

MISCELLANEOUS.



FOR THE FREE PRESS.

Timothy Tootle's first epistle to his old friend Bobby Crookshanks, Esq. giving him quite a graphic description of a little town somewhere in "the land of hog and hominy," of which he has the honor of being a cit.

FRIEND BOBBY:—

To write to you I now sit down,  
To let ye know I lives in town;  
To let ye know that I'm a poet,  
I'll write in rhyme just for to show it.

Here stands upon a river's side,  
A town of note, yet very small;  
The river's neither deep nor wide,  
The town's a town—but this *aint* all.

Its cits are all of Adam's race,  
With virtues many, foibles few;  
Yet nature's driven from the place,  
And art and pride reigns in her lieu.

The town, like other towns I judge,  
Has streets all running crosswise through it;  
But if you think this "all a fudge,"  
It behoves you then to come and view it.

It has a Court House and a jail,  
It has a shameful flogging post too;  
The jail's to jail you if you steal,  
The shameful flogging post to flog you.

The Court House, Sir, was merely made  
For Judge and Jury and Squires to sit in;  
And eke for those of legal trade,  
To pose and plead and eke to spit in.

The main street, Bob, abounds with stores,  
Hotels, likewise *tipling* shops;  
Where white and black resort by scores,  
To drown their sorrows, wet their *chops*.

Few tailors on their roasted *goose*,  
Subsist within its dreary walls;  
And some here live who "play the deuce,"  
With wax and leather, thread and awls.

No barber's shop the streets adorn,  
With pole to tell the stranger where  
He for six pence may get *shorn*,  
Of beard, of whiskers, or of hair.

There is a bank within its bounds,  
Establish'd by S—k j—rs Squire;  
It's one among those banks, "by zounds,"  
That's proved themselves *purse robbers dire*.

Upon its charming suburbs, oh!  
A structure stands from bustle free;  
Where little misses daily go,  
To learn the use of *a, b, c*.

Lawyers, doctors, statesmen, too,  
In vast profusion herein dwell;  
Sages, saints, and beaux a few,  
And here and there a *witching belle*.

It has a "Press," cognomen'd "Free,"  
From whence a paper issues out  
Just once a week, to let us see  
What the "noisy world's" about.

This town, like other towns, I ween,  
Has things both good and bad within;  
Things both comely and obscene,  
Some who pray and some who sin.

So now I'll close my *mad-ri-gall*,  
And sing no more about the town;  
My harp I'll hang up in my hall,  
And henceforth wear the *laureate's crown*.

Now, Bobby Crookshanks, see, my friend,  
What it is to live in town;  
I've *larnt* so much that there's no end  
To my *larning* and renown.

TIMOTHY TOOTLE.

October 14, 1832.

**Impostor.**—A man calling himself SAMUEL THOMPSON, and professing to be a Baptist Minister, recently passed thro' this place and has succeeded, I understand, in imposing on some of the churches. He is an elderly man, of middling stature, very obtrusive and overbearing in his manners, and having a strong affection for brandy. He represents himself as violently opposed to all the benevolent institutions of the present age, and especially to *Temperance Societies*. He declaims vehemently against what he calls "preaching for money," although he is not averse to receiving a little himself when it can be obtained, and in some instances, I am told, he proposes a public collection in his own behalf. As testimonials, he shows several documents, among which is one purporting to be a certificate from the Baptist Church, at Charleston, S. C. which a recent communication from the Pastor of that Church, authorizes me to pronounce a total forgery. This fact, taken in connexion with his general manners, and his habit of asking for ardent spirits wher-

ever he goes, presents satisfactory evidence that he is an *impostor*—and as such, I consider it my duty to announce him to the public; and to caution the churches and the denomination against his impositions. JOS. MANNING.

Edenton, Oct. 10.

P. S. The said Thompson reports himself as belonging to the Black Creek, (or Black River) Church, Montgomery county, Virginia.

The Comet, it is said, may be seen every fair evening between 9 and 10 o'clock, in nearly a north-eastern direction. Its distance from the earth is now about sixty millions of miles.

**Melancholy.**—The Baltimore Republican says: A mad bull was shot in this city yesterday afternoon; but not until he had killed two boys. The one was a white boy, apparently eight or nine years of age, whom he caught upon his horns, which becoming entangled in his clothes, were not extricated without several efforts, and was finally effected, by throwing him entirely over him, by which the child's brains were dashed out, and he died in a short time after—the other was a colored boy, whose breast was caught upon the bull's horn, and was instantly killed. He was finally arrested in his course by a master of a vessel lying at the wharf, who levelled him to the earth with his fowling piece.

**Premature Interment.**—The editor of the London Globe, in presenting the following account to his readers, remarks that it comes from a source beyond all suspicion. How many such cases may not have happened during the progress of the Cholera in America and Europe!

