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James Simmons, Esq. postmaster at Halifax, is our general agent for that vicinity.

H. Johnston,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

WISHES to inform his friends and the public generally, that he has just returned from *New-York*, with his full supply of newly imported **GOODS**, in his line of business, such as

Superfine Cloths of the most fashionable colors, do. cassimeres do.—a handsome assortment of Vestings—also, a complete assortment of Trimmings, &c.

All of which he is determined to sell low for Cash, or on a credit to punctual customers. He yet continues at his late stand, nearly opposite the Court-house, where he will thankfully receive all orders in his line of business, and pledges himself to execute the same in the most fashionable and neatest manner.

Tarborough, Oct. 5, 1826. 7

Jailor's Notice.

TAKEN up and committed to the Jail of Halifax county, a negro man who says his name is *Gideon*, and belongs to Mr. Richard Taylor, of Granville county, N. C. The said negro is about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, dark complexion, and appears to be between 50 and 60 years of age. The owner is hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, otherwise he will be disposed of as the law directs.

Dixie C. Fenner, Jailor.

Halifax, 19th Sept. 1826. 5

Thirty Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, on Sunday night, the 12th of March last, a negro woman, named *POLLY*, about 28 years old, nearly five feet high, yellow complexion, spare made, has a mild look and genteel appearance, (for a negro,) when well dressed; she is an expert hand at roguery, and is well calculated to deceive unless tightly and closely examined. She was seduced away by a black free negro, *Carter Newson* by name, a shoemaker by trade, who is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 8 inches high, thick set, has a pleasant countenance and very white teeth, which he shews very much when speaking or laughing: he is strongly suspected of being a runaway slave. In my former advertisement, I stated that from threats which the wench made prior to her elopement, they would, by changing their names, and getting forged free papers, endeavor to make their escape to some free state: since that time, they have been lurking about Halifax town, in the vicinity of which, they probably are at this time. All persons are forbidden from harboring or carrying off said negro under the penalty of the law. The above reward, with all reasonable charges, will be paid for securing said woman in any jail, so that I get her again, or for her delivery to me.

Lunsford W. Scott.

Halifax co. N. C.

August 15, 1826.

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Blank Warrants for sale.

KING & GATLIN,

TAILORS,

WISH to inform their friends and the public generally, that they have recently entered into Co-partnership, and taken for their stand, the house opposite the shop of Doctors Hall & Sugg, next door above the store of Henry Austin, Esq. and a few doors below the Post Office—where they will thankfully receive all orders in their line of business, and (having just received a general assortment of the best *Trimmings* that could be procured in *New-York*) pledge themselves to execute their work in the most faithful, neat, and fashionable manner. In doing this, they hope to merit a share of public patronage.

Tarborough, Oct. 18, 1826. 9



THE Corner Stone of the Masonic Hall of *Morning Star Lodge, No. 85*, in *Nashville*, will be laid on Wednesday, the 1st November next, and an **ORATION** delivered by Dr. B. B. HUNTER. The members of the fraternity, the workmen engaged in the erection of the building, and citizens, are respectfully invited to attend.

By order of the Worshipful Master,
H. BLOUNT, Sec'y.
Oct. 20, 1826. 9

Drs. Dancy & Boykin,

HAVING entered into Co-partnership, beg leave to inform the citizens of Edgecombe, that they are prepared to enter into the practice of the various branches of their professional duties, (viz.) *Midwifery, Surgery*, and the *Practice of Medicine*. Orders left at their residences or at their shop, will be promptly attended.

They also inform the Public, that they have furnished themselves with a fresh and plentiful supply of *Medicines*, and intend keeping on hand a like supply, which they will sell at wholesale or retail, upon as low terms as they can be purchased in any part of the State.

Tarboro', Sept. 1, 1826. 3

Cabinet-making, Turning, &c.

THE Subscriber having erected a complete workshop for the above business in all its various branches, respectfully informs his friends and the public in general, that he is now prepared to execute any work in his line that he may receive orders for, viz:

Sideboards, China presses, secretaries, book-cases, bureaux, tables, wash-stands, candle-stands, gentlemen's and ladies' wardrobes, ladies' and gentlemen's cabinets, cylinder-fall desks, portable and common do. and bedsteads of all descriptions.

The work in general will be well executed, and of good materials.

ALSO, THE

TURNING BUSINESS,

Will be carried on in all its branches, viz: *Wood, iron, brass, ivory, &c.* Carpenters who may want turning done, can be accommodated, with the turning of columns, newel posts, balusters, drops, corner blocks, rosettes, &c.

The above work will be executed as cheap as the times will admit of, and in as short time as it can be done.

LEWIS LAYSSARD.

Halifax, Sept. 1826. 5



New Hope Fall Races,

FOR 1826,

WILL commence on *Tuesday, the 14th November next*, and continue **FOUR** days—

First Day—A purse, \$200, two mile heats—entrance \$15.

