

immediately affect. It now only remains to add, that no bill conflicting with these views can ever receive my constitutional sanction. These opinions have been adopted in the firm belief that they are in accordance with the spirit that actuated the venerated fathers of the Republic, and that succeeding experience has proved them to be humane, patriotic, expedient, honorable and just. If the agitation of this subject was intended to reach the stability of our institutions, enough has occurred to show that it has signally failed; and that in this, as in every other instance, the apprehensions of the timid and the hopes of the wicked for the destruction of our Government, are again destined to be disappointed. Here and there, indeed, scenes of dangerous excitement have occurred; terrifying instances of local violence have been witnessed; and a reckless disregard of the consequences of their conduct has exposed individuals to popular indignation; but neither masses of the people, nor sections of the country, have been swerved from their devotion to the bond of union, and the principles it has made sacred. It will be ever thus. Such attempts at dangerous agitation may periodically return, but with each the object will be better understood. That predominating affection for our political system which prevails throughout our territorial limits; that calm and enlightened judgment which ultimately governs our people as one vast body; will always be at hand to resist and control every effort, foreign or domestic, which aims, or would lead, to overthrow our institutions.

What can be more gratifying than such a retrospect as this? We look back on obstacles avoided, and dangers overcome, on expectations more than realized, and prosperity perfectly secured. To the hopes of the hostile, and the fears of the timid, and the doubts of the anxious, actual experience has given the conclusive reply. We have seen time gradually dispel every unfavorable foreboding, and our Constitution surmount every adverse circumstance, dreaded at the outset as beyond control. Present excitement will, at all times, magnify present dangers; but true philosophy must teach us that none more threatening than the past can remain to be overcome; and we ought, for we have just reason, to entertain an abiding confidence in the stability of our institutions, and an entire conviction that, if administered in the true form, character, and spirit in which they were established, they are abundantly adequate to preserve to us and our children the rich blessings already derived from them; to make our beloved land, for a thousand generations, that chosen spot where happiness springs from a perfect equality of political rights.

For myself, therefore, I desire to declare, that the principle that will govern me in the high duty to which my country calls me, is, a strict adherence to the letter and spirit of the Constitution, as it was designed by those who framed it. Looking back to it as a sacred instrument carefully and not easily framed; remembering that it was throughout a work of concession and compromise; viewing it as limited to national objects; regarding it as leaving to the people and the States all power not explicitly parted with; I shall endeavor to preserve, protect and defend it, by anxiously referring to its provision for direction in every action. To matters of domestic concernment which it has entrusted to the Federal Government, and to such as relate to our intercourse with foreign nations, I shall zealously devote myself; beyond those limits I shall never pass.

To enter, on this occasion, into a further or more minute exposition of my views on the various questions of domestic policy, would be as obtrusive as it is probably unexpected. Before the suffrages of my countrymen were

conferred upon me, I submitted to them, with great precision, my opinions on all the most prominent topics of these subjects. Those opinions I shall endeavor to carry out with my utmost ability.

Our course of foreign policy has been so uniform and intelligible, as to constitute a rule of executive conduct which leaves little to my discretion, unless, indeed, I were willing to run counter to the lights of experience, and the known opinions of my constituents. We sedulously cultivate the friendship of all nations, as the condition most compatible with our welfare, and the principles of our Government. We decline alliances, as adverse to our peace. We desire commercial relations on equal terms, being ever willing to give a fair equivalent for advantages received. We endeavor to conduct our intercourse with openness and sincerity; promptly avowing our objects, and seeking to establish that mutual frankness which is as beneficial in the dealings of nations as of men. We have no disposition, and we disclaim all right, to meddle in disputes, whether internal or foreign, that may molest other countries; regarding them, in their actual state, as social communities, and preserving a strict neutrality in all their controversies. Well knowing the tried valor of our people, and our exhaustless resources, we neither anticipate nor fear any designed aggression; and, in the consciousness of our just conduct, we feel a security that we shall never be called upon to exert our determination, never to permit an invasion of our rights, without punishment or redress.

In approaching, then, in the presence of my assembled countrymen, to make the solemn promise that yet remains, and to pledge myself that I will faithfully execute the office I am about to fill, I bring with me a settled purpose to maintain the institutions of my country, which, I trust, will atone for the errors I commit.