"A distressing instance of premature interment occurred last week in the neighborhood of Old-street, St. Luke's. A poor woman and her son were violently attacked with Cholera, which in the case of the latter very soon terminated as it was supposed fatally; and after having laid apparently lifeless for a few hours, the body was buried. The poor woman also shortly after got worse, and became insensible and motionless. Having been kept as long as was considered safe, she was put into a coffin to be buried; but just as the undertakers were about to screw it down, she revived, pushed off the lid, and very soon recovered. Having anxiously inquired about her son, she was informed that he had been buried for several hours, which made her very uneasy, and she insisted on his being exhumed. Her desires were after a short delay, complied with, and the horror of the spectators can scarcely be imagined, when on opening the coffin it was found the child had turned round, and torn its face almost to pieces with agony, having, it must of course be supposed, come to life in this dreadful situation!"

**Value of the right of Suffrage in England.**—The Liverpool Mercury published some remarkable facts, taken from a record which has been made out, of the sums paid to voters by the two parties at the last Liverpool election. It appears that of the 2186 freemen who voted for Mr. Ewart, 1303 town voters received £19,602, making an average of £15 0s. 10d. (about \$70) per man. Of the 2149 who voted for Mr. Dennison, 1336 received £22,368, making an average of £16 14s. 14d. per man. We understand that on neither side are all the out-voters included in these statements, so that the number bribed must have been considerably greater than that stated above.

**Bastardy in France.**—We state, on the authority of a French ministerial paper, that "there are a million of children born every year in France, of whom more than 100,000 are deserted by their parents. And yet the depravity of the metropolis affords a still more hideous proportion; of the 28,587 children born in Paris in the year 1831, there were no less than 10,000 born out of wedlock; and of these last, 7749 (above one-fourth of the whole number of helpless infants) were abandoned by their wicked and unnatural parents to the horrors of destitution, or the compassion of the passer-by.

HENRY JOHNSTON,

MERCHANT TAILOR,

TAKES this method of informing his friends and customers, that he has just received from New York a part of his

FALL SUPPLY

Of the finest and most fashionable Goods, In his line of business, suitable for the season—

—SUCH AS—

Superfine cloths and cassimeres, the most fashionable colors, Brown Petersham, for over coats, a very sup'r article, Goats hair, and Ladies camlets, for cloaks, Plain and figured velvet vestings, Plain and fancy silks, beautiful article, Dark and light Valenciens, Plain white and figured Quiltings, Best quality buckskin gloves, black and fancy stocks, Linen collars and bosoms, best pungee silk Handk'fs, Black and white cravats, suspenders, &c.

All of those goods will be sold very low for cash, or on a short credit to punctual customers. Gentlemen wanting such articles are particularly invited to call and examine for themselves, as he is confident he can please all such. Persons furnishing their own cloths, can have them made and trimmed at the shortest notice and in the most fashionable manner. All orders from a distance will be punctually attended to.

Tarboro', Oct. 1, 1832.

Greenwood Races.

THE Races over the Greenwood Course, Scotland Neck, Halifax county, North Carolina, will commence on Wednesday, the 7th day of November next, and continue three days—four days should a colt race be closed.

First Day—The Proprietor's Purse, One Hundred Dollars, money up—mile heats—entrance Ten Dollars.

Second Day—The Jockey Club Purse, One Hundred and Fifty Dollars—two mile heats—entrance Fifteen Dollars.

Third Day—The remainder of the Jockey Club Purse, Two hundred and Fifty Dollars—three mile heats—entrance Fifteen Dollars.

Fourth Day—A colt race, Fifty Dollars entrance—three or more to make a race, to close on the evening of the first day.

All entries to be made with the Proprietor on the evening previous to each day's race.

Accommodations to be had of the Proprietor residing within a half mile of the track, who will not spare any pains to give satisfaction.

Good Stable and Litter furnished race horses gratis.

WILLIAM NICKELS, Proprietor.  
Sept. 24, 1832. 7-4

LOOK HERE.

THE Subscriber is under the disagreeable necessity of requesting those who owe him, to owe him if possible no longer than May Court. This he requests not from choice, but necessity compels him to require either cash or note for the debts due him in this vicinity by that time.

C. WINDHOM.

May 20th, 1832. 39

Millinery, &c.

THE Subscriber informs her friends and the public, that she has just received her Spring Supply of articles in her line of business, viz:

Pattern Silk and Satin-straw bonnets, Leghorn, Dunstable, and Navarino do. An assortment of wreaths and flowers, Head dresses, ornaments, &c. Watered and plain silks, Elegant hair puffs and curls, Gauze and crape shawls and handk'fs, A great variety of ribbons, &c. &c

The Subscriber still carries on the Millinery & Mantua-making business, in all its variety.

A. C. HOWARD.

May 5, 1832.

Gins and Fanning Mills.

THE Subscriber respectfully informs the public, that he continues to manufacture at his shop in Tarborough, near the bridge,

Gins and Fanning Mills,

Of the latest and most approved construction. He will make his work, as heretofore, in the best manner and as expeditiously as possible. Persons will please apply to Mr. BENJ. M. JACKSON, in my absence.

