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ADVERTISEMENTS.

HENDERSON'S STAR ALMANACK, FOR 1810,

Will be published at this Office in the course of the present month. It will contain, besides the Astronomical calculations, &c. a great variety of useful and entertaining matter, which has been selected with much care. Merchants and others will be supplied with any quantity on the usual terms.

September 7.

The Copartnership

OF REUBEN SANDERS & JAMES THOMPSON being dissolved by mutual consent. Therefore all Persons indebted to said firm are desired to make immediate payment, and all persons to whom the firm stands indebted are requested to present their claims for payment.

SANDERS & THOMPSON.

Raleigh, Sept. 4, 1809.

45-3wp.

A Camp Meeting

Will commence at NIMON, 4 miles from Nash County-House, and 25 from Tarborough, on Friday the 22nd of September, and continue until Tuesday the 26th. At which time and place all persons are strictly forbidden bringing spirituous liquors, or any thing of that kind, to sell or give away during the meeting.

A PHILANTHROPIST.

WILLIAMSBOROUGH FALL RACES

WILL COMMENCE ON THE 12TH OF OCT. NEXT.

FIRST Day, the Proprietor's purse, 75 dollars, one mile heats, best three in five; free for any Horse, Mare or gelding.—Entrance, eight dollars.

Second day, Jockey Club purse, 100 dollars, two mile heats; free for any Horse, Mare or Gelding, except the winner the preceding day.—Entrance 10 dollars.

On each day the Proprietor puts up an elegant Saddle, to be run for by untried Horses, owned by citizens of the county or members of the Jockey Club; Entrance 2 dollars, mile heats.

Entrance to be made with Stephen Sneed the day preceding each day's race. Weights as established by the Rules of the Jockey Club.

A subscription for a Produce Sweepstake is open, and to be closed the first of February.—Entrance 100 dollars.—Those disposed can subscribe with Stephen Sneed, personally or by letter.

By order of the

JOCKEY CLUB.

September 3d, 1809.

45-3w.

Education.

ON Monday the 16th of October next I shall open a SCHOOL at my place near Williamsborough, Granville county, in which will be taught the English, Latin and Greek Languages, together with such of the Sciences as are commonly studied in American Schools.

Those engaged as an Assistant Teacher Mr. Benjamin Rice, of Virginia, a young gentleman of unquestionable morality and liberal education.

Those who may send their children or wards to this School may rely on the greatest exertion of the Teachers to amend the heart as well as enlighten the understanding.

JAMES K. BURCH.

August 28, 1809.

45-3p

Marshal's Sale.

BY virtue of an Execution issuing from the Circuit Court of the United States for the North-Carolina district, will be exposed to sale at Public Auction for Cash, at the dwelling-house of Lemuel Smith, in Chatham county, on the 1st day of November next, Eight likely Negroes and the tract of land whereon Angus McNeil, deceased, lived, supposed to contain 280 acres, lying in said county on Tick creek, adjoining the lands of said Smith and Henry Bray, jun. The above property will be sold to satisfy the aforesaid execution in favour of Watson and Ebenezer Stott vs. Angus McNeil.

BEVERLY DANIEL,

Marshal for the N. Carolina District

August 18, 1809.

Notice.

THOSE indebted to the estate of the late P. Conway, dec. will please call on Mark Cooke, Esquire, and settle their respective accounts, &c. he being fully authorized to receive all monies now due the estate and give discharges.

Those indebted are further notified that Mr. Cooke is instructed to place all such notes and accounts in the hands of the proper officers for collection, if not paid in a very short time.

JAMES HENDERSON, Adm'r.

Raleigh, August 26, 1809.

Five Cents Reward

Will be given to any person who will apprehend and deliver to the subscriber an indebted apprentice boy by the name of Arthur Reiser, who has lately left my service, and who I suppose is lurking about the place. I hereby forwarn all persons from harbouring or employing the said Arthur in any manner whatsoever, and I am determined to put the law in force against any such offenders.

CH. CHRISTOPHERS.

Raleigh, August 30, 1809.

44-3t

An Overseer wanted.

ON APPLICATION to the Editors hereof, a Person who can come well recommended as an OVERSEER to take charge of about Ten Hands in Wake county will find a place. The application must be made before the 10th of September.

August 10, 1809.

