

CHRISTMAS TIMES.

As Christmas is approaching, we give, as usual, for our juvenile friends, a faithful portrait of the manner in which Santa Claus comes to gladden their joyous hearts...



GRAFTING.—An interesting discovery is stated to have been made in France in the engrafting of fruit trees.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

Jean Blanc, of New Orleans, represented to be an agriculturalist of considerable scientific attainments, has secured letters patent from the United States for the discovery of a process of converting thirty different varieties of plants, which grow wild in enormous quantities in various sections of the Union...

Speaking of the prevailing high price of breadstuffs and the immense supplies for exportation which the country is capable of affording, the Buffalo Courier remarks: "There is hardly any limit to our surplus of wheat and corn...

HIGH PRICE FOR HOGS.

Three droves of hogs have passed through this village this week, but the extraordinary high price of seven cents per pound has actually prevented many from buying...

USE OF SALT IN COOKING VEGETABLES.

Here is something everybody ought to have known long ago, and that everybody should now read and remember: If one portion of vegetables be boiled in pure distilled or rain water, and another in water to which a little salt has been added, a decided difference is perceptible in the tenderness of the two.

SOME POTATOES.

We have, upon our table, a small potato of the yam species, grown upon the farm of Mr. J. M. Feaster, of Fairfield district. Its weight, when first dug, was eleven and a half pounds.

A MAMMOTH TURNIP.

An English turnip, weighing 264 pounds, without the top, (which of itself weighed about 10 pounds) was raised this year by Mr. Paul H. Whitcomb, of Ashby, Mass.

BEAUTIFUL EXTRACT—helping a young lady out of a mud-puddle.

When I first came here to settle, about 40 years ago, I told my wife I meant to be rich—she said she did not want to be rich—all she wanted was enough to make her comfortable.

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Notice. ALL persons indebted to us are warned to pay up immediately, or they will find their Notes and Accounts in the hands of an officer for collection.

Notice. ALL persons indebted to the firm of IRWIN, HUGGINS & Co., will find J. F. Irwin or T. D. Gillespie always ready and happy to settle.

Notice. MY Notes and Accounts having been placed in the hands of S. W. Davis, Esq., for collection, those who are indebted to me individually, or as one of the old firm of Steele & Hart, are respectfully requested to make settlement by April Court, if not sooner.

Notice. THE subscriber having bought the entire interest in C. W. Davis, Esq., of his share in the firm of A. B. & Co., he will continue selling his whole Stock of Goods at Cash, strictly for Cash, and invites his customers and the public generally to call and see the Goods.

Notice to Debtors. THE subscriber having entered into partnership with Mr. Palmer, is desirous of closing up his old business, and therefore most earnestly requests his former friends and customers, who are in arrears at his shop, to call between this time and our April Court, to settle their accounts either by note or cash.

Save your Costs! THE Notes and Accounts of the late firm of A. Bethune & Co., has been placed in the hands of S. W. Davis, Esq., for collection and settlement.

BOUNTY LAND BILL. S. W. DAVIS, Attorney & Counsellor at Law, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

FLORIDA LAND AGENCY. THE undersigned has established an agency in the town of Alligator, Columbia County, Fla., for the purchase, sale or location of Bounties, the purchase and sale of lands generally, improved and unimproved.

CARRIAGE SHOP. THE SUBSCRIBER BEGS leave to inform his friends and the public generally, that he is still carrying on the Carriage Making Business in all its various branches.

MECKLENBURG HOUSE, BY S. H. REA. HAVING purchased the building on the corner, a few doors north-east of Kerr's Hotel, and repaired and fitted it up in first-rate style, I would especially inform the travelling public that it is now open for the reception of regular and transient boarders.

RAIL-ROAD HOTEL, CHESTER, S. C. By J. R. NICHOLSON. THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he has purchased the building on the corner of the Chester Depot, and is still open for the reception of regular and transient boarders.

PIANO FORTES. M. R. RAMSEY, of Columbia, S. C., Piano Dealer, is constantly receiving a good supply of Pianos with the LATEST IMPROVEMENTS, which has given them the premium over all others.

NEW BOOKS FOR SALE AT LOWRIE AND ENNIS'S STORE. THE Slave of the Lamp, a Posthumous Novel by William North Nugent, or the first days of the Blood, by an Alexander Dumas.

