony, which took place at the bride's house, was in accordance with the rules of their religion, and was able, impressive and brilliant. After the ceremony the guests were given a grand reception. About 9 o'clock this morning the festivities were brought to a sad end by Mrs. Berla, of Newark, one of the guests, suddenly dropping dead. The awful event caused much terror among the gay party. Dr. Schlomer, who was called in said that the cause of death was heart disease.

### Our Ringwood Letter.

RINGWOOD, N. C., Nov. 26th, 1878.

Mr. W. J. Threewitts, a highly respected and worthy citizen living one mile from this place, died at his residence yesterday after a protracted illness leaving a large family and many friends to regret his departure. Mr. T. had not an enemy on earth. He was kind agreeable, spoke well of every one when he spoke at all. Strictly honest. If our country was filled with such men, there would be no need of laws. If an "honest man is the noblest work of God," he has gone to his reward and ere this has heard the joyful plaudit "Well done thou good and faithful servant enter thou into the joys of thy Lord.

G. E. M.

### How the Princess Looks.

The Princess lunched with her brother, the Duke of Edinburgh, and returned to the Sarmatian late in the afternoon. The dress of the Princess was a black silk, trimmed with fur, and she wore a knowing little Astrakhan cap with a red pompon, which was the only bit of positive color in her toilet. The Princess is certainly a more comely woman, as I have said, than any of her royal sisters. None of her photographs do her justice. Her eyes are of a dreamy blue, her hair of a rich brown and her figures is as graceful and symmetrical as that of a princess should be. She is not a very tall woman, but she looks as if she were by the side of her husband, who is unquestionably short and for so young a man unquestionably rather stout. His face has not only broadened since he was in America twelve years ago, but the lines have grown stronger and mellier. The very light reddish hue of his slight side whiskers and his hair at the first glance lend a careless observer to think him older than he is, as it might be taken for a positive gray. But upon a closer inspection he appears even younger than he is, by reason of his fresh smooth complexion. Though the day was bright with sunshine and rather warm, the Marquis wore this morning a top coat richly faced with fur.—New York World.

AN HISTORICAL FACT.—Every agent who has been steadily selling the Improved $20 Homestead Sewing Machine for three years, owns his dwelling house, has a good account in bank, is clear of debt, and has money at interest—the natural consequence of securing a good agency for superior goods at the lowest prices. A good first-class Sewing Machine, most useful—reliable at all times, easy to understand and control, the same size and does the same work as any machines that sell at FOUR TIMES the price. There is no machine at any price better, or that will do finer or more work, and certainly none so low in price by many dollars. The HOMESTEAD is widely known and used in thousands of families in the Eastern and Middle States, and daily becoming popular in the West. It will save its cost several times over in one season, doing the work of the family, or will earn four or five dollars a day for any man or woman who sews for a living. It is the strongest machine made, is ready at all times to do its work, makes the strongest and finest stitch yet invented, and is fully acknowledged as the standard Family Sewing Machine. Price, complete for domestic use, $20, delivered at your door, no matter how remote you may reside. Business permanent and honorable, with more certain and rapid sales, and larger profits than any other. Extraordinary liberal offers made to local or traveling agents where we have none established; or if there is no agent near you, send your order direct to the factory. Address John H. Kendall & Co., 421 Broadway, New York.

**$5000! $5000!! $5000!!!**

WANTED! WANTED!! WANTED!!—Wanted $5000 worth of County Orders and Jury Tickets, for which I will pay the highest cash price.

JAS. T. GOOCH,
Weldon, N. C.

HERE is mulium in parvo. The Central Protestant says: Our editorial confession with which we begin another ecclesiastical year is—our mistakes have been for lack of sense, our shortcomings for lack of dollars.

### Special Locals.

Just to hand a consignment of nice butter from 10to 25cts. R P Spiers.

I have on hand three new top buggies and one second hand, two open buggies will sell a bargain. R P Spiers.

