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## BAPTIST Association.

THE old Sandy Creek Baptist Association will be held at Moon's Chapel, in the edge of Chatham County, one mile and a half below Marley's Mills, commencing on Saturday the 27th of October 1838. There will be sundry Churches convened, and preachers in attendance from different parts of the Country. Brethren and friends from all societies are invited to attend.

Communicated,

A keen retort. .... "You had better ask for manners than money," said a fine dressed gentleman to a beggar boy who asked him for alms. "I asked for what I thought you had the most of," was the reply of the little mendicant.

The late frequent rains have had a fine effect upon the growing crops. We are sorry to add that the caterpillar has made its appearance in the corn fields on the coast.—Wil. Adv.

The grain market.—Our report of the markets, in another part of to-days American, records the extraordinary fluctuations which have attended the value of corn within the past week. We stated that on Monday, prices had risen to one dollar per bushel, but the decline since then has almost been rapid as the rise, for yesterday sales were made at 86 cents per bushel.—The recent rains, which have been the means of saving parts of crops

that in many cases had been given up for lost, have doubtless had their influence in reducing prices from their late elevation.—Baltimore American.

It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of THOMAS DEWS Jr. Esq., Attorney at law of this place, who departed this life on Saturday the 4th ult. aged about 30 years.

The circumstances attending the death of Mr. D. are truly distressing.—He was a candidate to represent this county in the next Legislature, and was returning from the lower part of the county, where he had gone to attend a public gathering a few days previous to his death. On arriving within six miles of this place, it was discovered that he was in a state of mental derangement. On the evening of his death, he started for home, as was supposed, but not reaching this that night, serious apprehensions were entertained by the citizens of our village, that some misfortune had befallen him, and immediately search was made for him that night in the neighborhood where he was last seen; his horse was found on the bank of Broad river near by, but no traces of its owner could be found. On next morning search was again made, and melancholy to relate, he was found in the bottom of the river, having apparently been drowned the evening previous.

In the death of this young man the community has been deprived of one, who, by his natural endowments, was fitted for any station in life, and who by the exercises of a highly gifted mental capacity, might have reflected lasting honor upon his native State; mild and courteous in his demeanor while at the Bar, he gained the esteem of all his legal associates. He has left an aged father and mother, a brother and several sisters to deplore a loss which to them is indeed irreparable.—Rutherfordton Gaz. of 6th Aug.

### THREE SLAVES TRIED FOR MURDER.

The Staunton, Va. Spectator, of Thursday last contains the particulars of the trial of the three slaves, Andrew, Lucinda and Caroline, for the murder of the two children of their master, Mr. Mayse, of Bath county, Va.

Some account of the murder has already been given to the public. On Friday, the 10th of August, two little daughters of Mr. Mayse, one aged something more than seven years, and the other probably from 12 to 18 months younger, who had been going to school for some time, about three quarters of a mile from their father's house, having failed to return home at the usual time, their mother became uneasy at their delay, and caused a search to be made for them, supposing they had strayed off for the purpose of gathering wild berries, and had lost their way. Her alarm was increased, by the fact that her husband was absent at the Hot Springs, and night was fast approaching.

For some time the search was unsuccessful, but at length the children were found lying dead, near the road by which their father must necessarily pass on his return home, with their throats cut from ear to ear. Suspicion soon attached to three negroes, viz: a man named Andrew, a woman named Lucinda, and a girl about 14 years old named Caroline, all of whom belonged to Mr. Mayse. A coroner's inquest was held over the bodies, and a great deal of testimony was examined, which so confirmed the previous suspicions, that the three negroes were arrested & committed to jail, and a warrant issued to convene a court for their trial on the 22d of August. Immediately after the arrest, Caroline, the girl, made a disclosure, criminating Lucinda, who was her mother, and the man named Andrew.

On the trial, which took place on the day above mentioned, two of the accused, Andrew and Lucinda, were separately arraigned, and the girl, Caroline, was brought forward as a witness. Her testimony was to the following purport—

On the evening of the murder, Lucinda, her mother, left the house of her father for the ostensible purpose of gathering blackberries. As she went from the house she told the witness that she must go down towards the schoolhouse, and meet the children, as they came from school, and bring them up to the gate over the hill, and that she would show them another blackberry patch. The witness accordingly took the child of Mr. Mayse which she was nursing, and went towards the schoolhouse, until she met the children on their return home.

She readily persuaded them to accompany her to the place designated, about 400 yards from the house of Mr. Mayse, on the road, and near a gate which led into one of the fields. The ground on one side of the road, at this point was a forest, and on the other was cleared, with the exception of bushes which had grown up in the field.

The situation was quite public for that remote section of the country, as the road was occasionally travelled. When the witness reached the point designated she found the prisoners Lucinda and Andrew waiting for them, the latter leaning on the fence, with his shirt sleeves rolled to his shoulders. Almost immediately upon their reaching the spot, Lucinda seized the eldest child, who finding her self so roughly managed begged Lucinda not to hurt her as she never done her any harm. Lucinda made no reply to this prayer for mercy, but catching hold of the head of her victim, she drew it violently back so as to leave the throat fully exposed, and standing behind her held her firmly in this position, until Andrew, with a single stroke with a shoe knife, cut her throat almost from ear to ear.

Lucinda then relinquished her hold, and the poor little innocent, with its eyes rolled upwards in agony, and with uplifted hands, staggered forward, describing in her course a half circle, with the blood spouting from every vein and artery, until she fell prostrate and expired without a groan. The other little victim, terrified beyond expression at the horrible scene which she had just witnessed, fled into the corner of the fence, and with out stretched arms imploring for mercy. But she might as well have appealed to hungry Tigers. Andrew rushed upon her, dragged her from her place of refuge, and handed her over to Lucinda, who held her in the same situation her sister met her horrible fate, and Andrew with the same instrument of death, to use the language of the witness, "sawed at her neck for some time," until the head was almost severed from the body, and she fell dead without a struggle.

The witness said that she then ran away to the house and did not know what the prisoners did or where they went for some time afterwards.

This dreadful narrative of the witness was sustained by all the circumstantial evidence in the case, and by the testimony of all the witnesses as to the collateral facts. Upon an examination of the position of the bodies of the children, and the wounds, and the appearance of the ground, it was found that every thing corresponded with the statement of the witness. The body of the oldest lay on her face, and the blood showed plainly that she must have fallen in that position as a large quantity had flowed from the wound and was found immediately under the neck.

The traces of blood were also distinctly visible, showing that she had staggered forward and described a semi circle in her progress, as stated by the witness. The wounds too correspond with her description, for whilst the gash in the throat of the eldest was smooth, and no more than two or three inches in length that of the youngest was uneven, and of much greater depth and of much greater width and extent.

Words cannot describe the feelings which were produced upon the bystanders as this dreadful narration progressed, particularly as the father and mother of the murdered children were obliged to be present. The deepest emotion pervaded the whole audience.—The counsel were so much affected as to be compelled from time to time to suspend the examination, and the poor mother was so convulsed with agony that she was obliged to be supported.