

chased by Mr. John Williams, merchant, at 9 cents per pound. The planters in this vicinity have generally commenced picking Cotton, and from what we can learn, an average crop may be anticipated—several neighborhoods suffered severely from the late drought. Corn is raised in great abundance, and it is supposed, will not sell for more than 75 cents or \$1 per barrel.

FOR THE FREE PRESS.

Mr. Howard—Sir: it appears that a correspondent from Scotland Neck is much surprised at the vote of Capt. White's company on the Presidential question, recently taken on Beech Swamp at a barbecue. He states that White's company consists of only 46 men, officers included, and how 79 for Jackson and 3 for Adams can be made out of 46, he requests Editors and others to solve—he acknowledges that he was not present at the barbecue, yet calls upon you to correct the libel on his neighbors; and by way of contempt, holds out an idea that the Jackson party in that assembly were not able to purchase a ham of bacon worth fifty cents. If this wealthy correspondent of Scotland Neck, instead of commenting on the poverty of his neighbors would examine after truth, he would find that a number of the inhabitants attended that barbecue whose names were not attached to Capt. White's muster roll, some with gray heads who were free by age, others from adjoining districts, and most of them respectable citizens, freemen, and if poor, they have a constitutional right to vote on that question—and, as no gentleman will expose a man merely because he is poor, if he be honest, I would admonish this correspondent of Scotland Neck to desist from such a low practice; and further, that he first prove to Editors that they have given publicity to a libel before he calls upon them to correct one—for, according to the old proverb, he who knows but little about a matter, had best say but little about it.

New-York, Sept. 4.—There has been very little activity in our Cotton market since the date of our last: our latest advices from Liverpool are to the 24th July, and afford but little encouragement for an improvement in prices. The sales of past week amount to about 2000 bales of all descriptions: Uplands 9½ a 12 cts. Alabamas 11 a 11½, and New-Orleans and Tennessee at 10½ a 11½ cts. per lb.

The rice fields on the Cape Fear river never afforded expectations of such abundant harvest, as at the present time. The fields of corn, throughout New Hanover and the adjacent counties, are, we understand, equally promising.

Wilmington Recorder.

The drought is beginning to be seriously felt in this region: Corn is mostly made, and cannot, of course, be much injured; but Cotton is suffering—the crop will fall short of calculations, and the staple will be somewhat inferior to what was expected a few weeks since.—*Salisbury Car.*

Crops in Alabama.—It is with regret we learn, that great havoc has been commenced on the Cotton fields in this, and some of the adjoining counties; and that the flattering prospects presented to our planters but a few weeks ago, of realizing almost unparalleled crops, is now alas! vanished. We are told that, generally, not more than half an ordinary crop is expected, and in some instances there will not be a yield of more than 200 weight to the acre, where it was anticipated 10 or 1200 would be produced. The insect resembles a caterpillar, which enters the bole shortly after it is formed, and causes it to die and drop off the stalk. Last year was unpropitious, and it is peculiarly unfortunate that another should immediately follow it; when the planter is embarrassed and enveloped in debt, from which he expected to be relieved by the proceeds of his toil and labor.

Selma Courier.

At the late Superior Court held for Tyrrell county, his Honor Judge Strange presiding, March, a negro found guilty of the murder of Joseph J. Lindsey, of Currituck county, was sentenced to be hung on Friday the 26th inst.

Freeman's Echo.

Raleigh, Sept. 9.—Died, in this city, on Thursday evening last, at the residence of his father-in-law, Sherwood Haywood, Esq. in the prime of life, Maj. *John Gray Blount*, of Tarborough, in this State. During the late war, Major B. was an active officer of the 10th Regiment of Infantry, and having faithfully served to its termination, retired to his farm and devoted himself to agricultural pursuits. He came to this city a few weeks ago, and has been gradually sinking ever since his arrival. He has left a wife and a numerous circle of friends to deplore their loss.

Sept. 12.—We are pleased to see that the citizens of Newbern friendly to the project of a Railroad from the sea coast to the mountains, have held a meeting and passed several spirited resolutions on this subject.

It is a fortunate circumstance, that though the "times are hard," provisions are cheap. As an evidence of it, old Corn was offered for sale, in this city, last week, at one dollar per barrel, deliverable however, seven or eight miles from town.—*Register.*

Suicide.—We are sorry to state, that Don Pablo Obregon, Minister from Mexico, yesterday committed suicide by suspending himself from the lamp iron in the passage of his dwelling house in this city, during a fit of derangement. He was a gentleman of mild and courteous demeanor. His unfortunate end has excited much regret, as he was universally esteemed.—*National Journal.*

Effects of the Tariff.—The editor of the Augusta (Georgia) Chronicle asserts, that "not one half of the merchants of Augusta that usually visit the north at this season to purchase goods, have gone on there this summer; and

we are told that many, and probably most of those who have gone, are undetermined as to what quantity they will obtain, till they are further informed of the feelings and opinions of the people with regard to the 'Tariff.'"