R. P. Spiers, Weldon, N. C., is the place to find the biggest stock of new goods in Halifax county. Just to hand 300 cotton picking bags at 10 cts each.

Just to hand a lot of nice side meat, price 8½ to 9. R. P. Spiers, Weldon N. C.

Just to hand 100 sacks Liverpool salt, R. P. Spiers, Weldon.

Just to hand 100 bundles arrow ties at 2.25 per bundle. Also lot of heavy bagging. R. P. Spiers, Weldon.

Just to hand a nice lot ready made clothing, shirts and gents furnishing goods. R. P. Spiers, Weldon.

Just to hand a full line of sallery, harness, whips, &c. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand latest styles gentlemens hats. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand a large and stylish lot of gentlemens clothing. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand a nice lot of blankets shawls and overcoats. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand the cheapest lot of tin and crockery ware ever seen. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand 100 dozen coats spool cotton at 65 cents per dozen. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand a full line of pins needles and all manner of combs, notions and sewing machine needles. R. P. Spiers.

Just to hand almost every thing from a tooth pick to a fine top buggy, or the best sewing machine that ever was offered to the public at 25 dollars. R. P. Spiers.

In time of peace prepare for WAR. While all is quiet don't forget to insure your property with R. F. Butler, General Insurance Agent.

If you die soon will your family be provided for? If not be sure to insure your life in the METROPOLITAN.
R. F. BUTLER, Agent.

Two elegant business and pleasure wagons for one or two horses for sale cheap at the Roanoke Agricultural works Weldon. tf.

Just to hand Ten handsome Top buggies which I will sell for one hundred dollars each and throw in a nice set of harness. Persons wishing to buy cannot do better than to give me a call, they are really good buggies and every one of them warranted 12 months. Twenty-five of these buggies have been sold in the town of Weldon in the last six days. R. P. Spiers,
Bottom Store, Weldon N. C.

Nice lot coffee just to hand, will sell at 15cts, strong and good. R. P. Spiers,
Bottom Store, Weldon N. C.

### Weldon Markets.

REPORTED BY R. P. SPIERS.

WELDON, Nov. 30, 1878.

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| Cotton—Middling Fair, | 8¼cts |
| Middling | 8¼ |
| Low Middling | 8 |
| Good Ordinary | 7½ |
| Bacon sides | 7a7½cts |
| Shoulders | 6½7 |
| Canvassed hams | 14a15 |
| Lard | 12½ |
| Corn | 50 cts per bushel |
| Meal | 80c |
| Family flour | 6 50a7 |
| Best Extra | 5,50a6 00 |
| Super | 5.00a5.50 |
| Sugar standard A | 12½cts |
| Sugar standard B | 10 |
| Sugar extra C | 10allcts |
| Sugar brown | 8c |
| Coffee Rio | 15a20 |
| Coffee Laguyra | 18a20cts |
| Butter | 17a25. |
| Soda | 10c |
| Starch | 10cts |
| Syrups Common | 25a35c per gallon |
| Syrup New Orleans | 50a75cts |
| Nails | 2.25a3.50 per keg |
| Nails retail | 5cts |
| Salt Liverpool | 1.60a1.75 per sack |
| Northern Apples | 5.00 per barrel |
| Southern apples | 3 00 |
| Bees wax | 25c per lb |
| Hay | 1.00 per cwt |
| Fodder | 75 per cwt |
| Candles | 15a18¢ per lb |
| Cheese | 15a16¢ |
| Hides Flint | 7a8c |
| Hides dry-salted | 5a6c |
| Hides green | 2a3c |
| Sole leather | 35a40 |
| Russet Upper | 50.60 |
| Herrings | 3.00a4.00 per barrel |
| Calfskins best brands | 6a8c |
| White cloths | 7a8c |
| Medium ¾ cloths | 6a7c |
| White linings | 5a6c |

### COMMERCIAL MARKETS.

PETERSBURG, Va., Nov. 29, 1878.