In receiving from the people the sacred trust twice confided to my illustrious predecessor, and which he has discharged so faithfully and so well, I know that I cannot expect to perform the arduous task with equal ability and success. But united as I have been in his counsels, a daily witness of his exclusive and unsurpassed devotion to his country's welfare, agreeing with him in sentiments which his countrymen have warmly supported, and permitted to partake largely of his confidence, I may hope that somewhat of the cheering approbation will be found to attend upon my path. For him, I but express, with my own, the wishes of all—that he may yet long live to enjoy the brilliant evening of his well-spent life, and, for myself, conscious of but one desire, faithfully to serve my country, I throw myself without fear, on its justice and kindness. Beyond that, I only look to the generous protection of the divine being, whose strengthening support I humbly solicit, and whom I fervently pray to look down upon us all. May it be among the dispensations of his providence to bless our beloved country with honors and with length of days, that her ways be ways of pleasantness, and all her paths be peace.



TARBORO, SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 1837.

In the preceding columns will be found the Inaugural Address of President Van Buren, which possesses the rare merit of being highly satisfactory to his friends, and not displeasing to his enemies.

From Washington.—The Senate adjourned on the 9th inst. No change was made in the Cab-

inet—Joel R. Poinsett, of South Carolina being appointed Secretary of War, which office was vacant. President Van Buren's Cabinet consequently stands thus: John Forsyth, Secretary of State. Levi Woodbury, of the Treasury. Joel R. Poinsett, of War. Amos Kendall, Postmaster Gen'l. B. F. Butler, Attorney General.

Among the recent appointments we notice the following: George M. Dallas, Minister to Russia.

Henry Wheaton, Minister to Prussia.

Powhatan Ellis, Minister to the Mexican States.

Alcee La Branche, Charge d' Affaires to Texas.

William H. Haywood, of N. C. Charge d' Affaires to Belgium.

Montfort Stokes, of N. C. to be Agent for the Cherokee Indians.

Referring to the appointment of Mr. Haywood, the Raleigh Standard very justly observes:—"Mr. H. is well calculated for diplomatic service, both in regard to talents, education and manners; nor can his estimable private character fail to add weight and dignity to his mission."

The Spring Term of our Superior Court commenced in this place on Monday last and has not yet terminated, Judge Bailey presiding. There have been no cases tried, either civil or criminal, worthy special notice. This is the first appearance of Judge Bailey among us in a judicial character, and we but express the general sentiment when we state, that the dignity and urbanity of his manners, his brief and lucid expositions of the law, his just and impartial decisions, and his prompt and unremitting attention to his duties, have given universal satisfaction.

In our advertising columns will be found the Prospectus of a new paper, to be established in this place. To prevent erroneous impressions we will merely state that this paper will not be discontinued on that account.

Petersburg Market, March 14.—Cotton, 13 1/2 a 16 cents; Bacon, (new) 14; Lard, 14 a 15.—*Con.*

Melancholy Suicide.—Mr. John Coleman, a respectable planter, (late of Columbus, Geo.) who had settled with his family on the Cowagee, was so much overcome by the fatigue consequent upon his removal therefrom after the recent murder of Mr. Pugh, that he seized hold of a pistol during a paroxysm of mental aberration, and blew out his brains.

Late from Europe.—Liverpool dates to the 3d of February, have been received at New York. The Cotton markets were dull and prices declining. The influenza was prevailing to a dreadful extent, and multitudes have perished.

The Rev. Alfred Norman will preach at the Old Church in this place, on Sunday next, the 19th inst.—*Com.*

MARRIED.
In this county, on Wednesday evening, the 8th inst. by Rev. William Hyman, Mr. Willie Ward of Greene county, to Miss Louisa Leggett, daughter of Mr. Levin Leggett.

Notice.
Subscriber informs the Stockholders in the
WILMINGTON AND RALEIGH
Rail Road Company,
Residing in the county of Edgecombe, that he has been appointed Collector of the instalments due and that may hereafter be due from them. All those in arrears will therefore call and pay up, as soon as practicable.
Jas. M. Redmond,
Tarboro', March 14, 1837.

Prices Current,
At Tarboro' and New York

MAR. 13.	per	Tarboro'.	New York
Bacon,	lb.	12 15	13 16
Beeswax,	lb.	20 25	27 28
Brandy, apple,	gall'n	45 50	47 48
Coffee,	lb.	13 16	11 15
Corn,	bush.	75 80	100 105
Cotton,	lb.	13 14	15 17 1/2
Cotton bag'g.	yard.	20 25	19 23
Flour, sup'.	bb'l.	\$11 \$12	\$11 12
Iron,	lb.	4 5	3 4
Lard,	lb.	12 15	15 16
Molasses,	gall'n	55 60	32 45
Sugar, brown,	lb.	11 13	7 10
Salt, T. I.	bush	70 75	40 45
Turpentine,	bb'l.	250 275	350 400
Wheat,	bush.	100 125	150 165
Whiskey,	bb'l.	60 65	44 46

PROSPECTUS
OF THE
Tarboro' Scævola.

