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By Geo. Howard,

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## Patent COTTON PRESS.

THE Subscriber informs his friends and the public in general, that he has invented a new and useful

### Machine for Packing Cotton

IN SQUARE BALES.

By the power of a lever acting on a fulcrum, which drives the follower that presses the Cotton into the bale.

The power of this Machine is such, that from 300 to 350 lbs. of Cotton can be pressed into two breadths of 42 inch Bagging, 4 feet 6 inches long, with considerable ease and in a very short time; and 500 lbs. can be pressed into less than 5 yards of the same kind of bagging, by observing the proper process. The superior advantages are clearly manifest, for in addition to the small quantity of bagging required, which certainly is an object, two hands can with ease pack from 10 to 12 bales in one day. The simplicity of this machine, and its superior power, are greatly admired by mechanical artists, and in fact, by all who have seen it. By a mechanical demonstration, it is proven that the power of the Lever and its concomitants are equal if not superior to any, even to the Wedge, if properly applied. From the high and frequent encomiums which have been paid on the invention, the Subscriber is induced to offer it to the public as something worthy of their notice. Any person that may want, can apply to the Subscriber at Halifax, N. C.

Patent letters having been obtained from the proper authorities, all persons are prohibited from making or using the same, without legal right. All infringements will meet with the rigor of the law, made and provided in such cases. Any mechanic wishing to be benefited by the invention, may by paying a moderate sum, secure individual District or State rights; the same are offered to farmers and all others. It is hoped that the certificates annexed, relative to the performance of the press, will be satisfactory, without enumerating others.

LEWIS LAYSSARD.

Halifax, N. C. Aug. 25, 1827. 2-9

### SOUTH-CAROLINA.

City of Columbia.

I do certify that the Rev. Lewis Laysard has erected a Cotton Press, agreeable to his Patent, at my plantation, fifteen miles above Columbia, and that it has been put in operation as far as packing two bales, and from the report of my overseer, it will pack 100 lbs. of Cotton into a yard of Bagging; that it has been examined by Mr. James Boatwright and Mr. Nathans, two experienced mechanics, who think highly of the mode of packing Cotton.

SAMUEL GREEN, P. M.

Columbia, S. C. April 6, 1827.

### SOUTH-CAROLINA.

Lancaster District.

I do hereby certify that Lewis Laysard, of Halifax county, North-Carolina, has built for me a new invented Cotton Press, the performance of which Press on a fair trial so far surpasses my expect-

tations, and also that of any invention I have ever seen or heard of, in the act of nice performance of packing Cotton, that I feel it my duty to recommend to the public for their advantage, the above described presses. Witness my hand, the 22d June, 1827. A. COIEL.

The public are informed that the Subscriber has constituted Mr. F. S. Marshall, of the town of Halifax, N. C. his agent for the states of Virginia and North-Carolina—and Mr. John Workman, of Camden, S. C. his agent for the districts of Lancaster, Fairfield, Darlington, Chester, Chesterfield and York, in South-Carolina, from whom Rights may be obtained.

LEWIS LAYSSARD.

Extract from an advertisement of Mr. Workman.

"He deems it unnecessary for him to bestow any encomiums upon this improvement in the art of compressing Cotton. Suffice it to say, that the ease and cheapness with which it can be erected, and the small force required to work it, are sufficient to recommend it; saying nothing of its superior power and durability."

## \$50 Reward.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, living in the county of Edgecombe, N. C. about eight miles north of Tarborough, on the 24th of August last, a negro fellow named WASHINGTON, about 24 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, dark complexion, stout built, and an excellent field hand—no particular marks about him recollected. The said fellow was formerly owned by Mr. Jas. Taylor, of Martin county, and I think it more than probable that he is now lurking in the neighborhood of Taylor's Ferry. The above reward of Fifty Dollars, will be given to any person who will apprehend said negro and deliver him to me, or lodge him in jail so that I get him again. All persons are hereby forbid harboring or employing said fellow under penalty of the law.

JOHN LAWRENCE.

Oct. 4, 1827. 7-3

## \$25 Reward.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, on the 23d of July last, a negro boy named GEORGE; he is about 17 or 18 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches in height, dark color, a pert lively look, and in speaking is apt to stutter a little; he has lost most of his fore teeth, and has two or three distinct scars on his throat, occasioned by a rising some time since. Said boy was purchased about 18 months since, from Mr. Mathew Cluff, of Norfolk, at which place he was raised, but has frequently been to Elizabeth-City, in this State, and the boy said that he had been several times at sea. I expect that he will attempt to get either to Elizabeth-City or Norfolk. A reward of Twenty-Five Dollars will be given to any person who will apprehend said boy and lodge him in any jail, so that I can get him again. Masters of vessels and all other persons are hereby forbid harboring, employing, or carrying off said boy, under the penalty of the law.

SAMUEL FARMER.

Edgecombe County, N. C. } 3

Septem. 4, 1827.

The Norfolk Herald and Elizabeth-City Star will please insert the above until otherwise directed.

Praise the fineness of the day when it is ended; praise a woman when you have known her, the ice when once you have crossed it, and the liquor after it is drunk.

## For Rent.

THE ensuing year, the STORE HOUSE AND LOT, opposite the Court-House, now occupied by Mr. John Matthewson. Possession given in October. Apply to Joseph J. Pippen, near Tarborough, or to

ELI PORTER.