For Public Sale,

UPON a credit of nine and eighteen months, in the town of Warrenton, on the second day of October next, the Houses and Lots occupied by Mr. Jacob Mordecai, and possession given the 25th day of December next.

The Dwelling House is finished in a handsome style, and well calculated for the comfortable accommodation of a family. The out-houses are convenient, the garden fertile and well enclosed.

On a Lot adjoining these premises is a well-constructed Store-House, with Counting and Lodging Rooms, and a commodious Cellar, walled up with stone. These buildings are in good repair, and the situation is eligible for a public or private pursuit.

Also several unimproved Town Lots, well situated and convenient to good springs.

To the purchaser a discount of 10 per cent. will be made for a cash prompt-payment.

Warrenton is an improving situation, high and healthy, the society genteel and pleasant.

OLIVER FITTS,

ROBERT H. JONES, Attorneys in fact

for the Trustees of Jacob Mordecai.

Warrenton, 7th of August, 1809.

41-6 w.

Positively to commence Drawing

On Monday the 9th of October next.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT.

TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS

May be gained for the small sum of Three Dollars!!

IN THE THIRD CLASS

OF THE

RIVER LEHIGH LOTTERY.

The capital prizes are, viz.

2 of \$10,000 3 of \$1000
3 of 5,000 6 of 500
3 of 2,500 15 of 200, &c.

Less than two and an half blanks to a prize, the lowest of which is 5 dollars.

To draw 500 numbers each day, at the state-house in Philadelphia, where the prizes will be paid by Thomas Allibone, Esq. the Treasurer, 30 days after the conclusion of the drawing; subject to a deduction of 15 per cent.

This is one of the richest Lotteries published here for many years, and the moderate price of the tickets places the grand prizes within the reach of every individual who chooses to become an adventurer, which he may do for so small a sum as Seventy-Free cents. The object, moreover, is such as must interest every well-wisher to the internal improvement of the state.

Letters post paid, and enclosing the cash, will be duly attended to, and prizes in lotteries of this city and of New York, as well as bank notes of the different states, received in payment.

Whole tickets, \$3

Half do. 1 50

Quarter do. 75 cents.

The price of the tickets will advance to \$3.50 on the 25th of September.

GEO. TAYLOR, Junr.,

No. 85, south Second street.

MATTHEW MCCONNELL,

No. 82, Chesnut Street

HOPE & CO.

State Lottery Office, 63, Chesnut-street

PK. BYRNE,

Corner of 5th and Chesnut-streets

JAMES HUMPHREYS,

Change-Walk, corner of Walnut & 2d streets

MICHAEL FORTUNE,

No. 39, Walnut Street.

N. B. The earliest information will be given to distant purchasers, of the sale of their tickets.

July 24, 1809.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Lincoln County.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions July Term A. D.

1809.

JOHN KEENIE

Original Attachment.

vs.

ANDREW CRISTLE

Levied on Lands.

IN this Case it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendant, Andrew Cristle, is an inhabitant of another State; It is therefore Ordered, That publication be made three weeks successively in the FREE PRESS, that unless the defendant appear and make his defence within the three first days of next Court, to be held for the County in Lincoln, at the Court House in Lincoln, on the third Monday of October next; final Judgment will be taken against him.

(Copy) Tests, DANIEL L. FORNEY, C. C.

PRINCIPAL OF AN ACADEMY AND

PASTOR WANTED.

THE Rev. WILLIAM L. TURNER, Principal of the Raleigh Academy, and Pastor of the City, having signified his intention of resigning his situation at the close of the present Session, the Trustees of the Academy and the Inhabitants of the City are desirous of procuring a suitable character to supply his place. To a Clergyman of finished education and unexceptionable moral character, a liberal salary will be given, or the whole profits of the Academy (after paying the Assistant Teachers) with a handsome subscription from the inhabitants of the City and neighbourhood, for his Clerical services.

This Academy has at present one hundred and fifty Students, about sixty of which are Females, principally in the care of a Female Teacher, under the superintendance of the Principal of the Academy (taught in separate Buildings erected for the purpose on a four-acre Square of the city, granted to the Trustees by the Legislature) and the number of Students heretofore has annually increased.