Cotton Spinning.—We are sorry to say that the business of cotton spinning and cotton weaving, is very dull in this vicinity at the present moment. This dullness of business following so quickly the administering of the panacea of the "American System," ought to awaken reflection in the breasts of the manufacturers. If evils so deep seated and of so long continuance as those which afflict the American people, could be removed by so simple means as increasing the duties on imports, the business of governing a country would be an easy task indeed.—*Philadelphia G.*

Foreign.—Liverpool papers to the 2d ult have been received at New-York. The demand for Cotton continued steady, without any fluctuation in prices. The British Parliament was prorogued on the 23th July. The British papers generally appear to be in favor of retaliatory measures against our Tariff. The Liverpool Mercury says, "we expect to show next week, that Cotton, equal to any that America yields, can be had cheaper than now imported, and nearer home into the bargain. In progress of time New South Wales will be able to export tobacco equal to that which is grown in Virginia," &c.

The Russian forces are advancing slowly towards Constantinople. Letters from Bucharest state, that at a council of war held at Karassu, it was resolved to employ all means to penetrate to the capital of the Turkish empire, as soon as possible, in consequence of the serious preparations making by the Turks. The imperial guards received orders to proceed by forced marches, to join the army of Prince Wittgeastein.

It is stated that an expedition with 12,000 troops, was shortly to sail from France, to compel the Turks to evacuate the Morea. France is said to take this step at the request of the Emperor of Russia, and it is added that England is to co-operate with a naval force, so that these powers are represented as still acting in concert.

Dr. Charles Von Mayerly, in Germany, has lately invented a pair of boots, made of block tin and surrounded with a hollow body, with the assistance of which he can pass over the most rapid river. He has lately exhibited his contrivance at Pest, at which place he walked for upwards of 500 fathoms in the river Danube, where it is very rapid and deep, in presence of a great many persons.

Preaching.—Mr. CONGLETON will preach at Tarborough, on Thursday, 18th inst.; Friday, 19th, at Old Town Creek; Saturday, 20th, at Tossnot; Sunday, 21st, at Poplar Spring; Monday, 22d, at Epoda; Tuesday, 23d, at Bethel; Wednesday, 24th, at Willow Spring; Thursday, 25th, at Piney Grove. Elder P. W. DOWD will preach at Upper Town Creek, on Friday, the 3d of October—Saturday the 4th, and Sunday the 5th, in Tarboro'.—*Com.*

CAMP-MEETING will be held on the Camp ground at Mr. Nat. Pierce's, in Halifax county, four miles from the town of Halifax, to commence on Thursday, 25th Sept. next.—*Com.*

DIED,

In this county, on Monday, 8th inst. Mr. *David Philips*, about 50 years of age. Mr. Philips was at work in a field apparently in good health—he suddenly fell, and expired in a few minutes without speaking a word, or exhibiting any symptoms of pain or disease.

Price Current.

SEPT. 12.	per	Peters'g.	N. York.
Bacon, - - -	lb	6 8	9 10
Brandy, - - -	gal.	34 35	
Corn, - - -	bu'h	35 40	44
Cotton, - - -	lb	9 10	10 12
Coffee, - - -	-	15 17	13 16
Flour, family, -	bb'l	600	475 550
Iron, - - -	ton	\$110 120	\$90 90
Molasses, - - -	gal	40 45	32 46
Rum, New-Eng.	-	42 45	38 45
Sugar, brown, -	lb	8 12½	8 10
leaf, - - -	-	18 25	17 11
Tea, Young Hyson,	-	100 125	90 99
Imperial, - - -	-	125 150	120 148
Wheat, - - -	bu'l	85 90	90 94
Whiskey, - - -	gal.	30 35	27 34

North-Carolina Bank Notes.

At Petersburg, 5½ to 6½ per cent. discount.
At New-York, 8 to 10 do.

Negroes for Sale.

ON the third Monday in OCTOBER next, at the Court-house in Halifax town, I shall offer for sale,

5 or 6 likely young Negroes,
FOR CASH ONLY,

Belonging to the estate of D Pittman, deceased, to pay the debts of his testator—by order of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, August term, 1828.

JAS. J. PITTMAN,
Ex'r of D. Pittman, dec'd.

Aug. 30, 1828. 3-7

Stop the Thief.

RAN AWAY from Capp's Gold Mine, Mecklenburg county, N. C. on Saturday, the 18th day of August, a negro man named

DENNIS,

About 20 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, dark complexion, with a scar on one of his cheeks as well as recollected, his left. He took with him a large grey mare, 16 or 17 hands high, with a long switch tail. He has been traced from Charlotte to Torrence's Roads, on the Statesville road, thence through Salisbury to Greensborough, passing himself by different names and on different business. It is expected he will make for the neighborhood in which he was raised, which is not exactly known, but supposed to be near Tarborough.

Any person securing him in jail, and taking care of the beast so we may get them again, shall be reasonably rewarded, by giving notice to the Subscribers, and all reasonable expences paid.

NATHANIEL HOBBS,
JOHN MAYHEW.

Mount Mourne, Iredell Co. N.C. } 5-3
September 1, 1828.

State of North-Carolina,

EDGECOMBE COUNTY,

JUSTICES COURT.

Jonathan T. Eason, } Original Attach-
vs. } ment, returned
John Ruff, } levied in the
hands of William D. Petway, as garnishee.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Justice of the Peace, that the defendant, JOHN RUFF, is not an inhabitant of the county of Edgecombe: It is therefore ordered, That publication be made in the Tarborough Free Press for thirty days, that the defendant, John Ruff, appear within that time, answer, plead, &c. or judgment will be entered up against him as confessed, and execution issue accordingly.

ROBT. JOYNER, J. P.

12th Sept. 1828. 5 Price adv \$2:25