JOHN WILSON.

Tarboro', Nov. 28, 1831. 15

\$20 REWARD.

RANAWAY from the Subscriber, on Monday night last, my boy CRAWFORD, about 18 years of age, 5 feet 3 or 4 inches high, swarthy complexion nearly white, broad face and down look, no beard, straight hair not very black, very full breast—took with him a suit of new white cotton clothes, and black fur hat. This boy can read and will probably attempt to pass as a free man. A reward of Ten Dollars will be given, if taken with in this county, to any person who will deliver said boy to the Subscriber, residing eight and a half miles from Tarborough, on the Raleigh road, near Cokey bridge; or, if taken out of the county, Twenty Dollars will be given for his delivery to me, or if secured in any jail so that I get him again. All persons are hereby harboring, employing, or carrying off said boy, under penalty of the law.

SAMUEL P. JENKINS.

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E. P. NASH & CO.

Booksellers, Stationers,

And Blank Book Manufacturers,

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

May 1, 1832.

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MILES NASH & CO.

Commission Merchants,

NORFOLK, VIRGINIA.

RESPECTFULLY offer their services to their friends and the public generally, and hope by strict attention to business to merit a share of patronage. May 1, 1832.

I have Received

A Consignment of 94 Crates of Earthenware,

By the late arrivals of ship Madison, Capt. Wood, and Anacreon, Capt. Lenox, from Liverpool, viz:

- 20 Crates assorted white ware,
- 20 " " colored "
- 15 " " blue and green edge plates,
- 10 " " white chambers,
- 3 " " painted ditto,
- 2 " " printed ewers and basons,
- 1 " " white ewers,
- 9 " " white hand basons,
- 3 " " colored bowls,
- 5 " " pitchers,
- 2 " " painted tea cups and saucers,
- 1 " " soup tureens, assorted.

The above are entitled to debenture, and will be sold as low as any Importer can sell them in the U. States.

Also, in Store,

Dinner sets complete, light blue, black, brown, green and pink, First quality China tea sets, white & gold, Second do. do. in great variety. And an assortment of Glassware.

W. K. MACKINDER.

Norfolk, Va. 26th June, 1832.

NEW BINDERY.

WITH a view to the more efficient prosecution of their business, the Subscribers have

Established a Bookbindery.

Having procured the best materials from the North, and employed a Workman who comes well recommended, they are prepared to execute on moderate terms, all orders in this line.

Account Books, Records, &c. ruled and made to order: and every kind of Binding promptly executed in the best and neatest manner, on reasonable terms.

J. GALES & SON.

Being Publishers of the Reports of the Supreme Court, such of the Subscribers to that Work as chuse to send their Nos. to him to bind, will have them carefully attended to, and the Indexes and all deficient numbers supplied. Raleigh, August 2, 1832.

PROPOSALS,

For publishing WEEKLY in the City of Raleigh an Agricultural Newspaper, under the name and style of the

Farmer's and Planter's Half Sheet.

Our motto is, "Agriculture is the great art which every proprietor of land ought to practise; every statesman to patronise, and every individual of the human family to consider as the chief employment of his species."

Dr. Johnson.

THIS Agricultural paper, will be modelled after one conducted in France with eminent success, by the Count Lasteurie, (Lafayette's son-in-law) and another in England by an association of gentlemen, styled "The Farmer's Weekly Visitor." They are both Half Sheets. The object of so curtailing the dimensions, is to prevent that ennui and fatigue, always produced by too great a bulk of intellectual matter. We will not say a word in regard to the great necessity of improving our agriculture, that is admitted; but it is of great importance, that improvements now confined to particular neighborhoods, should be more generally known, and we propose, as it were through a speaking trumpet, to proclaim them through all the land. In addition we hope to publish a paper into the columns of which, the agricultural citizen, heated and vexed in the dust and whirlwind of the great high road of "general politics," may turn as to a parterre, gay with flowers and adorned with refreshing fountains. Not one word of politics shall enter the columns of our EXCLUSIVELY AGRICULTURAL Journal.

There are a few other papers of an Agricultural type, published in the United States, but they are too local in their nature and do not sufficiently discuss those "matters and things," which appertain to our farming and planting interests. The Editor himself, has been a practical cultivator of all the staples of the South, and he has the promised co-operation of many of the most wealthy and extensive Planters and Farmers of the South. From them he will receive communications of great value, detailing the "modus operandi" of their management.

The "Half Sheet" will be issued as soon as a specified number of subscribers are obtained. Postmasters and others to whom subscription lists are, and will be sent, will be allowed the usual commissions upon collections.

The terms of the "Half Sheet" will be ONE DOLLAR ALWAYS in advance.

The Editor at present resides in an adjacent State, but will be in Raleigh about the first of January proximo. OLIVER RICHARDS. Sept. 1832.