Second Day—Proprietor's purse, \$200, two mile heats—entrance \$15.

Third Day—Jockey Club purse, \$400, three mile heats—entrance \$20.

Fourth Day—The *Ladies' Purse*, \$200, two mile heats—entrance \$15.

MONEY UP on each day without discount.

Toll collected at the gate as usual, and *New-Market* rules to govern the course.

By order of the Club,

E. B. FREEMAN, Sec'y.

Halifax, N. C. Oct. 10. 9-3

The Proprietor will have the Track in good order, and will furnish stables and litter for *RACE HORSES*, as usual, *gratis*. He pledges himself to afford every accommodation in his power, to render the time of the sportsmen and others who may call on him pleasant and agreeable.

WM. M. WEST, Proprietor.

Notice.

ON Tuesday, the 14th of Nov. next, (if fair, or the next fair day,) will be exposed to Public Sale, at the dwelling-house of Col. Rhesa Read, dec'd, the *plantation utensils, house and kitchen furniture, the crop of fodder and corn, and the stock of every description, consisting of horses, sheep, cows and hogs*. Those wishing to purchase beeves and good hogs, will do well to attend, as a large quantity will be sold. Upon all sums over Ten dollars a credit of twelve, and under, of six months will be given.

MARTIN READ, Executor.

All persons holding claims against the estate, are requested to present them, and those indebted to it to make immediate payment, as further indulgence cannot be given.

M. READ.

Halifax, N. C. 17th Oct. 1826.

New and Fashionable.

THE Subscribers have just received a new assortment of the most fashionable **GOODS**, consisting of *British, French, India and American, together with a good assortment of Groceries, Hardware and Crockery:*

Which can be bought of the Subscribers (at the store formerly occupied by J. B. Calland) on the most accommodating terms. Those who wish to combine economy with beauty, will not be disappointed by calling on the Subscribers. Terms of credit, twelve months—those who settle before the time stipulated, will be allowed a deduction of five per cent. A liberal price will be given for Peas and Cotton in trade.

H. & J. J. WATTS.

Clark's Store, Oct. 13, 1826. 8-2

Millinery & Mantua-making.

MRS. SNEADER respectfully informs the inhabitants of Halifax and vicinity, that she still continues the *Millinery and Mantua-making* business in Halifax, and has on hand, as usual, a general assortment of *Ladies' fancy goods*. Persons indebted to her are earnestly requested to call and settle their accounts immediately, as she is desirous of laying in her fall supply as early as possible.

Halifax, Aug. 15, 1826.

Notice.

THE Subscribers have associated themselves together under the firm of **J. H. SIMMONS & CO.**

And intend carrying on the mercantile business at *Enfield* for a number of years. They hope to share a liberal proportion of public patronage.

J. H. SIMMONS.

R. H. CROWELL.

C. COLE.

J. H. Simmons & Co. expect daily a general assortment of **DRY GOODS**, part of which are very cheap; *Hats, Straw, Leghorn and Silk Bonnets, part of which are very handsome, Hardware, Guns, Cutlery, Shoes and Boots, Groceries, Crockery, &c. &c.* All of which being bought in *New-York* for Cash, and a part at Auction, they can and will sell on the most moderate terms for Cash, Country Produce, or on a credit (to punctual customers) until the 1st next January. J. H. Simmons & Co. wish to buy a quantity of seed Cotton, for which the highest cash price will be given.

We have also a few sets elegant *Plated Gig Harness*, which will be sold at the reduced price of £30.

Enfield, 17th Oct. 1826. 9-5

Domestic.

Freemasons.—We were in error in some of the particulars relative to the recent transactions at *Batavia, N. Y.* It seems that a Capt. Morgan, a Royal Arch Mason, has been for many years compiling a work on Masonry, or rather in compiling all the secrets and mysteries of the craft, which Mr. Miller of *Batavia* agreed to publish. Capt. Morgan was carried to *Candaigua* on a charge of petit larceny—was released and then imprisoned for debt, and it is a fact that he has been carried off no one knows where, as no account has been received of him. A number of persons have petitioned the Governor to issue a proclamation offering a reward for his discovery. The whole affair is mysterious. Mr. Follet of the *Times* had no participation in the transaction.

Gambling.—The following is the copy of an endorsement on a \$20 bank note, lately received by a person in *New-Orleans*:

"This is the last note of \$10,000 lost at gaming in the city of *New-Orleans*: May he or they into whose hands it next falls, turn it to better account than did *D.A.M.*"

Mails.—The postmaster general has proposed a change in the carrying of the mail between *Washington City* and *Charleston, S. C.* by which the whole route, 560 miles will be travelled in 127 hours, including 14 hours stoppage.

In the Vice Chancellor's Court, *Great Britain*, a suit lately ended, with the consent of both parties, which had lasted *fifty years*,

The number of illegitimate children born in *Paris* during the year 1825, was 10,224.