COTTON—Market firm at 9¼ for best.

WHEAT—Choice white, 1 08a1 10; good to prime do, 1 03a1 05; fair and medium, 85a91; choice Fultz, 1 05a1 07.

CORN—At present is rather scarce and market active, and price decidedly higher, 58 63c. white, mixed, 52a55c.

OATS—market dull. We quote spring 36a37 per bushel; winter. 38a40.

BACON—Shoulders 6½c., sides 7½c.; bulk shoulders 6a6½; sides 7½a7½c.; Va. hams 13a13½c

SOAP—Common, 4½a5c., as to quality; toilet, 6a20c.

MOLASSES—Extra heavy hogshead, 32c., fierce, 24c; barrels, 23c; golden syrups, 35a45c.; Porto Rico 40.45c; New Orleans, prime, 40 per barrel.

FISH—Fall catch—New Eastport round herrings, $3 25a4 00. Labrador splits 4 50; mackerel 4 50a5 50, N. C., cut 400

Meal—Wholesale, 70c. per bushel of 46 lbs.; retail 85.

Flour—Quiet. We quote: Family $6 50a7 50 as to quality; extra 5a5½. Lower grades are dull and nominal.

Sugar—Market quiet—crushed, powdered and granulated, 10c; A's 9a9½c; yellow, 7½a8½c.

Coffee—Quiet: Rio, 14½a16½c; Laguayra, 17a7½c; Java, 28c.

Salt—Liverpool fine, $1 30.

NORFOLK November 29, 1878.

COTTON—Middling, 8½. Low Middling, 9½. Good Ordinary —— Ordinary —— Tone—Steady.

SUGARS—Market firm. Refined Sugars—A coffee (standard) 8½c per pound; (off) 9c, per pound; white extra C 9½c per pound; yellow 7a8, per pound; hard sugars 10a10½c, per pound; cut loaf 11c, per pound.

FLOUR—Market quiet. We quote: Family $5.50a6.50 per barrel, extra $4 50a5 50 per barrel; superfine $4a4.75 per barrel; fancy family $6.75a8.25 per barrel.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

To satisfy sundry executions against Winfield and Emry in my hands for collection, I shall on Tuesday the 10th day of December 1878 and from day to day thereafter till the whole is disposed of on the premises at Weldon N. C. I shall sell to the highest bidder at public auction for cash the whole stock of goods, ware and merchandise belonging to said Winfield and Emry, including all articles contained in a first-class store.

THOS. J. FIELDS,
Constable.

Nov30tt.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE IN HALIFAX COUNTY.

In pursuance of a decree of the Superior court made at June term 1878, I will sell at public vendue at the court house door in the town of Halifax on Monday the 30th of December 1878 to the highest bidder, the messuage and outlying lands known as "Looking Glass," containing about 1100 acres and the residence and outlying lands known as "Heshosia," containing about 200 acres. They being the lands and tenements owned by Mrs. Catherine Edmondston at the time of her death. Terms of sale, one-fourth of the purchase money to be paid in cash, the residue in two bonds of equal payments on a credit of one and two years with interest on the deferred payments from the day of sale. The title to be reserved until all the payments are made or until ordered by the Superior court to make a title to the purchaser, or his Assignee.

RICHARD H. SMITH,
Commissioner.

Nov30 tds.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

I am now running a daily mail from Scotland Neck to Halifax. I have a comfortable two horse hack, which leaves Scotland Neck, every morning for Halifax and returns same day. Will take passengers and express packages at reasonable rates. I am also prepared to entertain travelers, promising to spare no pains to make them comfortable.

Respectfully,
W. H. SHIELDS.

Nov 30tf.

NOTICE.

To satisfy sundry executions against T. L. Emry in my hands for collection I shall on Tuesday the 10th day of December 1878, sell on the premises at Weldon, N. C., household and kitchen furniture belonging to said Emry consisting of beds, bedsteads, bed-clothes, chairs, tables, &c. Also a quantity of hay and brick on the model farm, one wagon and harness and two head of hogs.