Raleigh being the Seat of Government of North-Carolina, a very healthy and pleasant situation, in the hilly country, containing a moral and respectable society, where every necessary of life can be had in plenty on reasonable terms, and where most of the principal inhabitants are guardians of the Academy, it is presumed that this Seminary will always have a preference to any other Academy in the Southern States.

A Lady of talents and acquirements equal to the undertaking, is also wanted to take charge of the Female Department of the Academy; and a Young Gentleman, suitably qualified, as an Assistant Teacher of the Latin and Greek Languages, &c.

Applications for any of these situations, made to the Trustees of the Raleigh Academy, by letter, post paid, will be duly attended to, and immediately answered, and such further information given as may be required.

N. JONES, Pres.

Aug. 30.

Wm. L. Turner

OFFERS for Sale his BR U.S. 511 LOT situated in a retired part of the Town, near the Academy, and convenient to the best Spring in the City. A small stock of House-hold and Kitchen Furniture, if desired, may be had with it. What is not sold at private sale will be publickly sold about the 14th of November.

45-3w

Raleigh, August 24.

Ten Dollars Reward.

STRAYED or Stolen from the Subscriber, on the night of the 17th inst. a likely young Buck Colt, 4 years old last Spring, about four feet eleven inches high, is a bright sorrel, both hind feet white, & is not branded.—I am not certain, but rather think he has some white in his forehead. I strongly suspect that the above described horse was stolen by some Runaway or Free Negro. The above reward will be given to any person who will return said horse to the Subscriber living in Orange County, on Elm river, 14 miles North East of Hillsborough.

August 18, 1809.

GEORGE CARRINGTON.

The Subscribers

HAVE qualified as Executors to the last Will and Testament of George W. Smart, Esq. at the Mecklenburg County Court Session of 1809. Those indebted to the estate of the deceased are requested to call upon John Kendrick, who is in possession of the papers, and make payment without delay: The situation of the estate will admit of no indulgence.

Such as have demands will make them known to John Kendrick, within the time prescribed by Act of Assembly for presenting claims against the estate of deceased persons, otherwise they will be barred payment.

WILLIAM FOLK, } Executors.

JOHN KENDRICK, }

Mecklenburg County, Aug. 4, 1809.

North-Carolina.

TREASURY OFFICE, 1st of August, 1809.

THE SHERIFFS and other Revenue Officers of the State aforesaid, by a punctual and faithful discharge of the duties required of them by Law, in regard to the collection and payment into the Treasury of the Taxes and other Public dues for the current year, will do themselves credit and foreclose the possibility of penalty or forfeiture.—Should any, unfortunately, fail in this very essential point, they will bear in mind that the Public Treasurer has no option with respect to the course to be pursued, his duty being imperative; and that therefore all such will be proceeded against according to Law, and in the Superior Court for the county of Wake, which will happen in October next.

JOHN HAYWOOD,

Public Treasurer.

50 Dollars Reward.

RUNAWAY from the Subscriber on the 24th day of July, 1809, a Negro Man, named DAVEY, 28 or 29 years of age, about five feet nine or ten inches high, of black complexion, slow spoken and rather a down look.—took with him some good home-spun clothes. He can write, and perhaps has procured a free pass.—I am apprehensive he has attempted to get to the State of Ohio, where he has once been. Any person that will deliver me the above described Negro or secure him in Jail so that I get him, shall have the above reward.

WILLIAM BRANTLY.

Deep River, Chatham county, }
N. C. 18th July, 1809. }

AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY.

[Extracted from Dr. Ramsay's History of South-Carolina, a new and excellent work, just published.]

HENRY LAURENS,

Was born in Charlestown in 1724. His ancestors were French Protestant refugees, who had left France soon after the revocation of the edict of Nantz. They first settled in New-York, but afterwards removed to Charlestown. His education was superintended at first by Mr. Howe, and afterwards by Mr. Corbett, the same who after instructing Peter Manigault, William Drayton, and some other excellent classical scholars in Carolina, returned to England and became high bailiff of Westminster. Being designed for a merchant H. Laurens was early in life put under the care of Thomas Smith, merchant of Charlestown, and afterwards of Mr. Crockett of London, who had returned to Europe after having acquired a considerable estate in Charlestown. Under these instructors Henry Laurens was regularly bred to merchandise, and acquired those habits of order, system and method in business for which he was through life remarkable.—On his return from London he entered into partnership with Mr. Austin an established merchant of Charlestown, and engaged in trade with spirit; but at the same time with caution and judgment. His scrupulous attention to punctuality not only in the discharge of pecuniary engagements, but in being where and doing what he had promised was almost romantic. He suffered nothing to interfere with his own engagements, and highly disrelished all breaches of punctuality on the part of others. He was an excellent model for a young man to form himself upon, and was largely trusted in that way by parents who wished their sons to be brought up strictly and in habits of doing business with accuracy. To have served in his counting house was no small recommendation. He worked hard himself and made all