WE propose to publish in the town of Tarboro', Edgecombe County, N. C. a weekly paper, entitled, the
Tarboro' scævola,

EDITED BY
M. EDWARD MANNING,
And printed by J & W Manning.

(We have adopted for the title of the paper; Scævola, in honor of Mucius Scævola of ancient Rome, who was willing to lay down his life as a sacrifice for Republicanism, and did burn and torture the hand in fire, that missed Porseuna the invader of their Rights.) According to custom we proceed to lay before the public an analysis upon which this paper will be devoted to Politics, Commerce, Agriculture, Internal Improvements, Mechanics, Medicine, Literature, and Science in general. It cannot fail of being useful to the Politician, the Merchant, the Farmer, the Mechanic, the Physician, and Literary men who dislike to trouble themselves (entirely) with the platitude of political strife. We are resolved to exert every nerve of our sensorium to render it useful and pleasing to the Ladies; who, Veturia-like are the arbitresses of the world. The principles of Democracy (the watch tower of liberty,) will be defended with every talent we are master of. The administration of Martin Van Buren, and R. M. Johnson; will be supported, and its Jackson-like course advocated with sanguine fervency. All the most important and interesting proceedings of Congress, and the State Legislature, will be reported. We shall endeavor to obtain the latest commercial news from the North, and lay before our patrons with despatch. We intend to avail ourselves of the advantage of the best publications on the subjects of internal improvement, and agriculture, and by that means will be able to select a number of essays, which cannot fail, of being useful to all who have the prosperity of their country at heart.

We will procure all important and necessary information in Medicine, within our sphere, of country and hospital cases, and give their pathology and treatment publicity. A portion of the Scævola will generally be devoted to anecdotes, and polite literature; and whiggery blown sky-high. Knowing the necessity of the publication of a truly democratic periodical in the town of Tarboro', we call on the good people of Edgecombe and adjoining counties, and the inhabitants of the U. S. to patronize and sustain us in carrying out the principles of Democracy.

TERMS.—The Scævola will be printed on an imperial sheet at \$3 per annum or \$3 50 at the end of the year. No subscription will be received for a less period than a year; and the paper will not be discontinued until orders are received to that effect, and all arrearsages settled. Advertising at the rate of one dollar per square for three insertions, and 25 cents for each subsequent insertion. A liberal discount will be made to those who advertise by the year. All letters to be addressed to Tarboro', Edgecombe Co. N. Carolina, post paid. The first No. will be issued the 10th of May next. All those holding subscription lists will forward them by the first of May, and those that will obtain six responsible subscribers will be entitled to one paper gratis.

All P. Masters in the State will please act as Agents for the Tarboro' Scævola.
March 14, 1837.

Editors of newspapers are requested to give the above one or two insertions.

Will be Sold,
ON the 22d inst. at the late residence of Godwin Cotten, in the town of Tarborough,

A few Hogs,
A parcel of Saled Pork and Beef, some valuable Books, Household and Kitchen furniture, and sundry other articles too tedious to mention—on a credit of six months, notes with good security will be required; all sums under five dollars, cash.
All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons holding claims against the estate are notified to bring them forward within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.
Ephraim Dicken, Adm'r,
March 3d, 1837. Pendente litem.



\$20 Reward.
RAN AWAY from the subscriber, on the 10th ultimo, my negro man

DICK,
Who is about 25 or 26 years of age, five feet eleven inches high, with no particular marks on his person. Dick is well known in this neighborhood, and has a wife at Mrs. Cromwell's, in this county, where he is no doubt now lurking. The above reward will be paid for his apprehension and delivery to the subscriber, or confinement in jail or otherwise, so that he gets him again.
Thomas B Irwin.
Tarboro', March 13, 1837. 11



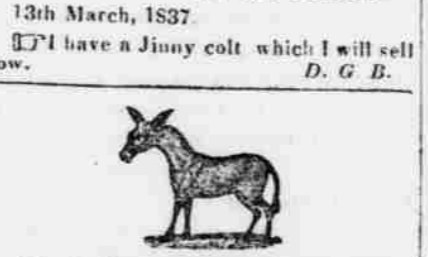
A Race! A Race!!
A SWEEPSTAKE RACE, for three year old Colts, One Hundred Dollars each, now five subscribers and closed, will come off on Tuesday the 28th March, at the Milton track, near

Nashville, Nash. county,
And, on the next day, there will be A PURSE of about Fifty Dollars given, to be run for, mile heats, by saddle horses, or horses that have not been regularly trained, to carry catch weights; and the entrance of each horse will be ten dollars, to be added to the purse.
The Proprietor.
March 14, 1837.