N. R. JONES, Sheriff,
by J. T. Gooch, D. S.

Nov30tt.

COTTON SEED FOR SALE.

5000 Bushels Cotton Seed for Sale, price 10cts per bushel cash, delivered on cars at Halifax, N. C. J. W. FAUCETT.

Nov23 3t.

FOR SALE.

Two well-made flat boats, 9 feet wide 28 feet long, 2 feet deep. 4 inch gunwales, will be sold very cheap for cash, or trade for corn or cotton. Call on.

Nov16tf R. F. BUTLER.

NOTICE.

I will on the 18th day of December 1878, on the premises rent out for the year of 1879, or lease for a term of years to the highest bidder that tract of land belonging to the estate of J. J. Long, Sr. deceased, known as "Norwoods," lying in Northampton county on the Roanoke river, opposite the town of Halifax, unless sooner rented privately. For further information apply to the undersigned at Weldon or to J. W. Faucett, Halifax, N. C.

Nov16tf JAS. T. GOOCH.

NOTICE.

In pursuance of an order of the Probate Court of Halifax county, we will on Tuesday the 10th day of December 1878, sell to the highest bidder at Public auction for cash, the perishable property of W. W. Brickell deceased. Consisting of mules, harness and other stock, farming implements, &c., at the place where the said W. W. Brickell lately resided.

R. B. BRICKELL,
J. B. BRICKELL,
Executors.

Nov16tw.

NOTICE.

The co-partnership of the firm heretofore existing under the name and style of White Stainback & Gooch has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Aaron Prescott and J. H. Gooch, having purchased the interests of White and Stainback. The business will hereafter be conducted in name of Prescott & Gooch.

Thanking their friends and the public generally for their past patronage, they ask a continuance of the same to the new firm.

WHITE STAINBACK & GOOCH.

Nov9tf

NOTICE.

The undersigned having this day qualified before the Court of Probate of Halifax county as Executors of the last will and testament of W. W. Brickell deceased hereby notify all persons holding claims against the estate of their testator to present them duly authenticated by the first day of December 1879.

This Oct 15th, 1878.

R. B. BRICKELL,
J. B. BRICKELL,
Executors.

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NEW FIRM.

JAS. L. BASS, Weldon, N. C.
R. L. BARKLEY, Garysburg, N. C.

Having opened a first class Restaurant and Oyster Saloon, next door to W. H. Brown's, on Water Street, are prepared to serve their friends with anything in their line. They have a splendid Oyster Cook, who will serve the delicious bivalves in any style. Oysters by the quantity to their country customers. They will also keep on hand a good supply of Family Groceries, Confectionaries, Tobacco and the best 5 cent Cigars in town.

JAS. L. BASS, & Co.
Oct 19 6m. Water Street.

PLANTATION AT AUCTION.

By virtue of the powers conferred in a Deed in Trust, Registered in Book 41, pages 74—77, Register's office, Warren County, I will (unless previously sold at private sale)

**On Wednesday Nov. 13th, 1878**

At 1 o'clock, p. m., at the Depot at Littleton, Warren county N. C., expose for sale at auction that

**FINE PLANTATION**

Containing about 1,600 acres of good land with residences, outhouses, &c., complete lying on the Raleigh & Gaston Railroad near Littleton, adjoining the lands of Nicholas Terhune, Lemuel Vaughan Frederick Shearin and others, known as

**THE LITTLE FARM.**

Terms—$1,000 cash, and $1,000 within ninety days if satisfactorily secured. The balance in three equal installments at six, nine and twelve months, bearing eight per cent. interest till paid.

Title retained until purchase money is fully paid; possession given as soon as the $2,000 cash is paid or satisfactorily secured.

For further information, apply to

JOHN C. BLAKE, Trustee,
Raleigh, N. C.

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