around him do the same. He required less sleep than most men, and devoted a great part of the night to the ordinary mercantile pursuits of the day. For the dispatch of business he was never exceeded, perhaps never equalled, in Charlestown. He was a very early riser, and devoted the morning to his counting house, and frequently had the business of the day not only arranged but done when others were beginning to deliberate on the expediency of leaving their beds. His letters were generally written in the retired hours of the night and morning. In them his ideas were always expressed in strong and precise language, which forcibly conveyed his meaning without a possibility of being misunderstood. Whether friendship, business, or amusement was the subject, his epistolary style was excellent and well worthy of imitation.

He had an exact knowledge of human nature, and, in his own mercantile language, soon found out the par of exchange of every man with whom he transacted business. His eye was uncommonly penetrating, and the correct opinions he frequently formed of the real characters of men from their looks would, if known to Lavater, have confirmed that philosopher in his theory of physiognomy. Such diligence and such knowledge of men and of business could not fail of success. It is no small evidence of this, and at the same time characteristic of the period in which Mr. Laurens was engaged in trade between 1747 and 1770, that at the winding up of his partnership concerns, which had embraced transactions to the amount of many millions of pounds of the then currency, he offered to his partner to take all outstanding debts:—a cash at a discount of five per cent. on their gross amount.

His talents for conversation were great.—He could adapt himself to the young and the old, the gay and the grave, to the man of business and the votaries of pleasure. He reproved without offending, and gave advice without appearing to dictate.

Mr. Laurens' love of justice was extreme. He would never draw a bill of exchange till he had a written acknowledgment from the person on whom he drew that he was indebted to the amount drawn for. He cheerfully partook of diversions in their proper time and place; but had at all periods of his life so deep rooted an aversion to gaming, that he never played at cards or any other game but for amusement; unless on some very rare occasions, when in company with those to whom play was without zest except something was risked, he so far conformed to their humour as to play for money on a very moderate scale, and in case of loss he promptly paid, but uniformly refused to receive what he won, esteeming it wrong to take any man's money without giving an equivalent.

In two or three instances he yielded to the fashionable folly of accepting a challenge to decide a controversy by single combat. In every such case he received the fire of his adversary but would not return it. He once had a suit at law with the judge of the court of vice-admiralty, in which he resisted the claims of the royal government, which by some recent regulations were hostile to american rights. Mr. Laurens being cast tendered to the judge, sir Egerton Leigh, his legal fees to a considerable sum. The judge declined to receive them. Mr. Laurens conceiving that he had no right to retain what was legally due from him, gave the same precise amount to the South-Carolina society to be expended by them in charity. On another occasion a sum of money came into his hands in some official character which had not been claimed. Under an impression that the money thus unclaimed was not his, he transferred it to the South-Carolina society to be used by them as a fund of charity till the owner called for it.—No such call was then expected or has yet been brought forward, though the deposit was made forty years ago.

Mr. Laurens once persuaded a favorite slave to give a reluctant consent to receive the small-pox by inoculation, who in consequence thereof died. To comfort the deceased for the issue of an unfortunate experiment urged upon him, assurances were given to him in his dying moments that his children should be emancipated. This was accordingly done.

In the performance of his religious duties Mr. Laurens was strict and exemplary. The emergency was great which kept him from church either forenoon or afternoon, and very great indeed which kept him from his regular monthly communion. With the bible he was intimately acquainted. Its doctrine he firmly believed, its precepts and history he admitted, and was much in the habit of quoting and applying portions of it to present occurrences. He not only read the scriptures diligently to his family, but made all his children read them also. His family bible contained in his own hand-writing several of his remarks on passing providences. He used to observe that many