THE DUTCH HAVE TAKEN HOLLAND. BUT where they have taken it to we don't know, but one thing we do know, that if you want to buy cheap Goods for cash, whether Dry Goods, Boots or Shoes, well made Clothing, Hats or Caps, call at F. W. Ahrens's, formerly Ahrens & Hand, Store next to the Court House, where you will find all kinds of Goods at prices to suit all.

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PRIVATE BOARDING SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, LINCOLN, N. C. Mrs. W. J. ALEXANDER, Principal.

THE Course of Studies will comprise the usual branches of a thorough English education, together with the French language, Music and Drawing. Mrs. ALEXANDER is now prepared to receive Boarders into her family.

A. BETHUNE, TAILOR, No. 5, Springs' Row, 4 DOORS EAST OF THE CHARLOTTE BANK, CHARLOTTE, N. C. Feb. 12, 1855.

MRS. M. SHAW'S MILLINERY BAZAR, AND DRESS MAKING ROOMS. (FOUR DOORS SOUTH OF THE AMERICAN HOTEL.) MRS. SHAW respectfully announces to her numerous friends and patrons, that she has just returned from Charleston, and is now opening a superb assortment of French Millinery, consisting in part of a great variety of Bonnets, rich and elegant Ribbons, Laces, Artificials, Trimmings, &c., to which she invites the attention of the Ladies.

SCARR & CO. CHEMISTS & DRUGGISTS. LATE FISHER & HEINTZSCH, CHARLOTTE, N. C. RESPECTFULLY inform the inhabitants of Charlotte and vicinity, that they have just received a fresh supply of MEDICINES, which are offered with confidence to their approval, regard having been paid to the purity and strength of the Drugs, than to the price.

QUINN & KINZEL. TAKE pleasure in announcing their friends and the public that they have purchased the Bakery and Confectionary Establishment lately kept by E. Longenecker on Main street, 2 doors east of the American Hotel. Mr. Kinzel being an experienced Baker and thorough workman they are prepared to furnish Bread, Cakes and every thing in their line of the most superior description.

CLARENDON IRON WORKS, WILMINGTON, N. C. THE subscriber having purchased the entire interest in the "CLARENDON IRON WORKS," solicits orders for Steam Engines of any power or style, Saw Mills of every variety, Mining Machinery and Pumps, Cranes and Flour Mills, complete sets of Park, Turbine and other Water-wheels, Rice-filling Pumps and Engines, Leavitt's Corn and Cob Crusher, Rice Thrashers, Shingle Machines, Shifting Harrows and Pullies, Cotton Gins and Gearing, Iron Castings of all kinds and patterns, Brass and Copper Castings, Locomotive and Tubular Boilers, Fire and plain Cylinder Boilers, Blacksmith work of all kinds, Iron Doors for Houses and Jails, THE ESTABLISHMENT Having been re-organized for the express purpose of attending punctually to the execution of all orders, the public may rest satisfied that any work which may be ordered will be promptly delivered according to price, and that the workmanship cannot fail to give satisfaction.

BLUE STONE. JUST received a very large lot of Blue Stone at PRITCHARD & CALDWELL'S.

CHILLS AND FEVER. THE following valuable remedies for the above are for sale at PRITCHARD & CALDWELL'S.

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Broad-Street Hotel, RICHMOND, VA. THIS well-known Hotel has been purchased and is now under the control of the undersigned, who has introduced such improvements as make it equal in accommodation and comfort to any hotel in Richmond.

FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE. The Insurance Company of the Valley of Virginia, AT WINCHESTER, VIRGINIA. BRANCH OFFICE, Fourteenth Street, 2d door from the Post Office, RICHMOND, VA. CHARTER PERPETUAL. CAPITAL \$300,000.

MARINE AND INLAND TRANSPORTATION RISKS. Taken on as favorable terms as by any other responsible company, and are promptly and liberally adjusted at this office.

WHEAT MARKET. Springs' Mills. I wish to purchase three or four hundred thousand bushels of good merchantable wheat, for which I will pay the highest cash price.

WATCHES! WATCHES! WATCHES! THE subscribers are now receiving a large stock of WATCHES from the most celebrated makers; also a rich stock of FASHIONABLE JEWELRY, CHAINS, &c., all of which will be sold for cash on short time to punctual dealers.

SPLENDID VARIETY OF LADIES' GAITER BOOTS. RECEIVED this day, consisting of Ladies' Black Silk JULIAN GAITERS, " " " Highland " " " Tan " Julian " " " Cal. Silk Tip " " " Mises' Black and Col. Silk GAITERS, at BOONE'S BOOT & SHOE STORE, Ladies, call and see them. March 2, 1855. 32-1/2

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