Tarborough, Sept. 29, 1827. 7-4

## A List of Letters,

Remaining in the Post-Office at Halifax, N. C. on the 1st of October 1827, which if not taken out before the 1st of January next, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

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| Davis Winifred Mrs | Pettway M H Esq 6    |
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| Daniel Maria Miss  | Pierce Nath Esq      |
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| Hardy Mary Miss    | Turner Maria Mrs     |
| Hardy Eliz'th Mrs  | Willeox Little'y Maj |
| Harris Mark        | Williams Turner      |
| Hooks Curtis Rev   | Wilkins Edmd         |
| Harris Joseph      | Walker Wm P          |
| Hawkins Howell     | Whitaker M G         |
| Harvey Holden C    | Williams Eliz Mrs    |

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## A List of Letters,

Remaining in the Post-Office at Tarborough, N. C. the 1st day of October, 1827, which if not called for and taken out by the 1st day of January next, will be sent to the General Post-Office as dead letters.

|                     |                    |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Bullock Edwin       | Harrell Sally      |
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| Carr William        | Little Jane Miss   |
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| Clark Seth D        | Lloyd Eliz'h Mrs   |
| Cobb Edward         | Morgan Henry       |
| Drake Marg't Mrs    | Manning Reuben     |
| Dancy Mary Mrs D3   | Price Elijah Esq 7 |
| Fillpot Charles     | Pender Solomon     |
| Foxhall Robert      | Pender Drury       |
| Edmunds M A Mrs     | Pender James 2     |
| Edmunds S J Miss    | Perkins Josiah     |
| Edmunds C M Miss    | Robbins Frederick  |
| Evans Geo W         | Sasnut Joshua      |
| Evans Jno R         | Ward Doctor        |
| Grimes Lewellen     | Webb William 2     |
| Griffin John        | Worseley William   |
| Gatlin Charl'e Mrs  | Weatherly Jas Rev  |
| Hawkins Thos W      | Williamson Henry   |
| Hughan John         | Williams Richey    |
| Hardy James         | Wall William A     |
| Harrell Elisha      | Williams David 2   |
| Hooks Curtis Rev    | Young Bridges      |
| Hammond Edw G       |                    |

J. R. LLOYD, P. M.

Printing neatly executed.

At this Office.

## Cotton Yarn.

THE Proprietor of the Factory now in operation at the Falls of Tar River, respectfully informs his friends and the public, that he has now on hand a large quantity of

### COTTON YARN,

Of all the numbers from 4 to 20, but principally of the coarser numbers; which he is disposed to sell low for Cash, or in exchange for good Cotton. His machinery is in part new, and all in thorough repair, and superintended by an experienced and skillful manager; and he thinks his Yarn may be recommended as equal to any in the United States.

JOEL BATTLE.

Falls of Tar River, } 3-12  
Aug. 30, 1827. }

## Land for Sale.

THE Subscriber has a piece or tract of PINEY WOODS LAND for sale, containing

### Eight hundred Acres,

More or less—lying in the county of Edgecombe, eleven miles east of Tarborough, and ten miles south of Hill's Ferry. The Land is beautifully situated, with a good dwelling-house and other out-houses; there is open land enough to make three or four hundred barrels of corn, with an excellent apple Orchard good for thirty barrels of brandy, and an excellent range for hogs, cattle, and sheep. The Land can be bought low and on a credit. Any person wishing to purchase may do well, by making application to the Subscriber, and the price and credit will be made known.

FRANCIS HATTON.

September 25th, 1827. 7

## Grand Consolidated LOTTERY,

For Internal Improvement, Literature and Charities, in the City of Washington; and in the States of North-Carolina, and Louisiana.

### First Class,

To be drawn in Washington City, on Wednesday, the 31st October, 1827.

### SCHEME.

|                |          |    |          |
|----------------|----------|----|----------|
| 1 prize of     | \$20,000 | is | \$20,000 |
| 1 prize of     | 5,000    | is | 5,000    |
| 1 prize of     | 2,500    | is | 2,500    |
| 1 prize of     | 2,000    | is | 2,000    |
| 1 prize of     | 1,500    | is | 1,500    |
| 1 prize of     | 1,080    | is | 1,080    |
| 5 prizes of    | 1,000    | is | 5,000    |
| 5 prizes of    | 600      | is | 3,000    |
| 5 prizes of    | 500      | is | 2,500    |
| 5 prizes of    | 400      | is | 2,000    |
| 10 prizes of   | 200      | is | 2,000    |
| 20 prizes of   | 100      | is | 2,000    |
| 46 prizes of   | 70       | is | 3,220    |
| 46 prizes of   | 60       | is | 2,760    |
| 46 prizes of   | 50       | is | 2,300    |
| 46 prizes of   | 40       | is | 1,840    |
| 92 prizes of   | 30       | is | 2,760    |
| 92 prizes of   | 20       | is | 1,840    |
| 920 prizes of  | 12       | is | 11,040   |
| 8280 prizes of | 6        | is | 49,680   |

9624 Prizes, [15,180 Bl'ks] \$124,020

### PRICE OF TICKETS.

Packages of 18 Tickets embracing the 54 numbers, which must draw at least \$48, (\$40 80 nett.) Shares in proportion, with so many chances for Capitals, may be had at the following rates:

Whole Packages, : : : \$108

Half do : : : 54

Quarter do : : : 27

Whole Tickets, : : : 6

Half do : : : 3

Quarter do : : : 1½

Orders from any part of the Country, enclosing the Cash or Prize Tickets, (post paid) will be very promptly attended to, if addressed to

YATES & M'INTYRE,

7-4 Raleigh or Fayetteville.