Young Jack,
WILL STAND the present season which has commenced. He will be at J. C. Knight's store on the 18th and 19th of the present month, and longer if necessary—then home and stay seven days, then back to Knight's store—so on till the 1st day of July, when the season will expire. He will be let to mares at FOUR DOLLARS the leap, SIX DOLLARS the season, and TEN Dollars to insure a mare to be in foal, with 25 Cents to the Groom in every instance. The season and leap money to be due at the end of the season—the insurance from the first day of January next. Mares put if not mentioned otherwise at the time they are first put, will be charged by the season and when charged no alteration will be made. Great care will be taken to prevent accidents, but no liability if any should occur. Any person putting a mare by the insurance and fails to attend the stand, will be held bound for the insurance money whether she gets in foal or not. A transfer of property before it is ascertained whether in foal or not, forfeits the insurance money.
D. G. Baker
13th March, 1837.
I have a Jinny colt which I will sell low.
D. G. B.

LEANDER,
WILL STAND the ensuing season at his stable four miles west of Col Sharpe's, seven miles east of Upper Town Creek meeting house—He will be let to mares at FIVE DOLLARS the leap, SIX Dollars the season, and EIGHT Dollars to insure a mare to be in foal, with 25 Cents to the Groom in every instance. The season will commence the 10th of March and end the 15th of July next. The leap and season money will be due at the end of the season, and that with interest—the insurance money will be due the 1st of January next, or as soon as the fact is ascertained or the property changed. Any person putting by the insurance and fails to attend the stand, forfeits the insurance money. All care will be taken to prevent accidents, but no liability for any that may happen.
Leander,
Is nine years old this spring—his mules are well calculated to draw the attention of any person that wants tip-top mules.
John K. Pitt.
13th March, 1837.



Town Creek Dragoons!
Attention!
YOU will parade at Saratoga, on the 2nd Saturday in March, armed and equipped as the bye-laws require
A patriotic discourse,
Will be delivered on the occasion, by LEMUEL DEBERRY, Esq.
By order of Capt. Gallin,
H. Bridges, O. S.
Feb. 28, 1837.



Notice.

THE subscriber having qualified on the 22d inst. at the late residence of said dec'd, the estate of

Martha Cotten, dec'd,
Will offer for sale, on Thursday, the 23d inst. at the late residence of said dec'd, one mile west from Sparta, all of the perishable property, consisting of the year's crop of

Cotton, Corn,
50 or 60 bushels Peas,
ALSO,

Stock of every description—Horses, Cattle, Hogs—a quantity of Bacon and Lard—60 gallon still, apple mill, and all the farming utensils—together with the household and kitchen furniture, including bedsteads, &c. A credit of six months will be given, the purchaser giving bond, and approved security before the property is changed.
At the same time and place,
The Land will be rented



Together with a comfortable DWELLING and all necessary out houses, for the use of the present year. Also, several

Negroes will be hired out
For the present year, among which are several plough boys, an excellent house servant, weaver, &c. together with several negro women and children, who will be let out to the lowest bidder.

All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them properly authenticated within the time limited by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery—and all those indebted to said estate will make payment immediately, as no indulgence can be given.
The above property will be sold without any reservation—Purchasers are invited to attend, as GREAT BARGAINS may be expected.
John Mercer, Adm'r.
March 2, 1837. 9

Notice.

THE subscriber having qualified on the 22d inst. at the late residence of said dec'd, the estate of

Elza Hawkins, dec'd,
Will offer for sale, at the late residence of said Hawkins, on Wednesday the 22d inst. all the perishable property of said dec'd, consisting of



Horses, Cattle,
Hogs, Corn, Fodder, &c.

Together with the Household and Kitchen Furniture, and other articles too tedious to mention. Six months credit will be given, the purchaser giving bond and approved security before the property is changed.
At the same time and place,
The Negroes, 3 in number,
Will be sold, and one hired and the LAND rented for the present year.

All persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them properly authenticated within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery—and those indebted will make payment immediately, as no indulgence can be given.
Dempsey Bryan, Adm'r.
March 2, 1837. 9

Notice.

THE subscriber having qualified on the 22d inst. at the late residence of said dec'd, the estate of

Willie Ellis, dec'd,
Requests all persons indebted to the said estate to make payment immediately; and all those having claims against the estate, to bring them in within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

ALSO, will be sold, on Saturday the 18th of March, at the late residence of the said dec'd,
Horses, Cattle, Hogs,



And Sheep—Household and Kitchen Furniture, and other articles too tedious to mention.
Six months credit will be given, the purchaser giving bond and security.

The Negroes
Will be hired out until the first day of January next.
Benja. Sharpe, Adm'r.
27th Feb. 1837.

Printing neatly executed,
AT THIS OFFICE.